



PAL at Home

Preschool Art Lab activities for families to make together

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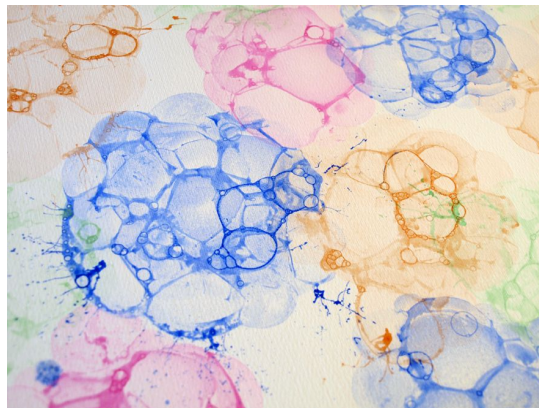
“Bubble Painting”

This activity is appropriate for ages 5 and up

Time from start to finish = 15-30 minutes

You will need the following materials:

- Small bowls
- Water
- Dish soap
- Paper
- Straws
- Spoons
- Paint (tempera, acrylic, liquid watercolor, or even food coloring)



Brief project description: Create whimsical, multicolor bubble prints with just regular dish soap!

Steps

- #1: Set out a small bowl for each paint color. In each bowl add some paint and water, mix thoroughly, and then add a few drops of dish soap. Mix all ingredients together well. For brighter, more saturated prints, add more paint to the water.
- #2: Place the tip of your straw inside one of the bowls. Blow into the straw to create a pile of bubbles on the paint mixture surface. Small children will be familiar with this technique (It's like making bubbles inside your chocolate milk!) Be careful not to suck on the straw, as you don't want to ingest the mixture. Continue to blow bubbles until they slightly overflow the brim of the bowl.
- #3: Take a sheet of paper and gently place it over the bubbles. Remove the paper immediately and set aside.
- #4: Repeat this process with each of the different bowls of soapy paint water. Use the same sheet of paper on each different bowl to get a layered effect; this will create multiple colors of bubble design on your paper.
- #5: To change up the technique, set your paper down on your workspace right beside the paint bowl and blow bubbles until your bowl overflows, allowing the bubbles to gently spread onto the paper. This is fun for little kids, as they can watch the bubbles pop on their own!