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Walter Schlueter reports on a successful return for the North Virginia Model Classic, with the American show not having been held for two years

n April 16, 2022, after a two-year absence, the Northern Virginia Chapter of IPMS USA held its first model show since

the COVID-19 pandemic began. All of the vendor tables were sold out and the sellers were reporting brisk business – some said they did as well or better than they had at a model show in Virginia earlier

In addition, our host and sponsor, the Fairfax High School Choral Boosters, did very well and are hence looking forward to next year's show as much as we are. We are very proud of the effort it

took to run a show covering such a wide range of models, with the quality at national level. There were 676 builds spread over 83 categories, 133 contestants and 340 walk-ins with a total attendance of 616.

This year's theme was the Korean War, with numerous entries in this category. Adding greatly were paper models that could give the plastic ones a run for their money, N-gauge train layouts, gorgeous

ship displays and also a children's make-and-take table.

A huge raffle table featured plenty of items to win, plus authors such as Dana Bell and Aaron Hamilton were happy to discuss their work and sign autographs for people purchasing their books.

Next year's show will be planned as soon as we have caught our breath, so stay tuned. If you want to learn more, please see our website: www.novaipms.org

As always, pictures can tell more than words. So without further ado, here is a selection of photos taken at our show!

Walter Schlueter





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