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Stop Motion Filmmaking

The Complete Guide to Fabrication and Animation

Bloomsbury Publishing Based on a world-class curriculum and cutting-edge industry practices, *Stop Motion Filmmaking* offers step-by-step instruction in everything from puppet making and studio set-up to animation and filmmaking. Reflecting exciting advancements in the medium, animator and educator Christopher Walsh focuses closely on digital filmmaking techniques, and offers specific instruction for creating 3D designed and printed puppet components as well as hand-crafted elements. The book is enriched by exclusive online content in the form of detailed tutorials and examples, and by dynamic sidebars and inserts. Further accented by interviews with leading professionals from both the independent and major studio worlds, *Stop Motion Filmmaking* is designed for dedicated students of the art form, and provides invaluable training for any serious artist who is driven to bring frame-by-frame worlds to life through puppet animation.

Stop-Motion Armature Machining

A Construction Manual

McFarland Stop-motion puppet animation is one of the most unusual and demanding art forms in the world. It uses a variety of skills, including design, sculpting, metal work, mold making and casting, taxidermy, filmmaking, storytelling and acting, and can be seen in the simplest commercial spots on television to more complex animated shorts and science fiction and fantasy feature films. This work, with over 200 photographs and illustrations, demonstrates the construction of armatures for film industry stop-motion puppets and the technical aspects of how to machine metal into the desired shape. It describes in detail the milling machine and the metal lathe, the two main tools used in constructing the armature, other cutting tools, and how the anatomical makeup of the puppet determines the armature design. The book then examines the six main types of joints used in armature construction: the sandwich plate ball-and-socket joint, the ball-and-socket collet joint, the step-block ball-and-socket joint, the swivel joint, the hinge joint, and the universal joint. Also described are the different types of metals used in armature construction.

Stop-Motion Puppet Sculpting

A Manual of Foam Injection, Build-Up, and Finishing Techniques

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The former technique uses pre-cut blocks of foam formed with a pair of scissors or other instrument into the shape desired and attaching them to the armature. In the latter technique, the character is sculpted in clay over the armature. This clay sculpture is then replaced with foam by using a plaster mold and injection gun techniques. Finishing techniques described include the making of hair, eyes, eyelids, teeth, horns, nails, and chitinous (insect-shell-like) surfaces. The manual also covers the process of creating replacement heads using rubber molds (such as RTV) and urethane castings. A glossary and bibliography complete the extensively illustrated work.

Stop-Motion Filming and Performance

A Guide to Cameras, Lighting and Dramatic Techniques

McFarland Stop-motion animation has long been perceived as a technical practice rather than a creative, demanding art. Though stop-motion requires considerable technical knowledge, it also involves aesthetics and artistry that go beyond the technician's realm. Just as important as puppet mechanics are lighting, filters, lenses, camera angle and placement, and dramatic pose and movement. This manual is a complete guide to the aesthetics of stop-motion animation. Information is organized in an intuitive, easy-to-use structure, following the order an animator uses in setting up and then executing a scene. The first half concentrates on the aesthetics of lighting and cameras, a primary concern in any shot, with details of camera placement, various lenses and myriad lighting techniques. The second half deals with the process of performance art, an oft-overlooked aspect of stop-motion animation. Included is a commentary on body language, facial expression, gesture, movement and emotion—key concepts that are exemplified through the acting process. The work also offers an introduction to narrative form and a glossary of related terms.

Stop-motion Animation

Frame by Frame Film-making with Puppets and Models

A&C Black Stop-motion Animation teaches the skills required to develop as a creative stop-motion animator. It explores how all the elements of film-making - camera work, design, colour, lighting, editing, music and storytelling - come together in this unique art form. With advice on how to use the particular types of movement, characters and stories that typify stop-motion, this book is packed with tips and suggestions to help you get the most out of your stop-motion films, accompanied by illustrations and case studies demonstrating how film-making masters through the years have used it in feature films, short films and television. This second edition also introduces and explores two of the biggest innovations of recent years - at opposite ends of the industry. At the top-end, for film-makers with serious budgets, there is 3D printing in the creation of replacement parts for stop-motion characters while at the amateur/student end of the industry there are a variety of cheap, but effective, apps that can turn a smartphone into a mini stop-motion studio. The new edition also includes an extended project in each chapter, covering storytelling techniques, selecting an appropriate style, developing a character, set building and lighting, creating a performance and adding music. These projects combine to lead you through the creation of your first one-minute stop-motion animation.

