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3 Dimensional Construction**Residencies offered:**

Creatures and Characters: Puppets, Masks and Totems with a story to tell: Students will create three-dimensional figures or masks to explore such curricular themes as history, life science or literature. Mythic, real or imagined, these creatures could take several forms: they could be a freestanding sculpture constructed from paper mache and built on a wire armature, or in the form of a mask, constructed from cardboard and paper mache. Using simple sculptural techniques, students will form and model features and gesture to show character. Previous residencies have explored Greek mythology, extraterrestrials, Chaucer's Chanticleer and regional wildlife. A presentation event can follow, adding impact to the construction experience.

Preferred Age/Grade level: grades 3 - 12

Supplies, Equipment, Space and Time Considerations:

Readily available materials

Parent volunteers are helpful

Safe storage is needed for works in progress

These projects require 3-4 one hour working sessions

Artist availability October 1, 2006-January 20, 2007 and April 1, 2007-June 1, 2007

Teaching Experience:

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| 2001-2006 | Artist in Residence, Methow Valley Elementary School, Liberty Bell Jr. High
Omak East Elementary School |
| 2000-2002 | Procession of the Species Art Camp, Twisp, WA, Natural history activities and
costume creation for students of all ages |
| 1992-2005 | 6th Grade Outdoor Education; Methow Valley Intermediate School, Mountain
drawing instruction |
| 1990-96 | Methow Arts, Community Art Program, Carving Instructor |
| 1984-94 | Allen Elementary School, Twisp, WA, Art enrichment and drawing instructor |

Artist's Statement:

For thirty years I have worked as a sculptor and teacher in our mountain valley. Offering students the ability to manifest their vision as form is a deeply satisfying aspect of my work.