

Hand Shadows

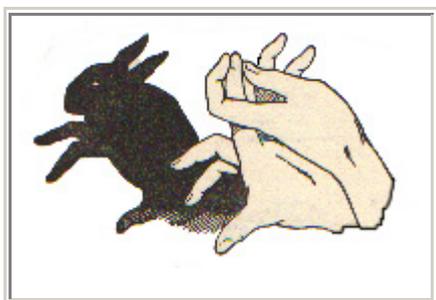
You need:

1. A white cloth, a screen or a large piece of white paper fastened to the wall.
2. A torch for casting shadows.

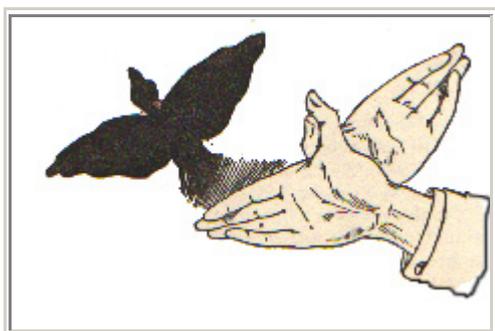
To cast shadow: in a darkened area stand to one side of the screen while someone holds the torch level with your hands. Use the pictures for guidance to make pictures.

Making the Pictures.

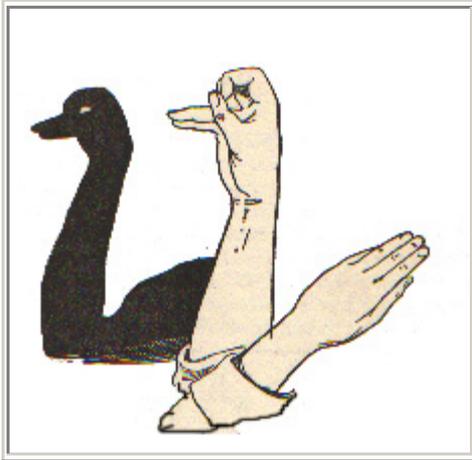
A Rabbit. Stretch your right thumb down and your forefinger up as far as it will go, while you push your second and third fingers out, slightly bent, as in the picture. With your left hand bend your forefinger against your upright forefinger of your right hand, and bring your thumb to touch the last mentioned finger, making a little loop as shown. Stick your second and third fingers of your left hand upright, although slightly bent. Your two hands should now look like the picture and the shadow should be a rabbit. (A bit tricky eh?)



A Butterfly. This is a bit easier! Stretch both of your thumbs, keeping the four fingers of each bunched together. Cross your hands with your thumbs crooked in one another, and the butterfly will be ready to fit on to the screen.



A Swan. Both your arms must have the sleeves pushed up high. The right one needs to be bent up from your elbow. Stretch your third and fourth fingers horizontally, bend the first and second loosely on themselves and bring your thumb to rest naturally on their tips. Hold your left hand easily at the crook of your elbow as in the picture, and your swan is complete.



A Greyhound. Stretch out your right thumb and close your fingers together. With your left hand bend your thumb outwards, double your forefinger, and bring your middle finger down to touch the first finger of your right hand.