Stop-motion Animation

How to Make and Share Creative Videos Using Clay, Paper, Post-its, Puppets ... and More

Packed with step-by-step tutorials and inside tips and advice from professional animators, Stop-motion Animation is the ultimate handbook for anyone seeking to explore the exciting possibilities afforded by stopmotion animation. With its highly accessible approach and use of inspirational, bang up-to-date examples, the book is guaranteed to appeal to a hip new generation of recreational animators, as well as artists, photographers, and creatives of all stripes seeking new outlets for their creativity. Combining a winning formula of practical instruction and creative inspiration, Stop-motion Animation examines a wide range of stop-motion techniques, covering traditional forms such as claymation and

cut-out animation, as well as innovative new techniques that use everyday items such as Lego and post-it notes. Engaging interview-style case studies explore the work of some of today's most exciting stop-motion practitioners, providing readers with an invaluable insight into their working processes, while detailed tutorials illustrate a range of both basic and more advanced techniques, from making a basic puppet to shooting with an iPhone. QR codes (readable from any smartphone) accompany each tutorial, linking directly to online videos which reveal the finished piece of animation, as well as to videos of digital tutorials which provide a moving screen capture. Readers will also learn easy post-production techniques for editing files and creating animated movies on both Macs and PCs.

The LEGO Animation Book

Make Your Own LEGO Movies!

No Starch Press Have you ever wondered what your LEGO creations would look like on the big screen? The **LEGO Animation Book** will show you how to bring your models to life with stop-motion animation—no experience required! Follow step-by-step instructions to make your first animation, and then explore the entire filmmaking process, from storyboards to post-production. Along the way, you'll learn how to: -Create special effects like explosions and flying minifigures -Convey action and emotion with your minifigure actors -Design sets for animation—make three buildings look like an entire city! -Light, frame, and capture consistent photos -Add detail and scope to your films by building in different scales -Build camera dollies and rigs out of LEGO bricks -Choose cameras, software, and other essential animation tools Dive into the world of animation and discover a whole new way to play! For ages 10+

Frame-By-Frame Stop Motion

The Guide to Non-Puppet Photographic Animation

Techniques, Second Edition

CRC Press Single frame film-making has been around as long as film itself. It is the ancestor to modern day special effects and animation. Despite its age-old practice, Single frame film making and stop-motion animation continues to influence media and culture with its magic. Current advances in technology and classic stop motion techniques, such as pixilation, time-lapse photography and down shooting have combined to form exciting new approaches. Tom Gasek's Frame-By-Frame Stop Motion offers hands-on experience and various tricks, tips, and exercises to help strengthen skills and produce effective results. Interviews from experts in the field offer not only offer inspiration but also help readers learn how to apply skills and new applications. The companion website offers further instruction, recommended films, tools and resources for the both the novice and the expert.

Creating 3-D Animation

The Aardman Book of Filmmaking

Harry N Abrams Incorporated A new edition of the guide to stop-action animation, published to include coverage of new innovations since the creation of Chicken Run, discusses achievements that have taken place since the book's original publication in 1998 and surveys the latest computer technologies. 15,000 first printing.

