Miniature Animal Stilts

This activity is inspired by Rossella Biscotti's 'Walking Wolf' Watch the video about Rossella's work before completing the activity.

Age: 6yrs+ with adult supervision Time: approx 40min Materials: plasticine, lollipop sticks, thick cardboard, sellotape

For this activity we are going to make miniature stilts with animal feet on them just like Rossella Biscotti's. They will be miniature (small) because we will be using lollipop sticks to make them. You can decide what kind of animal feet you want yours to have. The pictures might give you some ideas or you can choose a different animal.



sellotape cardboard triangle sellotape < lollipop stick

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Decide what animals' feet your stilts will have. It will help to have a picture of the animals' feet to look at. I find that doing a drawing first of the animal feet helps me make them better with plasticine. Shape the kind of animal feet you want using the plasticine. Remember that the feet will go on the ends of the lollipop sticks so try to make them a good size – not too big and not too small. Keep the ankle part of the foot thick enough to push the lollipop stick into it.

Use the lollipop stick for the leg part and add a small triangular piece of cardboard for the part you would stand on to use the stilts. Use sellotape to attach this cardboard to the lollipop stick. Then push the lollipop stick into your plasticine feet. See Diagram>>

Do not forget to share images of your work with us. We will be posting images online that are shared with us. Send them by email to: education@tulca.ie

