

Jodie Yates

Puppet designer/maker

Working across Theatre, Film and Tv

Skills

Puppet design
Puppeteering
Clay sculpting
Foam sculpting
Pattern making
Pattern sticking Joint making
Mechanisms
Skrimming
Thermoplastic sculpting
Sewing
Painting
Rendering

I am a puppet maker with additional experience working across scenic painting, construction, model making, costume sewing and sculpting. I therefore have a range of skills which I continue to utilize within my ever-growing puppet making portfolio. I approach every project with a logical and creative outlook and am always eager to learn new skills and methods. Within puppet making I understand the importance of precision and neatness to create both strong and beautiful puppets both in their movement and aesthetics.

RWCMD Experience

Puppet Designer / Maker | *The Book of Dust* by Philip Pullman and Bryony Lavery
December 2022 – Director: Zoe Templeman-Young

Puppet Designer / Maker / Puppeteer | *Now and Then* Devised performance
June 2022

Puppet Designer / Maker / Puppeteer | *Puppet Perspectives*
May-July 2021 – Director: Lucy Hall

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Education

Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama |
Design for Performance
2020-23

University of the Arts London | Art Foundation Course
2019-2020

A-levels | Art A*, Photography A, Psychology A
2017-2019

GCSEs | English Lit 8 (A*), English Lang 8 (A*),
Maths 9 (A**), Art A, History A, Music A, Biology A,
Physics A*, Chemistry

Professional Experience

The BFG – Puppet maker | Co-puppet designer/director: Toby Olié, Co-designers and co-supervisors: Daisy Beattie, Seb Mayer
July 2025 – ongoing

The Enormous Crocodile – Puppet maker | Co-puppet designer/director: Toby Olié, Co-designer and co-supervisor: Daisy Beattie, co-supervisor: Seb Mayer
July 2025

Arian – Puppet designer and maker | Future of Fauna – festival walk about company
May – August 2025

Maker/Sculptor | *Bran's Foot and Cauldron of Rebirth*, NONaffArt
August 2024 – October 2024 – Cwmcarn Forest, Wales

Puppetry and storytelling workshops | Various Primary Schools
January 2024-Ongoing – Cardiff

Reference Puppet making | Practic Creations
Prehistoric planet: Ice Age
June 2023, September 2023 – CALDICOT

Puppet designer / Maker | On The Common Theatre Co.
– *Reflections on Love*
February 2022 – The George Tavern, LONDON