## **SHAVING CREAM MARBLING**

Toilette equipment has never been so glamorous! Shaving cream and combs combine to make the easiest marbled fabric ever.

- 1. Spread enough shaving cream, one inch (2.5 cm) deep, on a plastic surface to match the size of your fabric. Smooth the top with a ruler the top does not need to be level, just smooth.
- 2. Dribble straight lines of transparent paint onto the surface of the foam with a pipette or eyedropper. Use as many colours as you like.
- 3. Starting at one side, comb across the lines of paint, moving from the top edge to the bottom. Wipe any shaving cream off the comb. Place the comb next to the already combed area and comb from the bottom edge to the top. Keep reversing directions as you create your designs. You can also comb your marbling design in a curve or a series of curves for variety.
- 4. Drape a piece of fabric face-down onto the surface of the foam. Press it very gently into the foam so that the paint adheres to the fabric. Carefully lift the fabric off the foam and scrape the excess foam from the fabric using a ruler. Comb through the paint left on the foam and make more prints until the foam is used up, adding more paint as needed. Let the paint dry and then iron to set. Rinse and dry the fabric pieces to remove the shaving cream.

Bibliography: Fabric Art Workshop – Exploring Techniques and Materials for Fabric Artists and Quilters, Susan Stein.

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