

Role Profile

Job Title : **Trainee Puppet Maker**
Department : **Puppet Department**

Function of the department/section& main purpose of the role:

Working as part of a team to produce puppets for Aardman's stop motion features & broadcast productions.

Duties & Responsibilities:

- Training to & performing a wide variety of basic modelmaking processes whilst under the supervision of more senior members of the department.
 - These processes may frequently involve repetitive tasks to produce large volumes of multiple pieces such as casting & finishing Fastcast & silicone items.
 - Responsible for following all COSHH guidelines & the production risk assessment, observing the provision of the Health and Safety at work policy.
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Responsible to: Department Team Leaders, HOD & Production Manager.

Person Specification (essential and desirable background, skills and experience)

- No previous experience in puppet making necessary but should be able to demonstrate potential ability in the field of modelmaking through appropriate work done as part of a higher education course or for own interest.
- Any previous work shown should simply demonstrate a high level of general creative & craft ability. It is useful, but not necessary to have previously made any actual puppets.
- Strong interest in learning to acquire the craft skills of puppet building to a high standard.
- Enthusiastic about problem solving & finding out how things work.
- Strong listening & communication skills.
- Flexible & proactive team player with the ability to work calmly under pressure & respond to deadlines set by their team leader.
- Good IT skills including Photoshop, Excel, Solidworks & other Cad programmes useful.