


MARIA SALEHI

artist, model maker, prop + set fabricator

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TECHNICAL SKILLS:

Miniatures, Model Making, Prop Fabrication, Set Building, Set Dressing, Painting, Sculpting and Carving (foam, clay, wood), Drawing, Designing, Hand and Power Tools (drills, bandsaw, table saw, miter saw, Dremel, router), Molding and Casting (silicone, resin, foam, urethane, epoxies, plastics, fiberglass), Vacuform, Basic Woodworking, Sanding and Finishing

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- Mickey's Christmas Tales** | Stoopid Buddy Stoodios April 2023 - May 2023
Prop and Set Fabricator - *hero props and set building for stop motion shorts on Disney+*
- Black Adam: Toy Box Adventures** | Digital Wizards Studios July 2022
Set Fabricator - *fabricating buildings in the art department for a YouTube series for DC Kids*
- Spin Master: Batman Toy Adventures** | Apartment D Films July 2022
Set Fabricator - *art department set building for a YouTube series for DC Kids*
- American Girl: Meet Corinne Tan** | Apartment D Films Aug 2021 - Oct 2021
Prop and Set Fabricator - *art department fabrication for YouTube stop motion series*
- Pixar: Featured Favorites** | Apartment D Films Aug 2021
Set Decorator - *set designing, sourcing and dressing four stop motion ads for Mattel*
- Hot Wheels: Monster Trucks Island** | Apartment D Films Jun 2021 - Aug 2021
Prop and Set Fabricator - *art department fabrication for YouTube stop motion series*
- The Patrick Star Show** | Ancient Order of the Wooden Skull Feb 2021
Prop Fabricator - *made miniature props for the stop motion segments of the Nickelodeon show*
- American Girl: Meet Kira Bailey** | Apartment D Films Oct 2020 - Jan 2021
Set Fabricator and Dresser - *art department fabrication and dressing for YouTube stop motion series*
- American Girl: Courtney Versus** | Apartment D Films Aug 2020 - Sept 2020
Set Dresser - *on-set dressing and art department fabrication for short stop motion film*
- Barbie's Magical Dream Camper** | Apartment D Films Aug 2020
Set Dresser - *on-set dressing and art department fabrication for YouTube stop motion series*
- Marcel The Shell With Shoes On** Feb 2020 - March 2020
Puppet Fabricator/Sculptor - *sculpting eye sockets and eyelid sets, sanding 3D prints, creating background puppets for feature film*

Alien Xmas | Chiodo Bros Productions May 2019 - Dec 2019
Assistant Property Master - *made miniature props and set elements for Netflix stop motion film*

Robot Chicken: Shazam! | Stoopid Buddy Stoodios Feb 2019
Prop and Set Fabricator - *made miniature props, altered set, scenic painting for tie-in advertisement*

Last Christmas | Stoopid Buddy Stoodios Oct 2018 - Nov 2018
Prop Fabricator - *made miniature props for stop motion feature pitch*

Little Bits Commercials | ShadowMachine/Ancient Order Sept 2018
Prop and Set Fabricator - *made props and scenery for three stop motion commercials*

Google Doodle: Celebrating Mister Rogers | Bix Pix Entertainment July 2018
Model Maker - *made miniature props for stop motion short appearing on Google.com*

Tiny Hands Jewelry | Tiny Hands Feb 2018 - March 2020
Sculptor/Production Assistant - *sculpting and finishing miniature food charms in polymer clay*

Various Architectural Models | Melvin Denny Ako Inc. May 2014 - Jan 2018
Assistant Model Maker - *assembling, building and painting house study and resort models*

Various Projects | The Mannequin Gallery Jan 2015 - June 2016
Fabricator - *molding and casting fiberglass mannequins, repairing damage, sanding/finishing*

Halloween Haunt / Holiday Stage Shows | Knott's Berry Farm Sept 2008 - May 2014
Prop Maker / Set Dresser - *foam sculpting, fabricating, decorating mazes and sets*

EDUCATION:

University of California, Irvine

BA in Studio Art June 2008

Received Claire Trevor School of the Arts Honors Award: Excellence in Studio Art