

Rick Raively says **I just love worm holes**

Torby says **Boing! I'm here.**

Rick Raively says **warping across the bit galaxy to other chat rooms**

Torby says **Everybody make the jump?**

cjwalas says **I would like to thank everyone for doing their homework on time!!!!** 😊

Torby says **Anybody not hear, sound off!**

Rick Raively says **I surprise myself in getting it done** 😊

BnEgscale says Homework was fun. What's this about Spain?

cjwalas says **I'm off to Spain for a couple of weeks. Family get together.**

Torby says **Yea. Whatcha gonna do in Spain?** 😊

cjwalas says **This will be the last chat till next year!**

cjwalas says **Not sure, Tom. Fishing seems to be an option.**

cjwalas says **I don't think it would be worth my while to look for trains.** 😞

Rick Raively says **I had two other ideas for Santa**

BnEgscale says Have a great time. Wish I could get to Madrid. We had an exchange student stay with us a few years ago and would love to visit him there.

Torby says **Sounds like a plan. Should I send Luke along to help out?**

cjwalas says **So how does everyone feel about their Santas?**

Torby says **I think they're great!**

Rick Raively says **Santa Ratfink, Santa CW**

Torby says **Bob's is something special. Yolanda rose to the occasion. I've always had a soft spot for Snoopy.**

jlcop says **Better be careful, doesn't Black Peter come from Spain!?** 😊

BnEgscale says I am happy the way mine turned out except that the face was a little wider than I planed.

cjwalas says **He does indeed, JL!** 😊😊 **Maybe that's the real reason I'm going!** 😊

Torby says **Mine is about how I pictured.**

BnEgscale says As always I admire the hair treatment that Y does. Some day I will get a feel for that.

cjwalas says **Mine didn't turn out at all as I had envisioned.**

Ms. pcentral says **I think mine was Ok**

Rick Raively says **Snoopy's nose is a bit longer than what I wanted** 😞

cjwalas says **Let's take a look at them. Who's first?**

jlcop says **fattest figure I've made so far and he still too skinny** 😊

BnEgscale says So did you change by plan or not follow your original idea?

cjwalas says **I changed plans almost immediately after I started!** 😞

BnEgscale says Tom posted first so let's start there.

Ms. pcentral says **ha ha ha, NOW THAT'S FUNNY JL!!!!!!! LOL**

Rick Raively says **bob, at first I thought you made a huge Santa - sitting on the boxcar**

Ms. pcentral says **I NEVER had a plan**

Torby says **I'm always making people of fairly small stature. It was different making a 6 footer.**

cjwalas says **Tom's ; [http://mylargescale.com/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC\\_ID=35380](http://mylargescale.com/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC_ID=35380)**

Rick Raively says **he has an old world style Santa**

Torby says **I did the face a little different. I added some clay for the cheeks and nose.**

cjwalas says Now Santa's still eyeless, is he not?

Torby says In person he has blue eyes. Not sure why they're blank in the photo 🙄

cjwalas says Ah, thanks! I was a little worried there.

Torby says Maybe I should have used a darker blue.

cjwalas says I'm actually most impressed with the toy train! How big is it?

Rick Raively says camera shy eyes?

Torby says I think I need to pick up a new point brush. It's a little hard to do small details lately.

cjwalas says Maybe he was blinking? 🙄

Torby says Maybe he blinked.

cjwalas says Did you have any difficulty with the kneeling pose, Tom?

BnEgyscale says I liked the train also. I was originally going to have Santa holding a train in his hand but decided it would take too long to model the train.

Rick Raively says **WOW, I wanted to try moveable joints, but blinking eyes - never thought of that**

Torby says Yes. The kneeling pose was hard to get tight enough. I figured on having his toes curled under instead of pointing back.

cjwalas says It's not a very easy pose to make look natural and convincing. You did well.

cjwalas says OK, I posted next;

[http://mylargescale.com/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC\\_ID=35379](http://mylargescale.com/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC_ID=35379)

Torby says I always make hands by starting with a mitten and cutting the fingers in.

Torby says As I was starting on the fingers, I realized, "No, I want him to wear mittens!"

Torby says Your eye detail!

cjwalas says I had originally planned to have Santa in RR work duds, sweating away trying to get a Rogue County engine to operate, but I got some emergency weathering jobs over the weekend, so I copped out and just did a regular Santa.

Rick Raively says **He looks most impressed with that steam thingy, the reindeer could be in trouble**

Torby says Hmm. Maybe red railroad garb...

cjwalas says I'm a little disappointed in him as his expression doesn't really say too much.

Rick Raively says **how wide is his head?**

cjwalas says Wait a minute! Didn't JL post first?!?!?

Torby says The way he's looking at the pressure gauge, he's delighted that it's starting to go up.

