

# —Self Portrait Puppets—

Create your own self portrait paper bag puppets to go with your favorite season or a family of all the seasons.



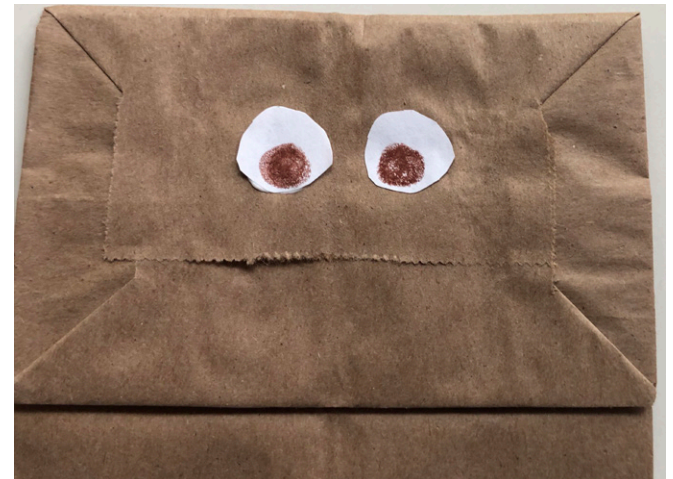
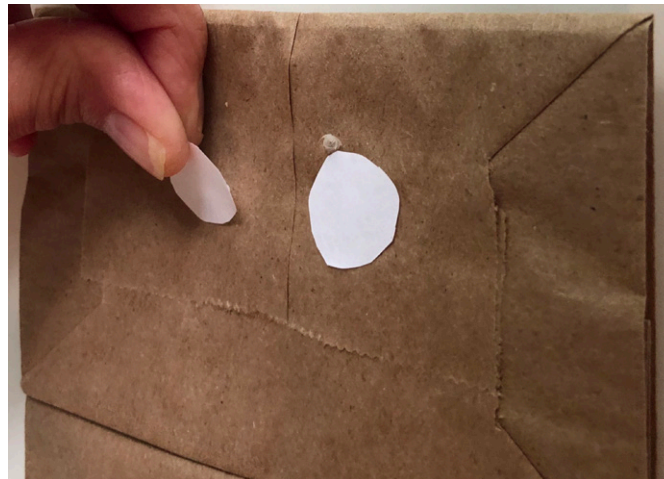
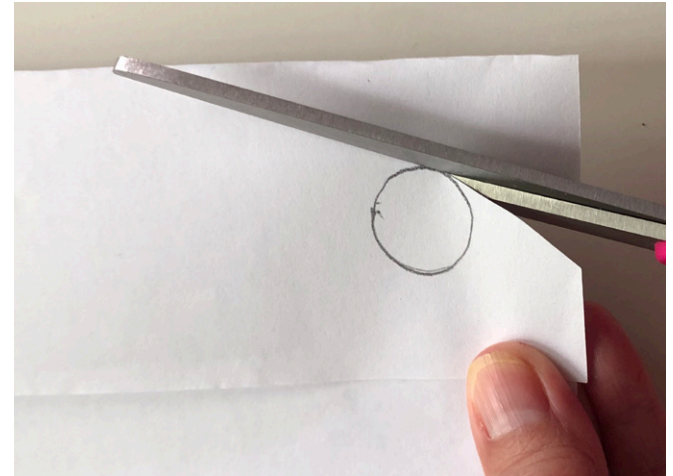
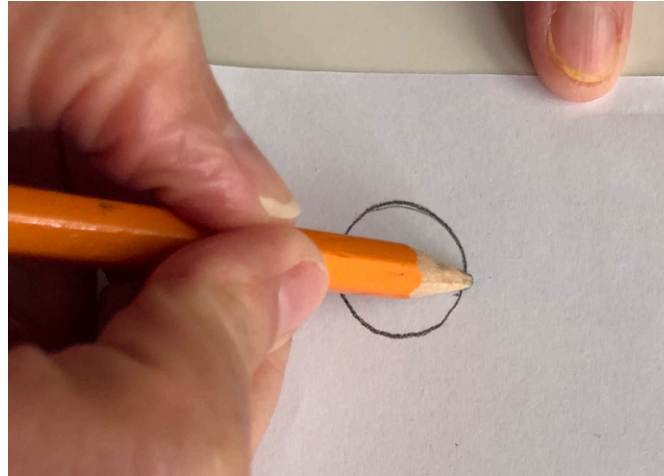


