

# Anastasia Papadopoulou

stop motion model maker / set dresser / puppet maker

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Stop motion model maker based in the UK, in a journey to discover the secrets of great (but tiny) movie making.

## work experience

7/11/25 - 19/12/25

6 weeks

### Live Action and miniature Set dresser

Mini Series - Unreleased project at Yamination Studios

*Member of the props and puppets team. NDA in place*

6/10/25 - 6/11/25

5 weeks

### Set Dresser - Miniature painting

ADVERT - Dallas Cowboys and Dak Prescott "My Cause My Cleats"

Dir. Anthony Farquhar-Smith | Production: Not To Scale | Yamination Studios

*Building the main stadium. Painting miniatures. Set dresser during the 4-day shooting.*

26/8/25 - 23/9/25

4 weeks

### Model Maker - Set Dresser

ADVERT - Telstra "Together Builds Better"

Dir. Johnny Kelly | Production: Nexus | Yamination Studios

*Building diorama sets and props*

8/1/24 - 9/2/24

5 weeks

### Model and Puppet Maker

UNRELEASED PROJECT AT YAMINATION STUDIOS

*Member of the props and puppet team. NDA in place*

9/5/23 - 26/5/23

3 weeks

### Model Maker - claymation

ADVERT - RIVER TRUST "THIS IS SHIT"

Dir. Jim Parkyn & Drew Roper | Yamination Studios

*Building props and sets with clay. Testing and choosing different scales.*

22/2/23 - 17/3/23

4 weeks

### Set dresser

ADVERT - OSCAR MAYER "CHEESEPLOSION"

Dir. Anthony Farquhar-Smith | Production: Not To Scale | Yamination Studios

*Constructed multiple dusty desert landscapes, "gherkins" cacti and some tumbleweed. Set dresser during the 4-day shooting.*

21/11/22 - 21/12/22

### Model maker

SHORT SERIES - ALL IN A DAY'S WORK SEASON 2

Dir. Effie Pappa | Production: A Running Commentary | Client: Mailchimp

*Prop maker, creating props for 3 episodes such as pans, pots, speakers, scale cherry tarts, vegetables, fridge, cookies, chairs, kettle, cash register ect.*

24/10/22 - 11/11/22

3 weeks

### **Model and Puppet maker**

ADVERT- DEUTSCHE TELEKOM "GRANDPA"

Dir. Luca & Sinem | Production: Not To Scale | Yamination Studios

*Reconstructed a plastic "Barbie" bike so it was suitable for animation, adding new metal parts using soldering. Also gave it a new look with leather seat and handles, and created a woven bike basket.*

27/6/22 - 15/7/22

3 weeks

### **Set dresser**

ADVERT - NEW TRANSPENNINE ROUTE UPGRADE

Dir. Tom O'Meara | Production: Passion Pictures

*Member of the sets team. Constructed 3 train dioramas landscapes and some small props as benches, kiosks ect. Set dresser during shooting.*

12/6/22 - 17/6/22

1 week

### **Model maker**

Advert - Commonwealth Games 2022

Dir. Harry Cauty | Production: BBC | Yamination Studios

*Constructed part of a miniature Stadium and also some small props like, bins, kiosks, banners.*

01/21 - 06/21

6 months

### **Head set and model maker**

Stop motion short film - "In Between"

Dir. Effie Pappa | Production: Marni films

*Created all sets and props and also contributed in puppets. Sets included 4 interior and 2 exterior ones, and a bus that had interior shots.*

09/20

2 weeks

### **Prop maker - stop motion animator**

music video - Cat Steven's remake of "Wild World"

Dir. Effie Pappa | Production: Dirty Films

*Fabricated real size props and sets mostly using cardboard, papier mache. Created helmet & accessories for a spacesuit. Also did stop motion animation.*

12/2019 - 02/2020

1 month

### **Assistant puppet maker and model maker**

Advert - "I'm Here" for Klinex

Dir. Effie Pappa & Irida Zhonga | Production: Takes2Productions

*Assistant puppet maker creating parts of wire armatures. Creating several props, on-set maintenance and last-minute prop fabrication.*

10/2019 - 11/2019

1 month

### **Model maker**

Stop motion music video - Locomondo "Star"

Dir. Effie Pappa

*Assisted Director in creating props, and a full puppet with a wire armature.*

## **personal project**

09/2019 - 03/2021

### **Model and Puppet Maker**

GRADUATION STOP MOTION SHORT FILM "ELEVATOR ALONE"

33 awards - more than 160 international festivals selections

*Thesis project written, directed, animated and constructed the sets and puppets by me.*

## skills and techniques

- prop making
- puppet making
- wire armature building
- texturing
- painting
- hand power tools
- soldering
- casting (limited)
- molding (limited)
- sculpting (limited)
- tiny knitting
- sewing
- embroidery
- needle felting

## workshop

10/2020

### **5 day character animation workshop with Tobias Fouracre**

Organized by ANIMARKT Stop Motion Forum

*Creation of 2 short pieces of animation: a character study, animated to a piece of dialogue and a piece of action.*

## talks

2/11/2024

### **Puppet Masters Animation Conference**

Masterclass talks & presentations organized by

Creative industries Trafford & Cosgrove Hall Film Archive, Manchester

*Panel with Laura Tofarides discussing about our experience in our early careers in the animation industry.*

## isopa H&S training

2024

### **Safe handling and use of chemicals for manufacturing**

TRAINING MODULES INCLUDED:

- 048 Professional Application of adhesives and sealants / Small packaging at ambient temperature
- 003 Spraying in a ventilated booth, open mixtures, cleaning and waste
- 007 - Dipping and Pouring, open mixtures, cleaning and waste
- 015 Handling open mixtures at ambient temperatures, Cleaning and Waste
- 019 Professional painting – Spray booth Application

## other work experience

11/2013 - 09/2019

### **Senior Web Designer**

*"Lighthouse SA"*

## studies

03/2021

**Graduated from University of West Attica**  
Dept of Graphic Design and Visual Communication  
*Athens*

2011-2012

**Erasmus exchange program**  
Moholy Nagy University of Art and Design  
*Budapest*

## language skills

**Greek** Native speaker

**English** Very Good  
*Certificate of Competency in English, Uni. of Michigan*

## software skills

- Adobe suite (Photoshop, After Effects, Premier, Illustrator, InDesign)
- Dragonframe
- Word, Excel

## activities

- Member of Boy Scouts of Greece since 1998, having organised 4 summer camps as an adult member both as helper and leader.

## i also love...

- macrame
- crochet
- illustration
- jogging
- knitting
- pottery/ceramics
- plants!
- hiking

