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5 Small Businesses That Are Making Tabletop Games Popular Again

Tabletop games have regained noticeable popularity in recent years, and the trend is projected to continue to grow between 7% and 11% until 2030.

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Board games are experiencing a resurgence. Entrepreneurs are leveraging the trend with quirky, sweet, and even eerie games to help friends, families, and strangers connect. — Getty Images/Fiordaliso



their games as much as gameplay. Their mission is to make immersive social games that don't look like anything else on your table.

CMYK's collection includes their debut game, *Monikers*, dubbed "the perfect party game" by *The New York Times*; a game-show-style board game, *Wavelength*, that begs participants to be telepathic; and *Daybreak*, a cooperative game that enlists players to find solutions to the climate crisis.

The *Fuzzies* involves building a tower of little felt balls, *Lacuna* is a two-person game with the objective of connecting and collecting the most flowers, and *Spots* is a dice game inspired by Christoph Niemann's "Faites Vos Jeux" visual pun. It's safe to say that CMYK wants to be the producer of the prettiest board games.

Resonym

Game designer, digital artist, and professor Mary Flanagan is the founder of **Resonym**, a New Hampshire-based tabletop game publisher committed to inclusivity and being socially conscious. Using a small team of artists, testers, and administrative professionals, everything is created in-house with the help of many collaborators.

Resonym has a lineup of both board games and card games with a variety of themes that's continued to grow since 2012. *Buffalo: The Name Dropping Game* has everyone at the table name prominent people and celebrities that match a particular description as fast as they can.

Another card game, *Awkward Moment*, has players submit embarrassing scenarios to "the decider" every round, with the goal of getting the winning reaction.