

BATTLE WOUNDS

A beautifully painted model atop an equally stunning terrain table will stop a person in mid-step. Drawn like a moth to flame, the eyes move closer, the mouth begins to fall, perhaps a drop from uncontrolled salivation forms — there may be a Pavlovian experiment here. Pristine upon the 4-foot-square battlefield, our models' action hero auras declare to our opponents they can't be touched, nicked, hurt, slammed, or bled. There is no history of fighting.

Let's go another way.

Give your model the look of an action hero that took a hit, got cut, bruised, and bloody. We're going to storm the Nakatomi building in this article and show you a few tips that'll transform your pretty boys into the types not taken home for dinner.

Find yourself a pretty model, paint one, or kidnap a friend's favorite. My beast du jour: the Dire Troll Bomber.