Torby says I think JL did.

cjwalas says His head is Santa-five inches wide. 🙄

cjwalas says I like seeing the different approaches that we've taken for Santa's fur trim.

Rick Raively says **I am asking because I think my figure heads are skinny and I am thinking of making them wider for more detail**

Torby says I made it whiter than the beard. You made it darker.

cjwalas says If you look closely, you can see that I started making RR gloves!

Rick Raively says **I was thinking they were RR gloves**

Torby says He should be wearing RR gloves running the loco.

cjwalas says **Here's JL's:**

[http://mylargescale.com/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC\\_ID=35377](http://mylargescale.com/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC_ID=35377)

Torby says **He's been working out, I see...**

cjwalas says **Well, JL, this is one of the thinnest Santa's I seen!**

Torby says **Maybe watching his diet.**

BnEgyscale says Tom, think the beard should be whiter than the fur trim because he was tarnished all over from his head to his foot covered with ashes and soot.

Rick Raively says **does the naughty kids get tnt? (Logboy excluded of course)**

cjwalas says **I'm not exactly certain of Santa's pose. Is he giving a thumbs up sign?**

Ms. pcentral says **I thought he looked like those flexible Santas.... The ones that bend any which way**

Torby says **That's why I gave him a dark wash. But I made his beard grayish.**

jlcop says *I was thinking of having him holding a pipe but just left it as his mitten hand*

Torby says **I think he looks like he'd be holding something in his right hand.**

cjwalas says **the two characters look almost as if they're doing the same thing?**

jlcop says *I should have redone his shoulders, he looks too much like a Bachman figure*

Torby says **Maybe he'd be holding his pipe and pointing with his stem making a point.**

Rick Raively says **oops, JL you said the wrong word**

Torby says **Oh. I see what's going on...**

cjwalas says **JL, you need to make a figure using TWICE as much polyclay.** 😊

Rick Raively says **or make two figures and smash them together**

Torby says **The guy is knocking his ashes off into the crate of dynamite, and Santa's attempting to intervene.**

cjwalas says **OK, let's look at Bob's!**

[http://mylargescale.com/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC\\_ID=35381](http://mylargescale.com/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC_ID=35381)

Ms. pcentral says **Maybe 3 times as much JL** 😊😊😊😊

cjwalas says **This is a very nice figure, Bob. definitely one of your best.**

Torby says **Bob's is beautiful!**

Torby says **I was going to put a belt, but it seemed too tight.**

cjwalas says **Your facial definition is improving and it makes a big difference.**

jlcop says *I think Bob's deserves the award for most jolly* 😊

Ms. pcentral says **He looks great!!! Love the face, with the glasses**

Rick Raively says **what scale is the boxcar?**

cjwalas says **The only thing I would say is that he's also a little on the thin side (to be the REAL Santa).**

Rick Raively says **a couple of my cookies will fix that problem Chris**

BnEgyscale says I had a tough time with the mouth. I wanted more of a smile but the mustache killed it. The small train is N Scale.

Torby says **I never quite get fat figures bulked enough. I think it has to do with being a skinny twerp.**

jlcop says *I have the same problem but not the same reason* 😊

Torby says **I think he's laughing. Maybe not quite a ho ho ho, but a deep chuckle.**

cjwalas says **I'm not sure what it is about doing rotund figures, but I agree that it's not as easy as one might think. I found myself tripling the mass on my Santa from what I originally imagined.**

Ms. pcentral says **That's OK Bob, Steve says my Santa is grouchy under his beard and hair**

cjwalas says **Let's do Log Boy's;**

[http://mylargescale.com/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC\\_ID=35386](http://mylargescale.com/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC_ID=35386)

Rick Raively says **oh boy**

cjwalas says **I like the concept, Rick. Snoopy was always a favorite.**

cjwalas says **The finish on the figures is very nice.**

cjwalas says **Are they painted or colored clay?**

Torby says **I'd give him an A for originality. None of the rest of us thought of Snoopy and Woodstock.**

Rick Raively says **its my wife's favorite decoration outside**

Ms. pcentral says **I love Woodstock**

Rick Raively says **painted**

jlcop says *Most original concept, also I think it is harder than it looks to do a well known figure of a cartoon*

Ms. pcentral says **Does he get extra credit for doing 2 figures?**

cjwalas says **Too true, JL! I know a lot of professional sculptors and they all agree that cartoons are the most difficult.**

Rick Raively says **Steve said that I need lights on the house - which btw is 2mm styrene - some guy laser cut it for me 😊**

cjwalas says **Stop trying to give Rick more credit!**

Torby says **(I did 3 if you count the train)**

Rick Raively says **hahaha**

cjwalas says **The difficulty in sculpting cartoons is translating 2 dimensions into 3.**

Rick Raively says **I worked off a picture that I found**

cjwalas says **While most of the best known cartoons have all been translated for toys, etc. that first time is tough!**

cjwalas says **How big are the figures, Rick?**

jlcop says *You have to take a figure that is well known so any error will be picked upon and then make it 3D*