# —MATERIALS—

- Sandwich size paper bags
- Pencils/Markers/crayons/colored pencils
- Varying supplies such as recyclable materials, googly eyes, yarns, stings, ribbons, construction paper (cut for arms, legs, shoes, hands, clothing, etc.) and magazine pictures
- Glue/glue sticks
- Scissors







1. Hold the bag so the fold is on the front and you can slide your hand in to move it like a mouth.
2. This top part (the smaller rectangle) will be the face.
3. You can cut out and glue the eyes on or draw them.





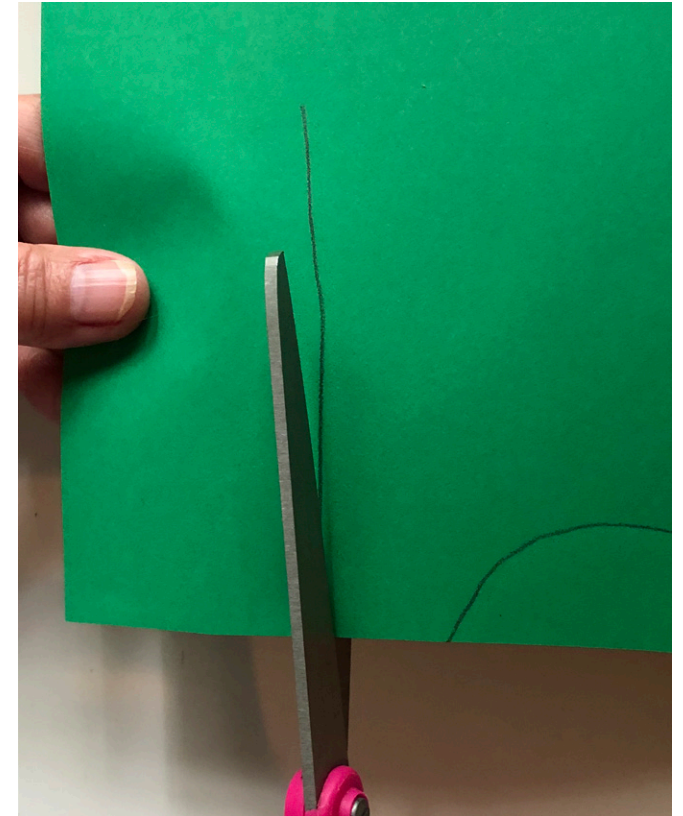
4. The nose can be drawn under the eyes in a “w” shape, the mouth is a “U” shape for a smile or an upside “U” shape for a frown. An “O” shape can show surprise or singing. The ears are a “C” shape and a backwards “C” shape.

5. The hair can be made out of yarn, papers, or string, which can be glued on, or you can draw the hair.

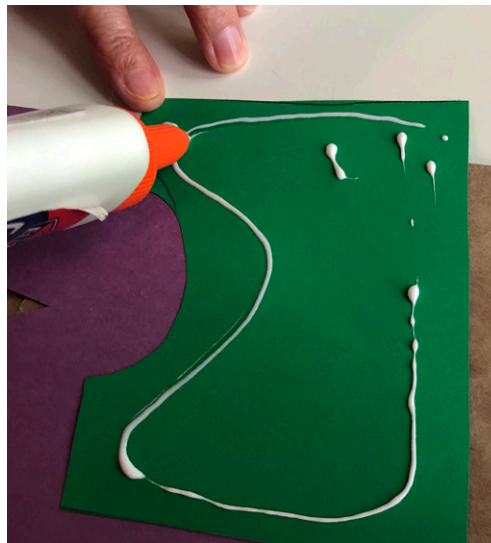




6. Next, decide what is your favorite season. This puppet loves summer so I put on a shirt and shorts. These can be cut out of construction paper, newspapers, magazine pictures or anything you might have. These can be glued onto the bag.