Animation Lab for Kids

Fun Projects for Visual Storytelling and Making Art Move:

from Cartooning and Flip Books to Claymation and Stop Motion Movie Making

Introduce kids to stop-motion animation and animated filmmaking. Animation is everywhere--from movies and TV to apps and video games--and today's tech-savvy kids know all about it. With the accessibility and ease of use of cameras and video-editing software, people of all ages are learning how to make stop-motion animation. In "Animation Lab for Kids," artists, teachers, and authors Laura Belmont and Emily Brink present exciting, fun, hands-on projects that teach kids a range of animation techniques. From the classic zoetrope, flip book, and cel methods (which don't require any devices or technology) to different methods of shooting, the lessons require no previous experience for either child or adult. Experimenting with a variety of art materials (drawing, clay, and paper cut-outs), young animators will learn to plan a film through writing, storyboarding, and creating sets. The book also features helpful and informative sidebars on the history of the early animation techniques as well as the inspiring work of innovative and influential animators, including Kirsten Lepore, PES, Hailey Morris, and William Kentridge. The authors are co-founders and lead teachers of The Good School, an arts-education school that cultivates and combines traditional art-making skills and the technologies involved in stop-motion animation filmmaking. They teach animation techniques at camps, schools, and events, including the New York International Children's Film Festival.

The Advanced Art of Stop-motion Animation

Cengage Learning Ptr Take an in-depth look at the art and techniques of stop-motion animation. The Advanced Art of Stop-Motion Animation helps experienced stop-motion artists enhance their craft by exploring the professional methods and advanced technology used by top film studios today. This book features expanded coverage of the basic principles of animation, including specific applications for character performance and visual effect compositing techniques. All the newest technology is touched on, including detailed information on camera rigs, effects, and shooting stop-motion in stereoscopic 3D. Discover new puppet building techniques, including the technology behind the rapid prototyping of computer models for stop-motion production. You'll even find a thorough history of early feature-length stop-motion films. The practical techniques and skills presented are enhanced by interviews with many

of the most celebrated stop-motion artists as well as coverage of the work of several artists working in the online stop-motion community. Whether your focus is low-budget indie filmmaking or big studio productions, *The Advanced Art of Stop-Motion Animation* provides a comprehensive look at both the latest methods and the artists who are driving the revival of stop-motion animation.

Stop Motion: Passion, Process and Performance

CRC Press Be inspired by award-winning animator Barry Purves' honest insight into the creative process of making stop motion animations, using his own classic films to illustrate every step along the way. With Barry's enthusiasm for puppets in all their many guises and in-depth interviews from some of the world's other leading practitioners, there is advice, inspiration and entertainment galore in *Stop Motion: Passion, Process and Performance*. And there's more! Many of the artists and craftsmen interviewed have contributed their own specially drawn illustrations - showing their inspirations, heroes and passion for their craft. These beautiful images help make the book a truly personal journey into the heart of the animation industry with broad appeal for anyone with a love of animation.

Frame by Frame Stop Motion

NonTraditional Approaches to Stop Motion Animation

CRC Press In a world that is dominated by computer images, alternative stop motion techniques like pixilation, time-lapse photography and down-shooting techniques combined with new technologies offer a new, tangible and exciting approach to animation. With over 25 years professional experience, industry veteran, Tom Gasek presents a comprehensive guide to stop motion animation without the focus on puppetry or model animation. With tips, tricks and hands-on exercises, *Frame by Frame* will help both experienced and novice filmmakers get the most effective results from this underutilized branch of animation. Practical insight and inspiration from leading filmmakers like PES (Western Spaghetti Creator, Time Magazine's #2 Viral Video of 2008), Dave Borthwick, of the Bolex Brothers and more! The accompanying website will include further content driven examples, indexes of stop motion software, a recommended film list and tools and resources for the beginner and intermediate stop motion artist, animators and

filmmakers.

The Art of Aardman

The Makers of Wallace & Gromit, Chicken Run, and More

Chronicle Books See the iconic, energetic art of Aardman Animations like never before! **The Art of Aardman** takes readers on an unforgettable, behind-the-scenes journey through the studio's archives. This collection features original character sketches and never-before-seen concept art, offering a unique look inside the studio that created **Chicken Run**, **Morph**, and, of course, **Wallace & Gromit**. Kicking things off with forewords from founders **Peter Lord** and **David Sproxton**, this celebration of all-things Aardman is a must-have for all animation fans.

