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*Waldo S. Lanchester*

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**Waldo S. Lanchester : Hand Puppets String Puppets.** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Hand Puppets String Puppets.:

8 of 9 people found the following review helpful. This condensed edition is incomplete!By James LoewenWaldo S. Lanchester was a supremely talented puppeteer and his original book, "Hand and String Puppets" was a classic gem; small but dense with valuable information for aspiring puppeteers. The original publication by Dryad Press included Lanchester's full-size, two-sided fold-out pattern for an 18" figure. Diligent students could follow his pattern to cut plywood shapes to build up the limbs and make a superbly balanced wooden marionette.Hesperides Press' abridged edition of Hand and String Puppets by is a crudely condensed version of Lanchester's original book. Although the blurb here on states the book is 64 pages it is in fact only 44. Only one side of Lanchester's plans are reproduced, in a small size within the book. The all important limb patterns from the original plans are not included. Attempting to construct a marionette without this essential information would be confusing and frustrating.Puppetry is often referred to as a lost art, this edition clearly illustrates why. Waldo S. Lanchester was a superb artist and craftsman. He left behind a beautiful little book to inspire and instruct others. This edition appears to be edited by someone who knows little about puppetry and has no regard for the importance of the complete subject matter. Most of the photographs from the original which attest to Lanchester's talent and skill are not included here. Missing also are instructions for animal marionettes and their controls, and close up diagrams of construction details for specific joints.This abridged edition of "Hand and String Puppets" is a disservice to the legacy of Waldo S. Lanchester. I sincerely hope Hesperides Press will see the value of releasing a complete and unabridged version in the near future. That version would get five

stars.