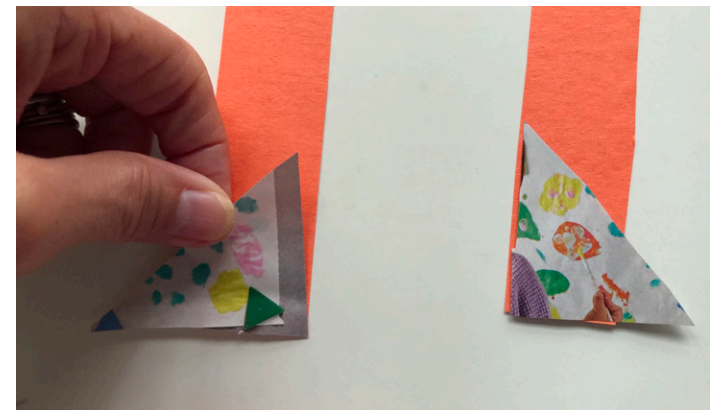
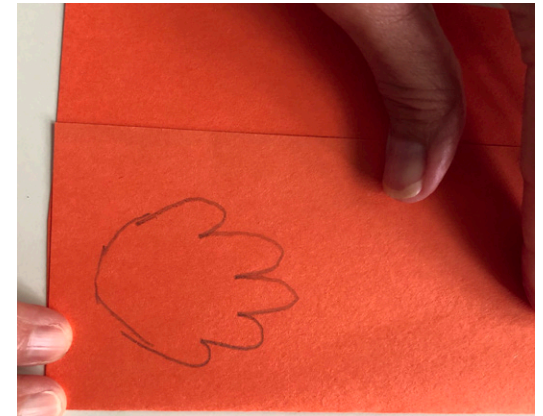
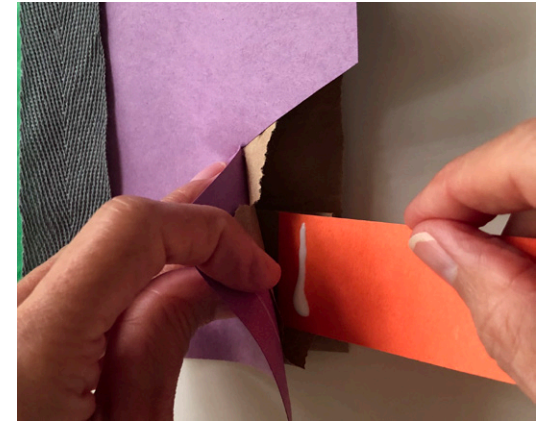


7. You can decorate your clothes anyway you want. I put stripes on my shirt with buttons and I added a belt.





8. Cut strips of paper for the arms and legs, and glue the arms to the sides of the bag and the legs into the bottom of the bag. These can be pre-cut out of construction paper, newspapers or magazine pictures.
9. Draw and cut out the hands. If you draw a hand on a folded piece of paper, you can make two at once.
10. Then, make the shoes. The shoes are just cut out of a corner of a magazine picture or a piece of paper.







11. When completed, you can put your hand up into the bag and wrap your fingers into the face to make it talk.





**Have Fun! Make a whole family or make all four seasons.**

You can find inspiration to create your puppet based on the seasons in works from the NBMAA collection, such as *Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall* by Louise “Ouizi” Jones, 2019.

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