Acting and Performance for Animation

Taylor & Francis Character animation involves more than the principles of animation and the mechanics of motion. Unique, believable characters that think, feel and captivate your audience are ones that involve emotion, performance, personality, acting and story. Successful animators balance all of these elements within a single character and narrative. With **Acting and Performance for Animation**, discover how to create dynamic, dramatic performances and believable character interaction. An invaluable resource for animators, **Acting and Performance for Animators** is a practical guide to the variety of performance techniques relevant to animators. Develop believable character interactions with chapters detailing the principles of performance, performance types, character emotion and personality, physical and psychological performance, and scene composition. Analyze scripts, sound, acting, action and performance with the practical hints and tips, hands-on assignments and animated examples featured in an extensive guide for animators working in film, TV, games and commercials. Explore different performance techniques based upon the experiences of seasoned animators with case studies featuring **John Lasseter**, **Ray Harryhausen**, **Nick Park**, **Joanna Quinn**. Expand your own performance techniques with the accompanying DVD which will feature live action reference shorts, production stills, animated examples, and further hands-on assignments.

Timing for Animation

Taylor & Francis "Learn all the tips and tricks of the trade from the professionals. Highly illustrated throughout, points made in the text are demonstrated with the help of numerous superb drawn examples."--

Directing for Animation

Everything You Didn't Learn in Art School

CRC Press There's no class in art school that can teach you this. Believe it or not, there's a lot more to directing a great animated film than beautiful illustrations and cool characters. You need to bring out your inner creative visionary and take your savvy leadership skills to the front lines - being great with a pencil, brush, or stylus is not enough. Tony Bancroft released his inner creative visionary when creating Mulan. In Directing for Animation he shows you exactly how. Pull the right strings to bring your characters to life and center your story by developing the visual cues that lend to your audiences understanding of the plot, place, and purpose. Tony walks you through the process, bringing you behind the scenes of real, well-known projects - with a little help from some famous friends. Learn from the directors of Aladdin, The Little Mermaid, Ice Age, Chicken Run, and Kung Fu Panda, and see how they developed stories and created characters that have endured for generations. Get the inside scoop behind these major features...pitfalls and all.

Force: Animal Drawing

Animal locomotion and design concepts for animators

Taylor & Francis Many artists are unsure how to bridge the gap between the many basic 'how to draw' books and the more advanced ones dealing with the esoteric details of composition, perspective and anatomy. Force: Animal Drawing is the comprehensive guide to developing artistic animals that are creative, dynamic and anatomical, bridging the gap

between foundational art and advanced techniques. Artists and animators alike all find animal inspiration when animating characters- be they human or inhuman. For a unique 'larger than life' character, readers will learn to apply the unique facets of animal movement, locomotion, expressions, facial features, physical build and personality to their traditional and digital art. Readers will also adapt key industry tricks and techniques to personify animal animations with key characteristics of a human's face. Explore the practical application of force theories and learn from today's leading character designers with the included artist interviews and an extended video tutorial via www.drawingforce.com.

Producing Independent 2D Character Animation Making & Selling A Short Film

CRC Press **PRODUCING INDEPENDENT 2D CHARACTER ANIMATION** takes an in-depth look at the artistry and production process of cel animation in a friendly, how-to manner that makes the sometimes tedious process of animation enjoyable and easy to understand. This book guides animators through every step of planning and production; includes examples of actual production forms, organization tips, screen shots, and sketches from the pre- to post-production processes; and contains detailed information on the hardware and software used to complete each step. By mapping out the course of how his small studio brainstormed, created, then produced its award-winning animation, **TIMMY'S LESSONS IN NATURE**, Mark Simon explains to animators what it takes-both creatively and resource-wise-to get their animations to market. Includes exclusive interviews with Oscar-nominated independent animator Bill Plimpton, Craig McCracken, creator of the **POWER PUFF GIRLS**, Craig "Spike" Decker of **SPIKE & MIKE'S SICK AND TWISTED FESTIVAL OF ANIMATION**, David Fine & Alison Snowden who are the Academy Award-Winning producers of **BOB AND MARGARET**, Cartoon Network's Senior Vice President of Original Animation, Linda Simensky, and Tom Sito, Co-Director of **OSMOSIS JONES**...as well as others.

