

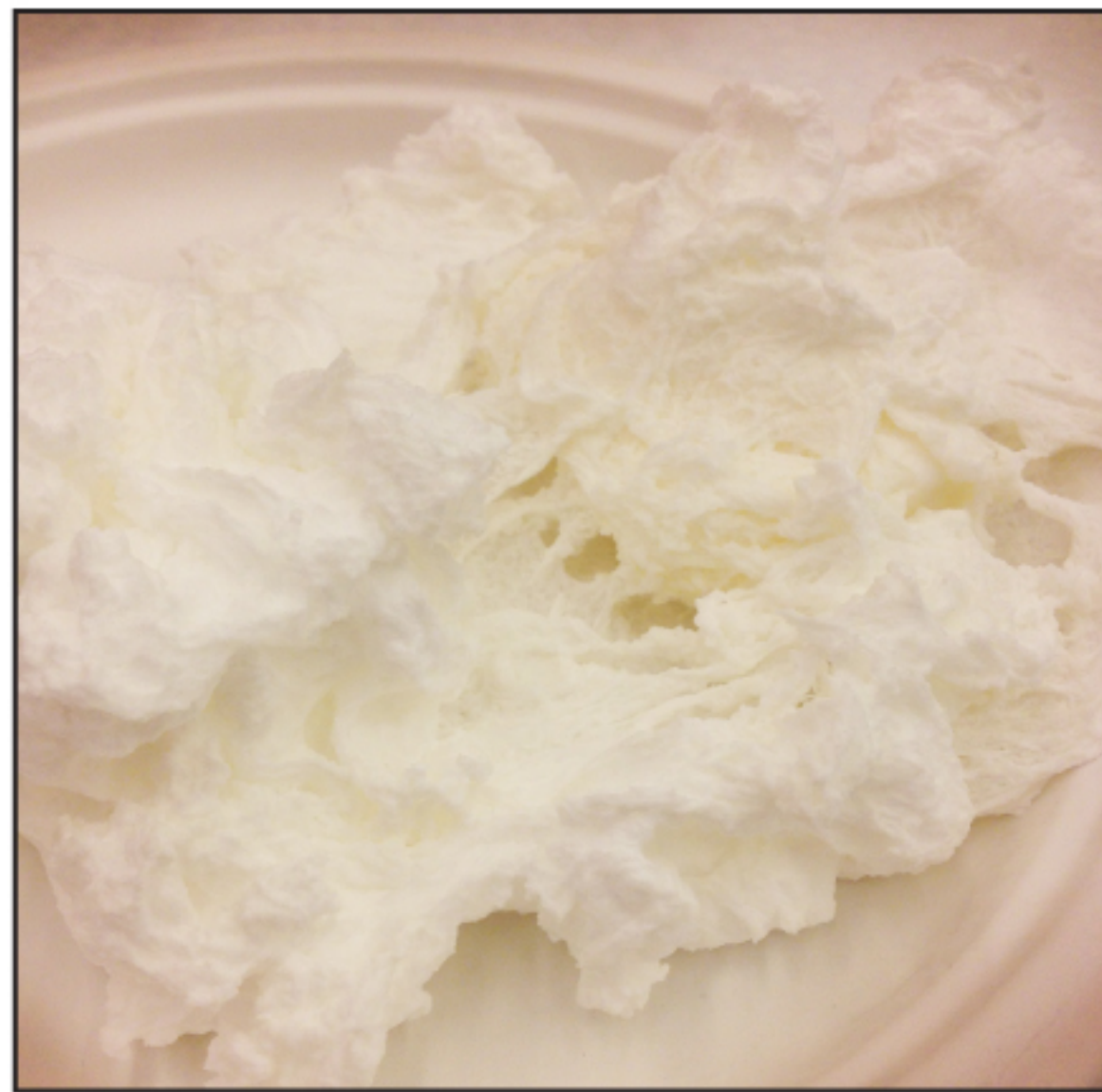
# DIY ART-MAKING: CLOUDS

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Did you know that clouds represent fortune and peace in Tibetan art?

This painting shows us clouds painted in a traditional Tibetan style. It can be seen in the Rubin Museum's *Masterworks* exhibition.



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## MAKE YOUR OWN CLOUDS

Use soap, a microwave, and food coloring to create your own colorful clouds!

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### MATERIALS

- Ivory soap
- Microwave
- Microwaveable plate or paper plate
- Food coloring (watered down) & an eye dropper

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### INSTRUCTIONS

#### Step 1

Place soap onto a microwaveable plate & put into microwave. Microwave for 1-2 minutes (it will stop expanding after about 2 minutes).

#### Step 2

Carefully remove plate from microwave (plate will be hot) & let cool for a few minutes before letting children handle the soap.

#### Step 3

(Optional) Add color! First water down some food coloring and then use an eye dropper to add the color to the clouds. Watch as the color seeps through the clouds!

#### Step 4

Have a full sensory experience while you examine the soap by shaping it, squishing it, pulling it apart, & smelling it!