

Spring Time Making Activities from Chomp at Fabrica Re-Cycle - Up-Cycle

Hello, this is Helen – I'm an artist from Chomp at Fabrica,

Below you can see pictures and instructions of ways to begin making your own puppet.

If you have your own ideas of something else you would like to make then that's great too - go for it! We'd love to see what you make. Details of how to share your creations can be found below.

CHILDREN TO BE SUPERVISED AT ALL TIMES WHEN USING MATERIALS PROVIDED

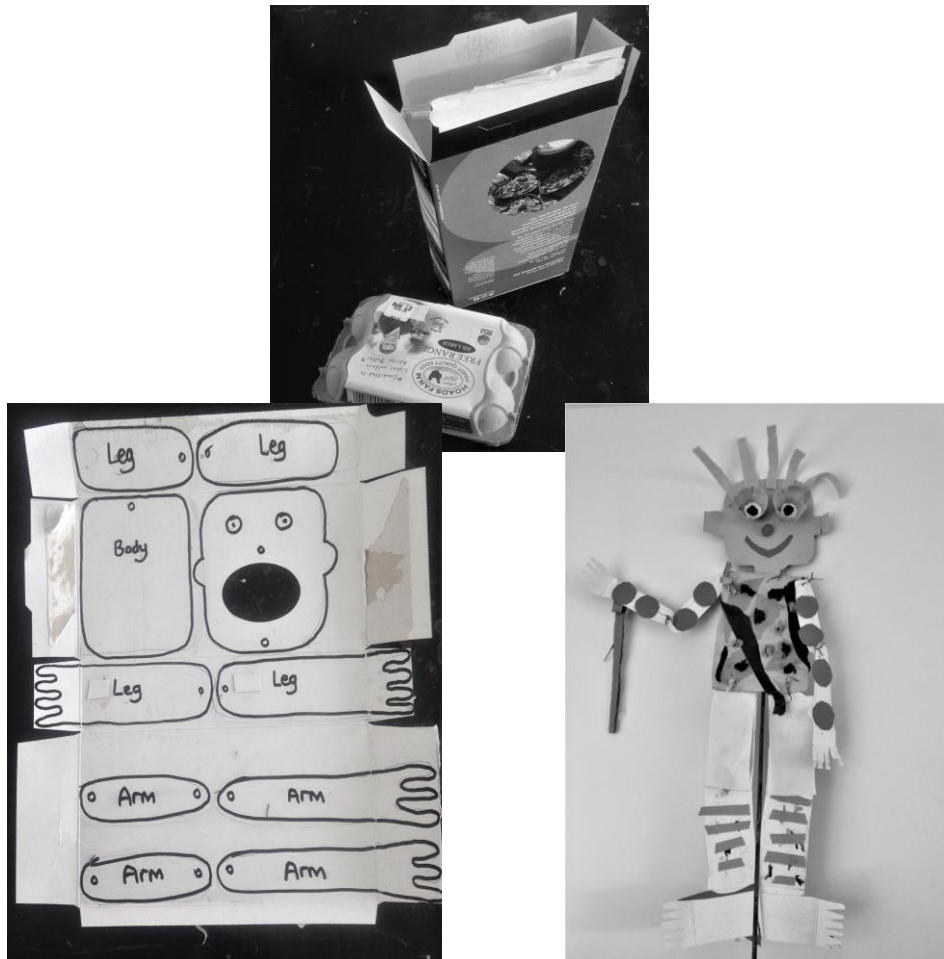
Puppet Making and an added extra something...

Materials – an old cereal box or similar, egg box, scissors, glue, pen, pencil.

A simple glue recipe – a dessert spoonful of flour with only a few drops of water added to create a thick gluey paste

1. Open the cereal packet, draw out the shape of the arms legs, body and head. Cut out all the shapes.
2. With a sharp pencil carefully make a hole in the areas where the knee and elbow joints go.
3. A good tip is to use a piece of thick card underneath where you make the hole. This will protect any surfaces or the carpet when you make the holes.
4. To attach the joints, use string or garden wire. You can also make your own type of thread by using a long thin strip of newspaper, twist it tightly until thin. This is very strong and can be used to thread the joints but also good to make hair, weave with and all kinds of other things.
5. Thread the string, wire or paper thread through the hole and twist or tie a knot. Not too tight so the joints move.
6. If you have an egg carton, look at it for all the amazing shapes, the area where eggs sit make great eyes and there are some good nose type shapes too. Or you can create your own wonderful shapes and designs with bits of leftover cardboard from the cereal packet.

7. Attach the stick firmly to the back of the puppet so you are able to hold it. Decorate any way you wish.



You can find video instructions for this make on the Fabrica Youtube Channel or follow us @fabricagallery

We'd really love to see what you make. If you would like to share your creations with us then please tag your creation with [#fabricaconnect](#) on social media, send us a direct message or email us at communities@fabrica.org.uk – we'd love any feedback you might have too.

AN ADDED EXTRA!

During May and June we are running a project called **Quiet Revelations** which invites everyone to create a drawing, painting or some writing of your experience of lockdown. If you would like to share it as part of what will be an online exhibition then keep an eye on quiet.fabrica.org.uk and social media to keep up to date with the project launch and find out details on how you can be involved. Don't forget to tag your work with **#quietrevelations**

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