

Trubloff Pt 1

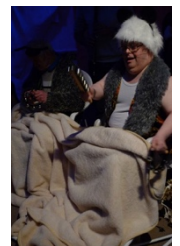
Environment Mousehole entry - small bed, rat masks, Trubloff the Mouse, clockwork mice and hamsters. Balalaika sample in distance. Sleigh, furs and bells. Snow blizzard - wind sound and white cloths. Snow fall - mirrorball, fake snow, glittery snow domes. Fire, cheese and bread.



Mousehole Enter and find large mice masks and Trubloff - individual interactions and play with puppet. Find more mice - they scamper around and make squeaky sounds. Catch one if you can! Hear the sound of balalaika music - go out into the snow to find it....



Sleigh Ride Snuggle up in soft furs, pick up the bells and off you go - Russian music and bell rhythms play as you travel along together. The wind begins to howl and a blizzard swirls around you, white cloths billowing and creating wind currents you can feel and hear.



Snowfall Mirrorball snowflakes fall all around, white snow cloths cover the floor as you get out to explore. See the beautiful, glittering snow domes, dip fingers and toes into the fake snow, see it flutter down, sprinkle it, fluffy, soft and white.

Fire Night is falling, the moon appears. Light the fire and settle down for the night. Trubloff brings bread and cheese to share. Then rest by the fire watching the snow, still falling gently.



Observations Successful adaptation from story. Nice to have different sounds i.e. Russian music/instruments. Using book as clue worked well with many clients. Very good response to puppet which was small, soft, friendly and easy to animate. Ears and waistcoats made good costumes. Plastic noses were abandoned early on! Introduced 'painted' noses and whiskers later in week. Well balanced combination of elements with a large range of activities/props. Good variation from 'domestic bliss' to battling the elements, to enjoying the feel of the snow and night-time. Lighting and sound-effects were very effective.