**Vatsal Kataria (VATKAT)**

**📸 What does he create?**

Vatsal Kataria is a photographer who makes **tiny scenes** that look like real-life places!
He builds small models using **cardboard, glue, clay, and paint**, then takes photos that look like **big dramatic landscapes**.
His work turns **miniatures** into **realistic, magical photos**!

**👦 Childhood**

* Vatsal grew up in **India**, in the city of **New Delhi**.
* As a child, he loved making **things with his hands**.
* He didn’t have lots of expensive toys, so he used **creative materials** to build things himself.
* He was very curious and liked to **imagine big worlds in small spaces**.

**🎓 Education**

* He didn’t go to a traditional art school – **he taught himself!**
* He learned **photography on his own** using online videos and lots of practice.
* He studied how to use **lighting and angles** to make small things look real.
* He learned to **build model sets** out of anything – like **Styrofoam, paper, mud, and paint**!

**💼 Career**

* Vatsal became famous for showing how he makes his photos using **behind-the-scenes pictures**.
* His work has been featured in **magazines and websites all over the world**.
* He has worked on **advertising projects** using his tiny sets.

**🖼️ Artworks, and how he makes them**

 



**🎨 Activities**

* **Make Your Own Mini Scene! -** Use cardboard, foil, paint, and paper to make a tiny mountain or house.
* **Create a Tiny City! -** Use bottle caps, matchboxes, and toy cars to build your own miniature town.
* **Try Toy Photography! -** Take pictures of your toys as if they’re in real adventures.
* **Design a Diorama -** Use a shoebox and turn it into a forest, desert, or outer space scene!
* **Recreate this photograph**
	+ use modelling clay to make the rock
	+ place it on a painted board
	+ put a painting behind it

