

JOHN A. ACKERMAN



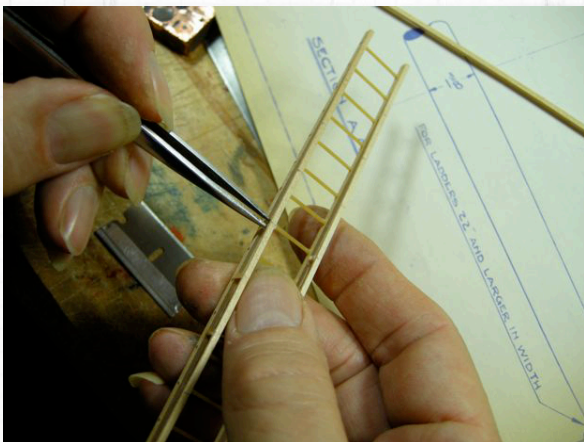
John Ackerman is a noted modelmaker of scale miniature replica fire apparatus and fire stations. He uses the method known as scratchbuilding, creating the models from raw materials. This process requires a blend of engineering and artistic skills.

Encouraged by his dad, John made his first miniature fire truck from raw materials at the age of 9. More than 50 years later, he's still scratchbuilding.



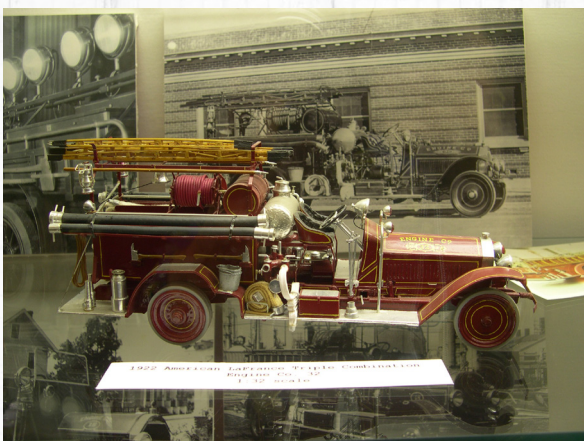
His work has been displayed at numerous model shows around the country. He also has written magazine articles and presented how-to demonstrations on the many facets of scratchbuilding scale replica fire apparatus.

John is among the founding members of the Los Angeles Fire Department Historical Society. He served as chair of various committees and as a member of the Board of Directors. He was an active and instrumental participant in the successful effort to restore Old Fire Station 27 as the LAFD Fire Museum.



His LAFD scale replica models are on permanent display at the Los Angeles Fire Museum.

John is actively retired and lives in Sahuarita, AZ with his wife, Judy, a musician and nurse. Their home is artfully decorated with numerous items from their hobbies and collections.



If you ask him, John will reveal that the secret to achieving realistic-looking scale miniature fire apparatus and fire stations is the correct care and feeding of the elves who sneak into his studio at night to work their magic.

Demonstration Schedule:

First and third Saturdays February-April 10am-4pm at
The Mini-Time Machine Museum of Miniatures
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