

Create a Thai Style Shadow Puppet

Shadow puppet performances were popular forms of entertainment in Thailand. Create your own Shadow puppet and perform a scene from the epic of *Rama*!

Supplies:

Templates for *Rama* (hero from the epic *Rama*) and *Hanuman* (monkey hero)
8.5" x 11" transparency film
Scissors
Clear tape
Glue stick
Permanent markers with various colors
Sequins
Hole punch
2 skewers or thin dowels
(Optional: Glitter or glitter pens)

How to:

1. Photocopy or print shadow puppet templates onto transparency film sheets.
2. Embellish your puppet with colored markers and sequins.
3. Cut out your shadow puppet along the outline.
4. Use a hole punch, scissors or x-acto knife to cut out the background of the puppet.
5. Tape the skewers or dowels to the back of the puppet.
6. Research online to find Thailand's national epic, *Ramakian* (Thai version of the epic of *Rama*), and perform an excerpt with your friends and family.
7. Enjoy!



Rama
(Hero from
the Thai Version of the Epic of Rama)



Hanuman
(Monkey hero from
the Thai Version of the Epic of Rama)

