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# Puppet Theatre (Crafts And Family Activities)



## Synopsis

With wit and ingenuity, Maija Baric shows how to transform wooden spoons, pieces of string, holey socks, outgrown clothes and other scrap materials into beautiful, durable, and functional theatrical puppets. When your puppets are ready to perform, discover how you can bring them to life. You'll learn to build staging, scenery, and props and how to create sound effects and devise performances. Your puppet creations will bring real magic into the everyday world. Use them to transform storytelling at home or in the classroom; ease children's bedtime rituals; and make a birthday and other occasion truly special. This is a great activity with your children, who will certainly want to create characters and stories of their own. Contents: Puppets Made of Objects Finger Puppets Hand Puppets Tabletop Theater Peek-a-Boo Puppets Hand and knee Theater Outdoor Puppeteering Paper Theater Potato Theater Rod Puppets Marionettes Shadow Theater

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## Customer Reviews

Maija Baric studied puppetry at the Prague Academy of Performing Arts and is the artistic director of Nukketeatteri Sampo (Puppet Theater Sampo), a professional theater company based in Helsinki and founded in 1977 by Maija and Bojan Baric. She leads courses in puppetry, directs and performs puppet shows, and designs and creates theatrical puppets. Kristiina Louhi (b. 1950) is one of the most popular illustrators in Finland. For many years Louhi has brought to life space bunnies, giants, trolls, princesses, and many other memorable characters that generally reflect the spirit of her home

country of Finland. The celebrated children's book illustrator has produced numerous books, including Aino and Tomppa, which have been translated into ten languages.

Very nice book with clear instructions on how to create your puppets and much more. We love to use this book with our children.

This book gives you ideas but not a lot of how to's. No templates or measurements but some step by steps. There are some nice things made out of stuff you really don't have around the house. Fun to read though.

This beautifully illustrated book is filled with creative ways to make puppets and puppet stages out of almost anything. Stockings, socks, vegetables, old rags, egg shells...a wide assortment of items are used to create the characters needed for hours of fun storytelling entertainment. This would be a wonderful resource for the classroom or homeschool, inspiring students to use their imaginations in creating stories & the puppets to go along with them. It is not a storybook itself, but merely instructs the reader in how to go about creating various puppets and puppet stages; as such, it would be more appropriate for the upper elementary or "middle-aged" children. Still, the pictures are beautiful to look at, even for emergent readers, and could spark creativity in and of themselves. I'm certainly glad this book was brought to us from Finland!

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