Professional Storyboarding

Rules of Thumb

Taylor & Francis Storyboarding is a very tough business, and a new storyboarder really needs to have their wits about them and have professional savvy to survive in this competitive field. Storyboarding: Rules of Thumb offers highly illustrative examples of basic storyboarding concepts, as well as sound, career-oriented advice for the new artist. This book also features a number of veteran storyboard artists sharing their experiences in the professional world.

Character Animation in 3D

Use Traditional Drawing Techniques to Produce Stunning CGI Animation

CRC Press Improve your animation by fully understanding the key 2d skills before using a computer!

The Animator's Survival Kit

A Manual of Methods, Principles and Formulas for Classical, Computer, Games, Stop Motion and Internet

Animators

Macmillan The Academy Award-winning artist behind Who Framed Roger Rabbit? draws on his master instruction classes to demonstrate essential techniques required of animators of any skill level or method, in an updated edition that provides expanded coverage of such topics as animal gaits and live action. Simultaneous.

Writing an Interactive Story

CRC Press Video games have become the world's largest leading cultural product. Though disputed in the past, the narrative qualities of video games have finally secured distinction in the realm of art. This is especially true for interactive games. Writing an Interactive Story will help the reader in navigating the creation process of interactive scripts, in addition to discovering behind the scenes narrative choices of renowned games, and will help you to harness your inner creativity. Guided by master interactive scriptwriters, the text presents its content in the form of a unique writing workshop. With interactive game writing, the player becomes the star of the work. Thanks to this method of storytelling, the morals of the game become resonant. This is because the weight of the narrative's choices and consequences rest fully upon the player. It's the ultimate narrative. Whether you are a video game enthusiast, student, or professional, discover how to create a more immersive personalized experience than ever before and give your players the opportunity to write their own destiny through their choices. The methods, strategies, and secrets of this new art await you. Features exclusive interviews with: David Cage - BAFTA Award for Best Story - Heavy Rain Jean-Luc Cano - BAFTA Award for Best Story - Life Is Strange Joe Penny, David Bowman - Telltale's The Wolf Among Us, The Walking Dead Benjamin Diebling - Beyond Two Souls, Detroit: Become Human Erwan Le Breton - Ubisoft Thomas Veauclin- The Council Fibre Tigre - Out There

Cracking Animation

The Aardman Book of 3-D Animation

Aardman Animations are, unquestionably, one of the biggest success stories in animated films: their masterpieces include Wallace and Gromit, Chicken Run and Shaun the Sheep, as well as much-loved characters such as Morph. Cracking Animation is entertaining, inspiring and essential reading for all Aardman enthusiasts, students of animation or anyone who wants to try making an animated film. This revised edition includes two new chapters. Chapter 7 looks in depth at the development and teamwork involved in a major animated film or television production, using The Pirates! In an Adventure with Scientists! as an exemplar, and Chapter 8 presents exclusive behind-the-scenes insights into the making of Aardman's most recent feature film, Shaun the Sheep the Movie. Packed with practical, fully illustrated and step-by-step descriptions of all the elements involved, this is quite simply the best publication on stop-motion animation.

