
MELISSA PERRY

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Profile

Well rounded artist who is always willing to learn more. A self-starter who is able to work alone and enjoys collaborating with a group. Excellent with time management and solves problems with creativity.

Experience

Freelance Puppet and Prop Maker; Echo Park — 2022-2023

Created props for an independent stop motion animation using a variety of materials. Created a hand and rod puppet from scratch for an online children's show.

Assistant Puppet Fabricator, Apt. D; Burbank — 2021

Assisted with making a stop-motion puppet for Cartoon Network's Middlemost Post. Made wire armatures. Sculpted the arms, hands, and feet. Assisted with making molds.

Puppet Fabricator, Viva La Puppet; Los Angeles — 2021

Created baboon puppet for Meta commercial. Used dowel rods and connected the body for hand/rod puppet. Carved the head, body, and hands with foam then added texture with paper clay.

Puppet Fabricator, Buck Design; Los Angeles — 2021

Worked closely with lead fabricator to create three stop-motion puppets and props for a series of Cricket Wireless commercials. Cleaned and maintained Elegoo Mars 3D printers. Made wire armatures, washed, sanded, and primed 3D prints for painting.

Education

Sketch to Screen Puppet Design, Aardman Academy, Zoom Class — 2020

Artist Intern for Tom Hester, North Hollywood — 2018-2019

Making + Meaning, SCIA, Los Angeles — 2016

BFA in Studio Art, University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond, OK — 2013

Skills

I have a strong artistic skill set in drawing, painting, and sculpture. Working with a variety of media and scale are my favorite challenges. I have also worked in restaurants for years. I'm able to multitask and work hard as a good team player.
