**IDEAS FOR PUPPET STAGES**

1. **PVC pipe and curtain.** Create a frame by which the curtain can hang.
2. **A large refrigerator box** with a hole cut in it.
3. **An abandoned piano** or other piece of large furniture from which a puppet might emerge.
4. **A folding** table turned on its side.

1. **Three doors** hinged together with hole placed in the middle portion.
2. **Curtain rods** strung with wire from the ceiling and then draped with fabric.
3. **A barrel or trashcan** with a stage cut out of the top part and draped with a scrim curtain\*.
4. **The “good ole standby:”** a blanket held by two people.

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\*A scrim curtain is shear fabric that is dark in color from which the puppeteer and look out and see the audience but the audience cannot see him. The puppeteer can operate the puppet from behind the scrim. This only works when there is little to no light on the inside of the puppet stage. Scrims need stages with roofs and backs to the stages to keep light from being cast on the puppeteer.