Final Project – Animals

Using all the skills and the materials you've been exposed to, your final project is to make an animal.

The scenario:

The theater department has settled on its next production, Alice in Wonderland. There is a scene in the show where Alice and the Queen of Hearts play a game of croquet using flamingos as mallets.

How the prop is used:

Both Alice and The Queen of Heats each select one from a number of flamingos. They both hold the prop by its legs and use its head as the mallet portion to hit wooden balls around the stage. Wooden balls will actually be hit so the head of this prop needs to be strong, (No breaking the beak off from a missed swing) I suggest you make the beak/head and perhaps also the feet from cast resin. Both Alice and the Queen of Hearts are only 5' tall in this production.

Director's note:

I'd like these to be somewhat realistic, not just a flat flamingo cut out. Give it form, definitely cover it with feathers, and I'd like them to be colorful, I definitely don't want them to be all the same color. I am taking a Tim Burton-esk approach to this show, in case you want a visual style reference.

Deliverables:

You are to research and perhaps sketch a design/idea for the look of the bird mallet. At your earliest convenience, please share your research to the professor. Please keep these images to reference during the construction of you prop and to show when you present. Assemble the prop with appropriate adhesives/fasteners. Paint and cover the prop with appropriate materials. Your prop, research, and a small explanation on how you built it will be presented on the due date at which time classmates will offer critique.

Presentation date: 5/3/2022