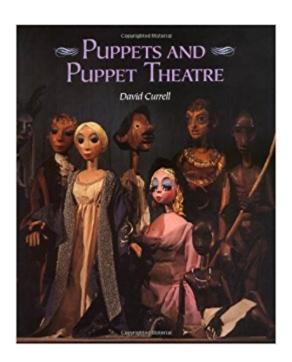
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# **Puppets And Puppet Theatre**





## **Synopsis**

Puppets and Puppet Theatre contains everything one needs to know to progress from a beginner's level to a high standard of artistry. Puppeteer David Currell concentrates on designing, making, and performing with the main types of puppets, offering detailed information on the nature and heritage of puppet theater; the anatomy of a puppet and its design and structure; materials and methods for sculpting, modeling, and casting puppet parts; step-by-step instructions for constructing marionettes as well as glove, hand, rod, and shadow puppets; and the control and manipulation of all these types of puppets. The author then covers staging principles and construction methods; principles of lighting and sound; and the basics of producing a show. Lavishly illustrated and filled with expert tips and insights, this is a must-have book for anyone drawn to the magical world of puppets and puppet theater.

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This book tells you everything you need to know about how to do a puppet show. If you are interested in puppetry, even just a little bit, get this book right away. Hint: if you want to use latex to make a hand puppet, sculpt the head with a open mouth.

This book is good for beginner puppeteers as well as for professional puppet makers. It is full of photographs and ideas, from puppet construction to theater and performance. Is one of those rare books that contains a great amount of useful information.

This is a book for professional and seriuous amateurs who want to improve their technical skills about puppet design, stages, and perfomances. Sharing the experience of excelent puppetters, with excelent photos and diagrams. Also is a very well design book, hardcover and sharp quality book. We strongly recommend it, it is one of the most complete and easy to read book we had seen.

The scope of this instructional textbook ranges from puppet craftsmanship to the technical aspects of production. Essentially, readers will be prepared to consider all pertinent aspects of the puppet making and puppetory theater production processes, and thereby will avoid many mistakes along the way by reading this helpful book. If you do judge a book by its cover and appearance to some extent - like this reviewer - you won't be disappointed. The pictures used are exquisite, and will assuredly pique the interests of the interested even further. Aesthetically, this work is quite pleasing. While the intended scope of this book wasn't fine art criticism and appreciation, it wouldn't have hurt to have included some of each. The photos of puppetory productions used point conclusively to an author who has likely mastered these loftier concepts. To close the circle, some commentary about why certain productions have excelled would have been welcomed, as opposed to discussing only technical pitfalls. Unlike presentational theater, puppetry is far more technical in nature, but it is a fine art medium also and more of its practitioners should have the initiative to promote it as such. One of the best primers currently available, but it begs for a new edition.

It is really a great book with a lot of useful instructions, ideas and pictures. Although it's not so contemporary and the technique have improved a lot - specially in the territory of light and sound - it is still very useful! I definitely recommend it to anybody, who is interested about puppetry and about how to create a puppetry show. I'd say, mainly directors can learn from it.

Very fun! How-To book. Take a look at the cover photograph and you'll get a great idea of the good things this book has to offer. Tells you how to craft the marionette, instructions on how to produce a program. The photographs in the book are inspirational. Good for beginner as well as professional puppeteers.

This book gives you everything you need to craft a variety of puppets, from simple hand puppets to intricate Marionettes of various sizes.

I find it a very good guiding book. Many pictures and illustrations for many puppetsâ ™ related

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