

This is one image in a series of 12 by Terry Winters. The series, called *Models for Synthetic Pictures*, are prints and all consist of abstract compositions that share a web-like structure. By combining a variety of printmaking techniques, the artist has rendered the twelve images with richly textured black lines and colors of great intensity and variation. Winter draws inspiration from botanical anatomies, biological circulatory and nervous systems, color spectrums, architectural renderings and fractal geometry.

Try making your own abstract and amorphic painting by making bubbles!

**Terry Winters, *Levels, studied complexities*, 1994, from *Models for Synthetic Pictures*, intaglio on Gampi paper laid down on Lana Gravure, 19 3/8 in. x 22 1/4 in. The Henry Melville Fuller Acquisition Fund**

**Activity:** Soap Bubble Printing - Create beautiful patterned paper using dish soap

**Materials:**

- Water
- Acrylic or craft paint
- Dish soap
- Shallow pan or paper/plastic cups
- Paintbrush, spoon, popsicle stick or another tool to stir
- Straws (*optional*)
- White paper

**Directions:**

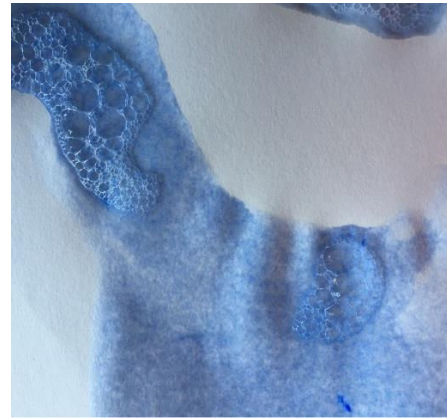
- In a shallow pan, mix together one-part dish soap, one-part paint, and two-parts water
- Stir until lots of bubbles appear on the surface of the water (if you don't see many bubbles, try adding more soap)
  - You can also use a straw to blow into mixture which will make bubbles
- Gently press your paper onto the top of the soap bubbles and see what designs transferred to your paper
- Repeat with more colors and more pieces of paper as desired

**Tips:**

- Experiment with mixing different colors in the same pan of dish soap. You can also add more layers of color to a piece of paper after the first bubble print has dried.

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