



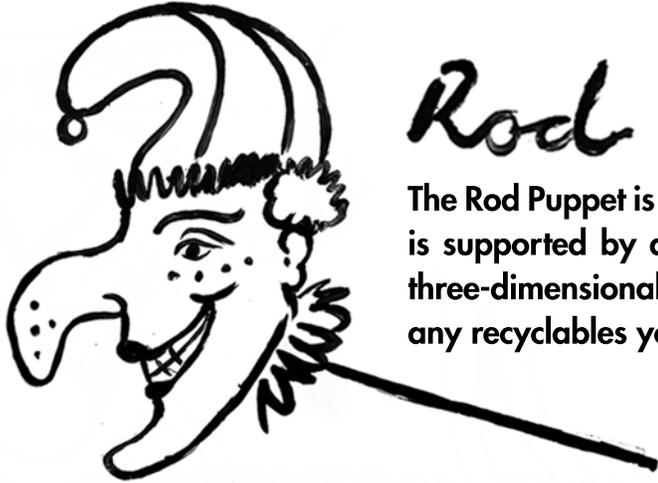
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Recycled Puppets Inspired by Pablo Cano

Born in Cuba, Pablo has made and performed puppets since childhood. Inspired by the Dada art movement and the assemblage of objects in Constructivism and Cubism, Pablo finds the beauty in the reuse of everyday discarded objects, turning trash into treasured puppets! Create your own puppets using Pablo's work and this guide as inspiration, then cut out your own magical puppet stage for them to perform inside of! Send us photos of videos of your puppets performing so we can share them on social media!

Use recycled materials and objects you don't need anymore from around your house to create the different kinds of puppets below!



Rod Puppet

The Rod Puppet is also known as a stick puppet, because the puppet is supported by a stick. This kind of puppet can either be flat or three-dimensional and can be made of cardboard, paper, plastic or any recyclables you can keep support with a stick!

Hand Puppet

Hand puppets are puppets that you can put your hand inside of to animate them with your own movements! To make your own you can use paper bags, old socks or gloves as a base and decorate them with recycled objects to make your own eyes, mouth, nose, ears... even arms and outfits!



Shadow Puppet

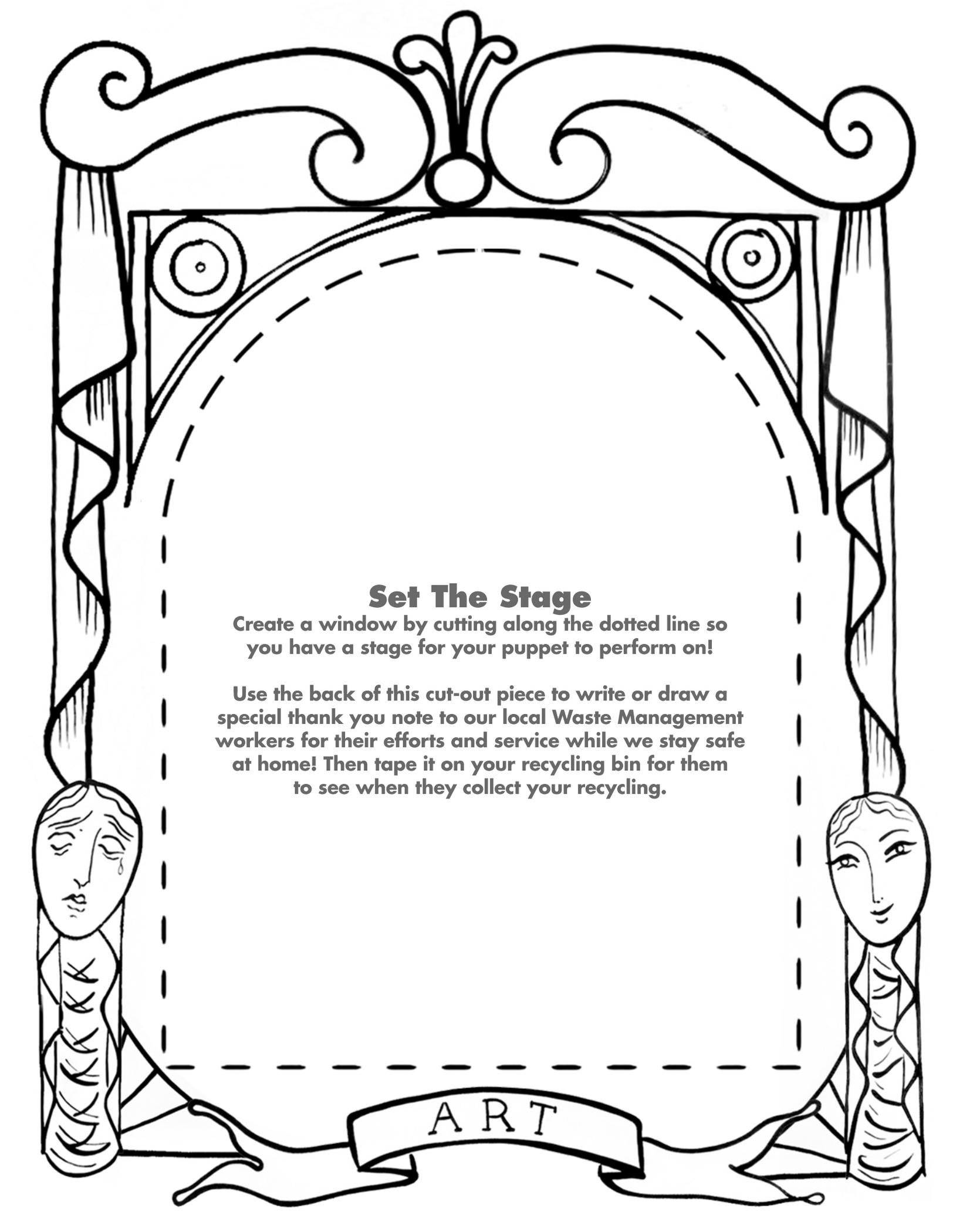
Shadow puppets are flat puppets that can be put in front of a strong light to create a large shadow behind them. Draw the outline of a 2-dimensional creature, character or imaginary friend on thick paper, cardboard or anything light cannot shine through... then cut it out! Shine a flashlight or light from cell phone at it to project a shadow on the wall, a light colored sheet or another piece of paper.



marionette

Marionettes are more advanced puppets that have movable features that you can control by attaching strings to them and moving them from above. To make this kind of puppet you can create a head, arms, legs, feet and multiple sections and tie strings around them, attach the strings to sticks and let the puppet hang and be animated as you move each stick.





Set The Stage

Create a window by cutting along the dotted line so you have a stage for your puppet to perform on!

Use the back of this cut-out piece to write or draw a special thank you note to our local Waste Management workers for their efforts and service while we stay safe at home! Then tape it on your recycling bin for them to see when they collect your recycling.

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