

FSM READER GALLERY GUIDELINES

Publishing your photos in *FSM*

FineScale Modeler frequently publishes readers' photos in our print issues. You can submit high-resolution digital images and explanatory text at the [Firecrown Submissions Portal](#) or mail a DVD of your images and text to the address above.

Do you accept photos via email?

We do not accept photos via email because it often compresses images and quality may suffer. Additionally, email clients often have a limit on the size of files they will accept. Photos tend to be large files, and we don't want your Reader Gallery submission to get rejected because email somehow ruined it.

How are your photos chosen for publication?

FSM editors select favorites and submit them to our design department for layout, where designers decide what fits in the allotted pages. Photo quality is our biggest consideration; our photo guidelines are [available here](#). However, please include all of the information on the Text Checklist. If you do not, your submission will be immediately rejected. Also, if your gallery submission does not meet the requirements on the Photo Checklist, it will be rejected.

When will my photos appear in *FSM*?

Assuming your Reader Gallery submission is accepted, it may take six months or more from the time your submission arrives until your photo appears in print — and it's not unusual for images to take much longer to appear. We receive many Reader Gallery submissions, and it takes a while to move through them all. Because space is limited in the print issues, we may, periodically, decide to publish a selection of Reader Gallery images on FineScale.com.

How much will I get paid and when?

FineScale Modeler does not pay for accepted Reader Gallery submissions, whether printed in the magazine or published in a gallery on FineScale.com.

Why are some photos used only online?

The printed magazine requires much higher photo quality than what is acceptable for the website. Accepted photos that do not meet the print quality standards will be considered for publication on FineScale.com before rejection.

What rights does *FSM* obtain to the images?

FSM retains the rights to publish accepted photos in any medium, including but not limited to digital and print.

When you're ready, you can mail your submission to the address above, or upload it via the [Firecrown Media submissions portal](#). If you have any questions, please email editor@finescale.com.

Text Checklist

- ☐ Scale, name, and manufacturer of the model
- ☐ Details about the model (interesting techniques, paint used, modifications, etc.) and your inspiration
- ☐ Your name, hometown, and mailing address (please credit the photographer, if not you)

Photo Checklist

- ☐ Entire subject is shown in the photo
- ☐ Clear focus
- ☐ The model is in good taste and does not depict nudity, profanity, or cruelty