

Puppet Details

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This puppet will be used for the Dyke March on June 8, 2001. The march takes place at 7:00 PM at Copley Sq.

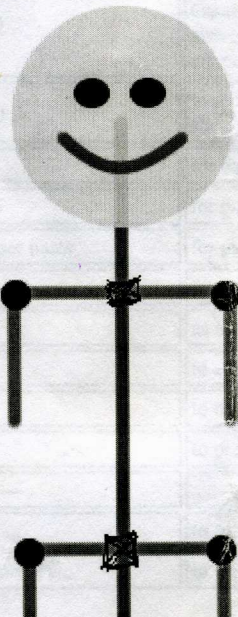
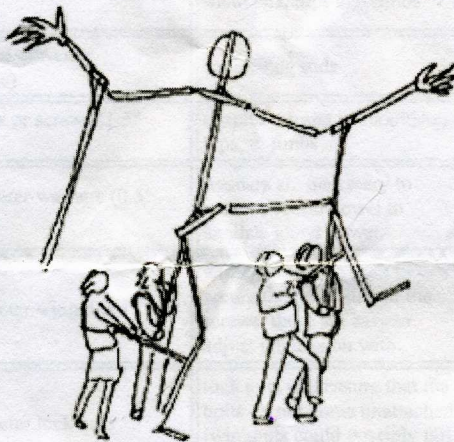
This page will be used to describe the plans for constructing the puppet.

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Diagrams:

This picture is from: [The Puppeteers' Cooperative](#)

This will be the basic structure for our puppet.



And this is Bobby.

Bobby helps us to see where we will need the different materials.

The brown pieces are dowels: the body should probably be a 3/4" diameter, and the limbs should be 1/4" diameter, or heavy wire (3-5 gauge).

The black dots are the hinges. They can either be bolts with washers & nuts that aren't screwed tight, or pieces of thin wire (20 gauge) that extend through the limbs and are twisted on either side.

These boxes represent wires that have been twisted around the attaching pieces. This could be in addition to a single bolt that goes through the dowels.

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Material List:

| Item Identifier (#) | Item Quantity | Item Description | Function | Cost (per item) | Total Cost (per line) |
|---------------------|---------------|---|--|-----------------|-----------------------|
| 1. | 1 | 3/4" diameter wood dowel (usually 6' long) | spine - for center of body | \$3.00 | \$3.00 |
| 2. | 2 | 1/4" diameter wood dowels (usually 6' long) | shoulders, hips and limbs | \$3.00 | \$6.00 |
| 3. | 4 | 1/2" diameter wood dowels (as long as possible) | controlling rods | \$3.00 | \$12.00 |
| 4. | 12 | 1/8" diameter bolts or screws (1.5" long) | attaching spine to shoulders, hips, & limbs | \$0.50 | \$6.00 |
| 5. | 12 | 1/8" internal diameter washers (0.5" external diameter) | washers are necessary to attach a round dowel to another round dowel. | \$0.25 | \$3.00 |
| 6. | 12 | 1/8" internal diameter wingnuts | wingnuts will be used to secure the other side of the screws. these are easy to adjust the tension with. | \$0.25 | \$3.00 |
| 7. | 12 | 1/8" internal diameter lock nuts | lock nuts will ensure that the bolts do not come unattached (wingnuts could possibly fall off) | \$0.33 | \$4.00 |
| 8. | 1 | box of nails (various sizes) | to attach dowels together | \$3.00 | \$3.00 |
| 9. | 1 | box of staples (for staple gun) | to attach clothes to puppet | \$3.00 | \$3.00 |
| 10. | 1 spool | 6 gauge wire (thick) | to use as limbs if dowels are unsuccessful, also to use as hinges if bolts are unsuccessful | \$4.00 | \$4.00 |
| 11. | 1 spool | 18 gauge wire (thin) | to secure spine and limbs to shoulders and hips | \$4.00 | \$4.00 |
| 12. | 1 | bag of balloons | for base beneath paper mache | \$2.00 | \$2.00 |
| 13. | 1 | gallon of white glue | for paper mache mix | \$7.00 | \$7.00 |
| 14. | 1 | container of wallpaper paste | for paper mache mix | \$5.00 | \$5.00 |
| 15. | 1 | container of corn starch | for paper mache mix | \$2.00 | \$2.00 |
| 16. | 1 | roll of duct tape | as a backup adhesive | \$4.00 | \$4.00 |
| 17. | 1 | roll of clear tape | to attach decorations | \$4.00 | \$4.00 |
| 18. | 1 | package of clay | to mold the face | \$8.00 | \$8.00 |
| 19. | 1 | roll of plastic wrap | to protect clay | \$2.00 | \$2.00 |
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| 20. | 2 | spools of thread | to sew the clothes | \$3.00 | \$6.00 |
| 21. | 7 yds. | fabrics - denim, colored, etc. | to dress the puppet | \$6.00/yd | \$42.00 |

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| 22. | 1 | book of colored construction paper | to decorate the puppet | \$4.00 | \$4.00 |
| 23. | 1 | head of hair | the puppet can't be bald! | \$?? | \$?? |
| 24. | 1 | set of acrylic paints | to decorate the puppet | \$18.00 | \$18.00 |
| 25. | 3 | bags of stuffing | to fill the clothes | \$3.00 | \$9.00 |
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| 26. | some | cardboard | for decorations | free | free |
| 27. | 2 | stacks of newspaper and brown bags | for paper mache | free | free |
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| TOTAL | | Total cost is | approximately | \$150 | \$164 |

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Tools

1. Screwdrivers
2. Staple gun
3. Hammer
4. Drill
5. Drill bits
6. Vice grips
7. Wire cutters
8. Scissors
9. Sewing Machine
10. Water
11. Bucket
12. Mixing sticks
13. Sponges
14. Paper Towels

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Links

<http://www.butchdykeboy.com/dykemarch/>

Random paper mache links:

<http://www.homeschoolzone.com/pp/crafts/papermache.htm>

<http://home.att.net/~patlmesser/recipes.htm>

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