

Materials and tools for building a puppet.

If you want to supply your own materials you will need the following things:

For head:

newspaper paper, masking tape, brown paper bags, papermaché: mix of 1/2 water and 1/2 of white glue, a brush

For neck: 1 1/8" dowel, 2 1/2" long with 3/8" hole through the center all the way through

For piece that controls head: 5/16" dowel, 4.5" long / 3/4" dowel, 4" long with 3/8" hole in center about 1 1/2" deep

For shoulder: 1 piece of wood 1/4" thick, 5" long, 2" wide, with 3/8" hole in center 1 piece of foam 1/2" thick, 5" long, 2" wide 2 pieces of string, 4" long

For arms: 2 dowels for lower arm 3/8" x 9 1/2" long, 2 dowels for upper arm 3/8" x 4" long, string" ***the string should be a strong cotton string that fits through a 5/32 hole.

For hands:

2 pieces of strong cardboard (but still able to be cut and bent), each 5" x 6", wire (strong but still bends easily), wire cutter, newspaper, masking tape, papermaché

For fabric body: Piece of fabric, 45" x 60" (for fabric circle 45" in diameter) Fabric has to drape well, stiff fabric does not work(!)

Tools you need:

band saw, drill, one drillbit 3/8" and one drillbit 1/8", glue gun, glue sticks, scissors, container for papermaché, brush, measure, marker, wire cutter, pliers

Sandglass Theater can supply you with a building kit if you are not familiar or uncomfortable with power tools. Here is what the building kit contains:

one neck piece , one head control piece, one shoulder piece, arm pieces, fabric for body. All pieces are cut with holes drilled where needed, except for the fabric for which you will only need

scissors.

What you will need in addition to the kit:

glue gun, glue sticks, scissors, measure, newspaper paper, brown paper bags, masking tape, white glue and water for papermaché and a container to hold the papermaché, a brush, a marker, 2 pieces of strong cardboard 5" x 6" each (still able to be cut or bent), strong wire that is not too thin but still bends easily, wire cutter, pliers.