

Dramatic Arts

Puppetry Project

DUE DATE: _____

WORTH 50 POINTS

You will be graded on two things: the puppet *itself* and the puppet *show*. You will be given four class days to work on creating your puppet and practicing your show, however it is very likely you will need to spend time outside of class on finishing touches.

The Puppet Show

- You can create a one-person show or work with *one* partner.
- You will be performing your show on a puppet stage, so the audience cannot see your body. Your body will be hidden behind a black curtain and only your puppets will be seen.
- You should decide what your puppet show will be about *before* you create your puppet/puppets.
- You can read from a script or memorize your puppet show script.
- You can use music in your shows if you wish.
- Give your puppet life! A believable puppet is more than just a mouth that opens and closes.
- Practice your puppet show! The first time you perform it *should not* be on the day they are due.
- The puppet show should be a minimum of 3 minutes long but not more than 10 minutes.
- You can make props or set pieces if you need to for your show, but they are not required. Remember: you are being graded on your puppet and your puppet show.
- Create a show that will entertain us. It can be serious or funny, but should keep us interested.

The Puppet

- You must make a minimum of one homemade puppet performer.
- Your puppet should have a face of some sort.
- It can be an animal, a person or a creature of your own creation.
- Use your imagination and be creative!
- Make your puppet three-dimensional using supplies available in class (i.e. felt,, buttons, wiggle eyes....) Don't *just* color them.
- Show good effort on your creation. The puppet should not appear sloppy or rushed. (I can tell if you just threw something together.)
- You can create more than one puppet if you need to for your show.
- Please do not hog supplies, there are several classes who need to use them.
- Have fun with your creation!!

