

## 11. Nicholas Kalis' Tropical Plantings



Cane stalks on the rail car, palms in the background and scores of lush, tropical plants in the foreground. Nick says one look at the clear pouch these plastic plants came in and “you would not be faulted for dismissing them as child-like toys worthy only of a juvenile diorama.” However, paint these plants, he says, and they look spectacular. Nick says he sprayed the plants with a matte finish then hand painted each with a mixture of three paints – yellow, green and bright green acrylic. He has used 500 of them on his Oahu Sugar Company Fn3 layout. They come in packages of 100 from Amazon (<https://tinyurl.com/33f2a9k3>).

*Nicholas Kalis*