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Paper Puppet Palooza



Synopsis

Even today, with the proliferation of fancy electronics, computers, and video games, people are still enchanted by the simple, funny movement created by a flat, two-dimensional paper puppet; they are automatically, and inherently, amusing. This book teaches readers how to make a wide variety of moveable paper puppets, charming toys, and novel, artful gifts. The projects are beautiful, magical, whimsical and will appeal to readers with many different craft interests. There is something very childlike about puppets, yet they are not easily dismissed into something strictly "for children". Paper puppets are versatile, easy to make, and can be used with many types of artwork such as on cards or in shadow boxes.

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Customer Reviews

I purchased this book after buying the authors wonderfully whimsical paperdolls on ETSY. I'm an illustrator and have always loved making paper dolls and would like to create some to sell that can serve as wall ornamentation. This book helped me to figure out how I can do this, for those looking to make paper dolls from the author's designs, she offers her own designs in the book for the hobbyist to cut out and create. Paper dolls are coming in to their own and I am busy working on some designs now. I think this book offers more info on how to construct a doll so they move mechanically and well. I'd suggest all art doll creators, teachers, animation teachers, illustrators invest in this book if they want to animate their hand drawn characters or get their students involved in construction of 2-D characters that can move. Suzanne Urban[...]Paper Puppet Palooza: Techniques for Making Moveable Art Figures and Paper Dolls

How we love this book! Crankbunny's off-beat sense of humor shows on every page of this book. That alone makes it worth purchasing, but the instructions and illustrations are also very clear and clever. Turns out, paper puppet making isn't all that difficult or expensive, but newbies will benefit from the confidence and encouragement this book provides. Instructions include basic paper puppets with just a few joints, puppets with moving mouths, shadow puppets, puppets with pull tabs and even gift cards containing puppets or other movable parts. Two big bonuses - both the front and back cover flaps include a full color, heavyweight, glossy puppet template for you to put together and play with while you dream up your own puppet characters. What fun!

The artwork in this book is fantastic! It is like taking a tour through a magical kingdom, where fantasy and reality meet. Norma V. Toraya has provided templates that can be copied onto cardstock, colored, cut, and assembled into fully working puppets - there's even 2 gorgeous puppets that are ready to cut and assemble. However, a skilled artist could use the techniques provided to create original puppets. The materials are easily available in any art and/or crafts store. I highly recommend this book to school teachers, artists, doll makers, animators, and anyone who enjoys dramatics.

Beautiful Art and a Beautiful Book! I enjoy this book and feel inspired to create my own characters. The author has wonderful stories for each of her paper people and offers tips for your own inspiration. This book offers detailed yet simple directions and even patterns. I bought it with the idea of making a moveable paper doll for a Christmas card and this book makes the idea attainable. If you're interested in paper crafting this is an excellent book to add to your collection and you'll use it for reference over and over again.

This book is Amazing, such an inspirational book filled with artful eye candy, simple instructions, and templates. Its a must have for any art library! Magic and Joy! Lisa!

Easy to follow instructions, includes templates for projects, a couple of ready to make templates and resource list. The wonderful graphics inspire AND make you smile! One of the best art books I've purchased. Paper Puppet Palooza is definitely a keeper!

I was looking for a couple of solutions to puppets projects I was working on when I ordered this

book. I was pleased because I found ideas that helped me figure out what I was trying to figure out. I appreciate the details in how to do so many of the examples in the book. Plus, it has ideas that are new to me and that is exciting.

I love this book! Outstanding art work and ideas. Very good templates and instructions. Easy to follow and a good jump off place for your own ideas. Great for movable figures to use on cards, altered work, stages, atc and just about any thing you can think up. I scanned the templates on my computer and printed out on heavy paper rather than cut up my book. This is a really great book.

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