Flow
by Natasha Tomchin

Natasha Tomchin is an artist, designer and coder. She is driven by her fascination with natural phenomena. Born in Belarus and raised in Nebraska, she’s called Miami home for the last ten years. Inspired by the clouds and lush flora, her art draws directly from her surroundings in an effort to connect more deeply with nature. These feelings translate across code art, painted furniture, sculpture, video and projection installations. Always exploring new creative forms of expression, she uses unconventional methods to cross visual boundaries. She encourages us to put our phones down and “Don’t forget to look up!”
What is a Pour Painting or Acrylic Pouring?

Pour Painting is when you mix acrylic paints with pouring mediums and then pour the mixture onto a surface. Acrylic pouring is an abstract art technique where artists pour fluid acrylic paints on a surface creating art. Acrylic pouring is a “fluid art” along with alcohol ink, and resin art.

Below are a few pieces from Natasha’s “flow” series which are pour paintings inspired by the movement of the ocean and clouds.
Make your own “Flow” painting!

“Flow” by Natasha Tomchin is an acrylic series of fluid paint poured and moved on a variety of mediums such as canvas paintings, furniture pieces and housewares such as planters, coffee tables, shelves, shoe racks, end tables and even some clothing! Deeply inspired by the colors and movements of the sea, the clouds and weather patterns in Miami, using mixed acrylic paint in this manner can mimic those movements. These pieces are each unique and tilted by the artist while the paint is poured. This flowing style of paint is mixed with various mediums (oil, water, sprays) that when combined in a fluid pattern, creates a vast reaction of fractals, rivers, and bubbles of interaction. Each pour is different, and the mixture of water to acrylic paint will actively change the final result. Not ‘wet’ enough and the paint will glob together, too ‘wet’ and the colors will mix together too easily. I recommend starting with a 1:3 ratio of paint to water and play around with the results. Once the paint is at the right consistency, you can pour the paint in any pattern or movement! Its most fun to truly explore and experiment.

Supplies: Painting surface you can hold with both hands (Canvas or Wood Panel), Acrylic Paint, Water