Much Ado About Mannequins: Making the Perfect Form
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Resources

Print sources for mannequin making

Online sources for mannequin making/display
Australian Dress Register  http://www.australiandressregister.org/resources/

History of museum practice and mannequin use

Online costume and fashion history reference pages
New York Public Library's “Costume and Fashion History: A Guide to Resources” page (includes additional websites)  http://www.nypl.org/node/5652
Victoria and Albert Museum’s “Fashion Reading Lists” (sources for medieval through 21st century dress, plus specific subject lists)  http://www.vam.ac.uk/page/f/fashion-reading-lists/

Courses in mannequin making
Northern States Conservation Center, Making Museum Quality Mannequins  www.collectioncare.org
The Campbell Center, Mannequin Making Workshop  www.campbellcenter.org

Subtractive methods, online references with images
Mannequins

**Historical silhouettes**

Kyoto Costume Institute (KCI) [http://www.kci.or.jp/exhibitions/mannequin_e.html](http://www.kci.or.jp/exhibitions/mannequin_e.html)


**Papier mâché or ethafoam dress forms**

Stockman [http://www.siegel-stockman.com](http://www.siegel-stockman.com)

Proportion London proportionlondon.com

Dorffman www.museumfigures.com

**Used, re-fashioned, or sale mannequins**

http://www.mannequins-onsale.com

Check local Craigslist

**Pre-fabricated mannequin covers**

Manex USA [http://www.manex-usa.com](http://www.manex-usa.com)

Fosshape


Fosshape video tutorials and supply: Hats by Leko www.hatsupply.com

Luba Dovgan Nurse, *Dress forms with integrated head mounts, custom made from Fosshape 600,* https://lubasconservation.wordpress.com/2013/03/15/dress-forms-with-hat-mounds-custom-made-from-fosshape/

Sources for Materials

**TestFabrics** www.testfabrics.com

Unbleached, desized muslin

Desized polyester batting

**Gaylord Archival** www.gaylord.com

Unbleached, desized muslin

Desized polyester batting

Cotton stockinette

Twill tape

Specimen/insect pins

**Benchmark** www.benchmarkcatalog.com

Polyester stockinette

Foam carving knives and sharpener

**Lacis** [http://lacis.com/catalog/](http://lacis.com/catalog/)

Curved needles

**University Products** www.universityproducts.com

Ethafoam (polyethylene)

Foam cutting saw

Fosshape

**Hollinger Metal Edge** www.hollingermetaledge.com

Fosshape

**Magcraft** www.magcraft.com

Rare earth magnets (super strong)

**CorsetMakingSupplies** www.corsetmaking.com

Rigilene boning; bone casing

**National fabric supply stores**

Curved needles