## SWEENEY TODD

PlayMakers Repertory Company: 2016

## Ben Curns as Bird Seller Annie Golden as Mrs. Lovett

Designer: Bill Brewer Position: Crafts Assistant









The Bird Seller needed to have some bird droppings on his coat which was a rental so I worked up a number of samples of different substances (sand, glue, paint, sculpt-or-coat, sawdust, etc.) on different backgrounds (felt, lace, and net) to see what made the best looking stain. With the best samples we added some dimensional dark spots and cut them out to stitch to the jacket and hat.





When Bill searched for swatches to be Mrs. Lovett's skirt he found a stripe that he liked but when he went back to purchase it they no longer had the yardage. This turned out to be a blessing because I was able to replicate the pattern in Photoshop from the original swatch. In addition to having the necessary yardage it could be in black and white instead of the cream it originally came in and we were able to reverse the stripe so that it could chevron easily. We ordered the fabric through the local company Spoonflower and it arrived in 2 weeks.