Motion Picture and Video Lighting

Taylor & Francis Motion Picture and Video Lighting, Second Edition, is your indispensable guide to film and video lighting. Written by the author of the industry bible Cinematography, this book explores technical, aesthetic, and practical aspects of lighting for film and video. It will show you not only how to light, but why. Written by a professional in the field, this comprehensive book explores light and color theory; equipment; and techniques to make every scene look its best. Now in full color, Motion Picture and Video Lighting is heavily illustrated with photos and diagrams throughout. This new edition also includes the ultimate 'behind the scenes' DVD that takes you directly on a professional shoot and demonstrates technical procedures and equipment. In addition, 20 video clips include: lighting demonstrations, technical tests, fundamentals of lighting demos, and short scenes illustrating different styles of lighting.

3D Animation Essentials

John Wiley & Sons The essential fundamentals of 3D animation for aspiring 3D artists 3D is everywhere--video games, movie and television special effects, mobile devices, etc. Many aspiring artists and animators have grown up with 3D

and computers, and naturally gravitate to this field as their area of interest. Bringing a blend of studio and classroom experience to offer you thorough coverage of the 3D animation industry, this must-have book shows you what it takes to create compelling and realistic 3D imagery. Serves as the first step to understanding the language of 3D and computer graphics (CG) Covers 3D animation basics: pre-production, modeling, animation, rendering, and post-production Dissects core 3D concepts including design, film, video, and games Examines what artistic and technical skills are needed to succeed in the industry Offers helpful real-world scenarios and informative interviews with key educators and studio and industry professionals Whether you're considering a career in as a 3D artist or simply wish to expand your understanding of general CG principles, this book will give you a great overview and knowledge of core 3D Animation concepts and the industry.

Hydrogeology and Groundwater Modeling

CRC Press Coupling the basics of hydrogeology with analytical and numerical modeling methods, *Hydrogeology and Groundwater Modeling, Second Edition* provides detailed coverage of both theory and practice. Written by a leading hydrogeologist who has consulted for industry and environmental agencies and taught at major universities around the world, this unique

Secrets of Oscar-winning Animation

Behind the Scenes of 13 Classic Short Animations

The Art and Science of Digital Compositing

Morgan Kaufmann The digital compositing process is being applied in many diverse fields from Hollywood to corporate projects. Featuring over 30 pages of color, this tutorial/reference provides a complete overview of the technical and artistic skills necessary to undertake a digital composition project. The CD-ROM contains composition examples, illustrations, and development software.

Brick Flicks

A Comprehensive Guide to Making Your Own Stop-Motion LEGO Movies

Simon and Schuster Ideal choice for fans of the LEGO movie who want to try stop-motion animation in their own movies Provides practical tips on how to film using stop-motion animation Professional advice on art, lighting, effects, and more Did you love the LEGO movie? Are you inspired by Alfred Hitchcock and other professional filmmakers? Would you like to learn how to use the LEGO blocks in your house for more than building? If so, then this book is for you. From lighting to storytelling, this guide will lead you through making your own stop-motion animation films with LEGOs. You may have seen the LEGO movie. Now it's time for you to be the director and make your own. This guide will walk you through the steps of making a LEGO movie. It covers crafting a story, cinetech, animation, and the dynamics of making your vision come to life. Become a filmmaker and learn about directing with this clever and thorough guide.

The Daily Show (The Book)

An Oral History as Told by Jon Stewart, the Correspondents, Staff and Guests

Grand Central Publishing **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** The complete, uncensored history of the award-winning The Daily Show with Jon Stewart, as told by its correspondents, writers, and host. For almost seventeen years, The Daily Show with Jon Stewart brilliantly redefined the borders between television comedy, political satire, and opinionated news coverage. It launched the careers of some of today's most significant comedians, highlighted the hypocrisies of the powerful, and garnered 23 Emmys. Now the show's behind-the-scenes gags, controversies, and camaraderie will be