Rick Raively says **Woodstock is 1 inch high , 1 3/4 with the antlers**

Rick Raively says **snoopy is 2 1/2**

cjwalas says **Well, I guess that's all the Santa's then...**

Ms. pcentral says 😞

Torby says **Yo's!**

jlcop says *uh hem ....Y*

cjwalas says **JUST KIDDING!**

[http://mylargescale.com/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC\\_ID=35396](http://mylargescale.com/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC_ID=35396)

cjwalas says **I think this is one of your very best figures, Y.**

cjwalas says **The facial proportions are really great.**

Torby says **And Yolanda's famous hair treatment.**

cjwalas says **Anyone else like to comment?**

Rick Raively says **Nice touch with Santa giving the girl some candy**

cjwalas says **Yes, it's not a look I would go for Santa's hair, but Y makes it work perfectly.**

Rick Raively says **I find it hard to get a figure to stand with only one foot firmly on the ground**

Rick Raively says **I think its a great figure**

Ms. pcentral says **Thanks** 😊

cjwalas says **And with relatively little PINK!**

Torby says **I put pegs in their feet or glue them to something** 😊

BnEgscare says This is one of the best figures she has posted with hands in proportion.

cjwalas says **You've really caught something in the eyes and expression, Y.**

cjwalas says **Very sympathetic.**

Torby says **An artist suggested why I'm having trouble with my paint clumping up on skin.**

Ms. pcentral says **I seriously thought of doing him in PINK!!!!**

cjwalas says **Why's that, Tom?**

Torby says **He said to keep my brush strokes long and the paint thin on the clay.**

Ms. pcentral says **And Santa stands on his own, he is well balanced**

Rick Raively says **I was thinking of doing a Santa Chris but went with Snoopy instead**

cjwalas says **What paint are you using?**

Torby says **So I scraped the skin off of Johnnie, one of my worst and painted him again.**

cjwalas says **Wise choice, Log Boy!** 😊

cjwalas says **Great job, Y!**

Torby says **(My Santa topples over if not for the manger.)**

Torby says **This is some "Delta Cream" from Wal\*Mart.**

Rick Raively says **I only use Americana paint**

Torby says **There's still some clear marks where brush strokes overlapped.**

cjwalas says **If it's old paint, it needs to be shaken a lot first, then a little thinning might help.**

Rick Raively says **Chris, why did you ask if I used colored clay or paint?**

Torby says **Hmm...**

cjwalas says **The color is so well defined and solid.**

Rick Raively says **I only have a couple bars of clay.. Need to buy more - you mention that you squeeze the clay - what are you looking for?**

Rick Raively says **I did spent a lot of time with a tiny brush to clean up the lines between the colors on snoopy, less so on Woodstock**

cjwalas says **I have to turn my computer over to my daughter in a minute (don't ask). Great job everyone! I'm really impressed! Any last questions?**

Torby says **Evening, Dana!**

Torby says **Good night, Chris.**

cjwalas says **Actually, it's the other one, Tom...Zena.**

Torby says **Maybe I'll set a couple of these bottles on my paint mixing car.**

Torby says **Oh. I don't think we've met, Zena.**

cjwalas says **Have a great Holiday season, everyone! I'll see you in the new year!**

Ms. pcentral says **Hey Zena!!!!**

cjwalas says **Zena's the 17 year old.**

Ms. pcentral says **Night Chris**

BnEgyscale says Chris, some of the great fly fishing water is supposed to be in Spain. Take advantage if you can. Enjoy your holiday trip.

Rick Raively says **Hi Zena**

cjwalas says **She says Hi, Y!**

Ms. pcentral says **Happy Christmas, and Merry New Year!!!!!!** 😊😊😊😊😊😊

Rick Raively says **Thanks Chris, enjoy the family time and see ya in 06**

cjwalas says **Best of everything to you all. You**

cjwalas says **are a great bunch!**

cjwalas says **Nite!**

Torby says **Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.**

Jim Francis says **Thanks for all the Great Santa figures gang** 😊😊😊😊😊😊 **Merry Christmas**

Ms. pcentral says **Congrats on your Santa!**

Joe Johnson says **Thanks for the Santas!!!!**

Ms. pcentral says **They all look great**

Ms. pcentral says 😊😊😊😊😊😊😊😊😊😊😊😊

Joe Johnson says **We missed Chris!!!**

Jim Francis says **Drat**

Ms. pcentral says **Yep, When Chris has to go, he's gone!**

Torby says **Yup. He's a victim of Cyber Mutinee!**

Ms. pcentral says **Thanks for all the kind words Joe!**

Ms. pcentral says **oppss missed Joe**

Rick Raively says **Night All, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year**

**Log boy signing off.....**