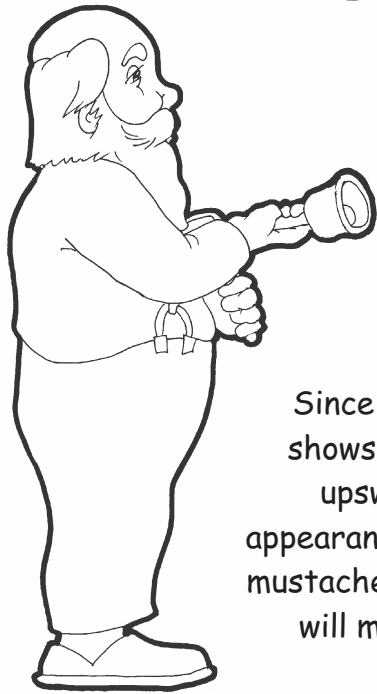




Ol' Don's Drawing Table

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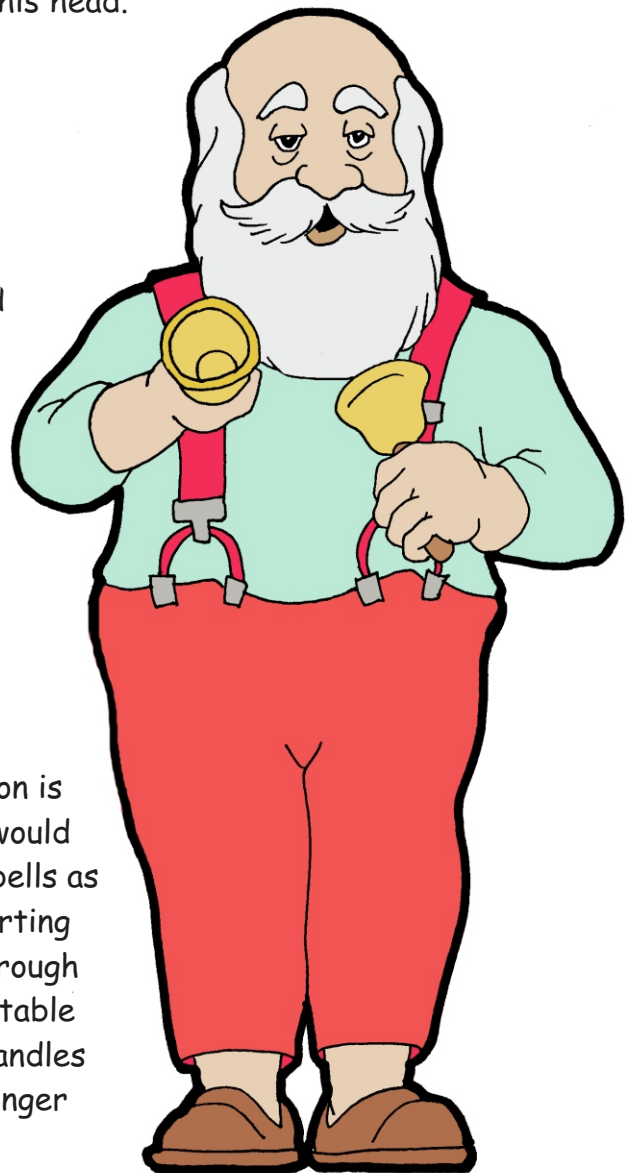


To break up the large mass of hair on Santa's head I always like to have a little of his ears showing. It is also more natural appearing than having a solid mass of hair/beard covering the side of his head.



Since little of Santa's mouth shows, giving his mustache an upswing will help give the appearance he is happy. Having his mustache hang down into his beard will make him appear sullen..

Trying to think of something that hasn't been done with the Santa figure can be quite a challenge. I won't say this hasn't been done before but I don't recall ever seeing Santa playing handbells before so for this issue's pattern I offer you this seasonal project.



A vertical grain direction is recommended. Also, I would suggest carving the handbells as separate items and inserting them in a hole drilled through Santa's fists. Drill a suitable size hole for the bell's handles before you detail the finger areas of his hands.

C and G, Key of B-flat