chronicled by the players themselves, from legendary host Jon Stewart to the star cast members and writers-including Samantha Bee, Stephen Colbert, John Oliver, and Steve Carell - plus some of The Daily Show's most prominent guests and adversaries: John and Cindy McCain, Glenn Beck, Tucker Carlson, and many more. This oral history takes the reader behind the curtain for all the show's highlights, from its origins as Comedy Central's underdog late-night program to Trevor Noah's succession, rising from a scrappy jester in the 24-hour political news cycle to become part of the beating heart of politics-a trusted source for not only comedy but also commentary, with a reputation for calling bullshit and an ability to effect real change in the world. Through years of incisive election coverage, passionate debates with President Obama and Hillary Clinton, feuds with Bill O'Reilly and Fox, and provocative takes on Wall Street and racism, The Daily Show has been a cultural touchstone. Now, for the first time, the people behind the show's seminal moments come together to share their memories of the last-minute rewrites, improvisations, pranks, romances, blow-ups, and moments of Zen both on and off the set of one of America's most groundbreaking shows.

Acting and Character Animation

The Art of Animated Films, Acting and Visualizing

CRC Press Animation has a lot to do with acting. That is, character animation, not the standardized, mechanical process of animation. Acting and animation are highly creative processes. This book is divided into two parts: From film history we learn about the importance of actors and the variety of acting that goes into animation; then, we will turn to the actor's point of view to describe the various techniques involved. Through exhaustive research and interviews with people ranging from the late Ray Harryhausen, Jim Danforth, Joe Letteri, and Bruno Bozzetto, this book will be the primary source for animators and animation actors.

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Stuck

Penguin From the illustrator of the #1 smash The Day the Crayons Quit comes another bestseller--a giggle-inducing tale of everything tossed, thrown, and hurled in order to free a kite! When Floyd's kite gets stuck in a tree, he's determined to get it out. But how? Well, by knocking it down with his shoe, of course. But strangely enough, it too gets stuck. And the only logical course of action . . . is to throw his other shoe. Only now it's stuck! Surely there must be something he can use to get his kite unstuck. An orangutan? A boat? His front door? Yes, yes, and yes. And that's only the beginning. Stuck is Oliver Jeffers' most absurdly funny story since The Incredible Book-Eating Boy. Childlike in concept and vibrantly illustrated as only Oliver Jeffers could, here is a picture book worth rescuing from any tree.

Lego Make Your Own Movie

100% Official LEGO Guide to Stop-Motion Animation

Lights...camera...action! Bring your LEGO minifigures to life with this beginner-friendly guide to stop-motion animation. Ten "Mini Movies" walk you through using your phone, tablet, or computer to make short, funny clips with step-by-step instructions. Set the stage with any of the six included background settings and thirty-six LEGO elements, including a pizza, banana, baseball cap, six minifigure heads, and more! Plus, learn the tricks of the trade as you dive into more advanced skills, such as lighting, sound effects, and camera angles. With these tips and tricks, every movie you make is guaranteed to be a successful smash hit.

The Art of Stop-motion Animation

Course Technology Describes the history and techniques of stop-motion animation.

Zinnia and the Bees

Capstone Seventh-grader Zinnia's last-day-of-school got off to a bad start when she ended up in the vice principal's office for yarn-bombing a statue of the school mascot, but it is about to get a whole lot worse--because, thanks to the incompetence of Bee 641, a colony of commercial, migratory bees escaping from a truck has settled their colony in her hair.

Puppetry, Puppet Animation and the Digital Age

Routledge Rolf Giesen's Puppetry, Puppet Animation and the Digital Age explores the unique world of puppetry animation and its application in the digital age. With the advent of digital animation, many individuals see puppetry and 2D animation as being regulated to a niche market. Giesen's text argues against this viewpoint, by demonstrating the pure aesthetic value they have, as well as examples of some of the greatest cinematic uses of puppets. Such samples include, The Adventures of Prince Achmed, Ladislav Starevich, O'Brien, Harryhausen and Danforth, Trnka and Švankmajer, Aardman and Laika Studios, ParaNorman, and the Boxtrolls. Even live-action blockbusters, such as the Star Wars saga utilize puppetry for costume applications as noted within the text. The use of puppets not only helps create a wondrous world and memorable characters, but is also one of the purest extensions of an artist.