

# Puppet-making workshop in 2D

You can adapt the project according to your technical and material constraints. It is recommended to make a cat puppet yourself before starting the project with children, in order to evaluate the time of realization and the logistics to set up. The approximate time for the realization is two hours.

## **Required equipment**

- Rigid cardboard (from 20x30 cm to 40x50 cm)
- Felt or chalk
- Gouache or acrylic paint
- Hot glue
- Pipecleaner, string or rope for neck attachment
- Handling handle (various objects)

#### **Optional equipment**

- Buttons, pompons, caps...
- Colored threads, ropes and wools

#### **Required tools**

- Scissors, brushes, water pots and rags
- Hot glue guns, punches

### **Steps of realization**

- Draw the outline of the head. Then separately, draw the outline of the body including the four legs and tail
- Paint the surface colors then add the painted patterns (lines, dots, stains...)
  - For bright colors: apply a coat of white before the colors if the substrate is not already white.
- Paint or glue the eyes and muzzle
  - To accentuate the look, choose colors in contrast with the background (warm/cold or light/dark) as well as two superimposed elements (one larger under a smaller one).
- Cut the head, then the contour of the body-paw-tail in one piece
- Drill holes in the head and body for the neck joint
- Tie head and neck with string, rope or pipe cleaner
- Glue the handling handles to the back of the head and body