

Alutiiq Miniature Soap Masks

Developed by the Alutiiq Museum



Ingillagayak—Weatherman, wooden mask, Pinart collection, Musee Boulogne-sur-Mer, France. 988-2-198.

MATERIALS:

Unscented Bar of Soap
Butter Knife
Toothpick
Cup of Water
Papertowel or plate to carve on
First Aid Kit

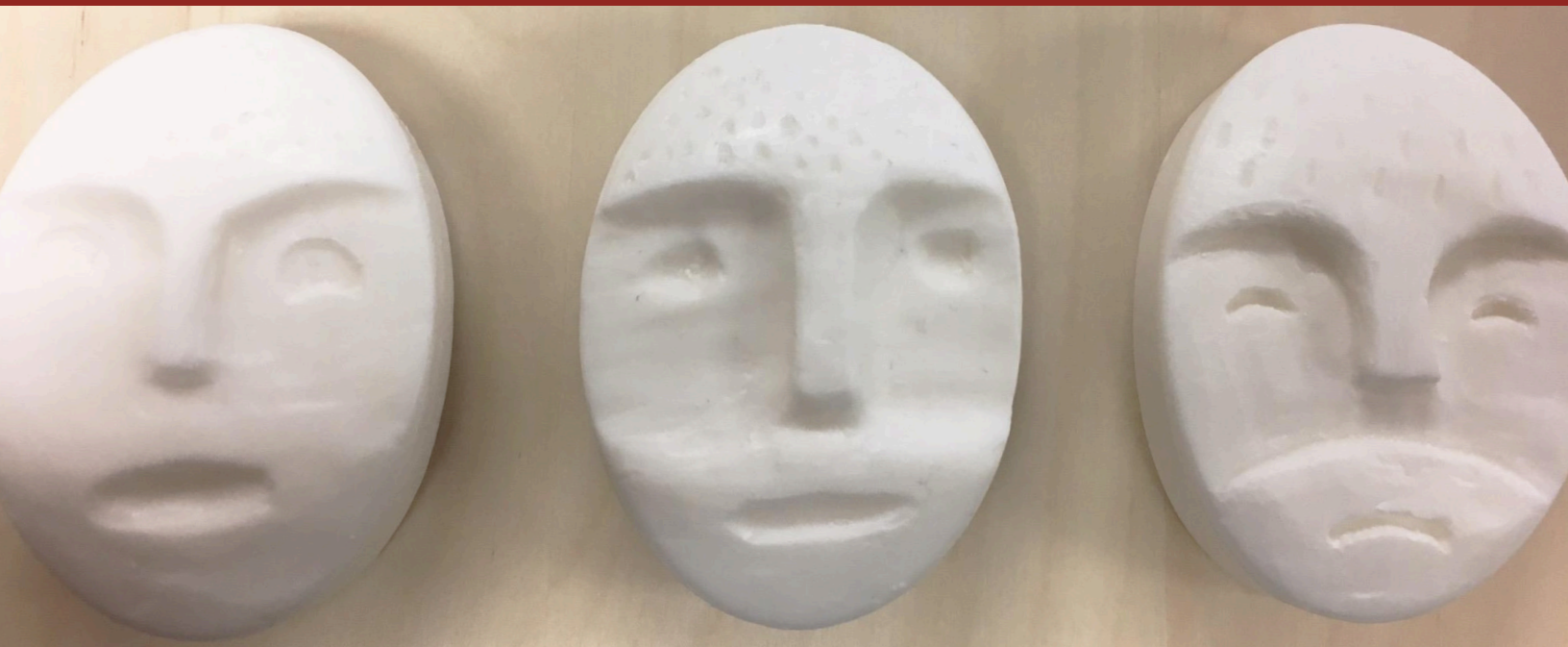
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Step One: Prepare the Soap

1. Use a butter knife to scrape off any symbol present on the soap.
2. Use a damp paper towel or wet fingers to smooth the surface of the soap.

Step Two: Carve the Mask

1. Use a toothpick to outline the brow, nose, and mouth of a mask to create areas for carving.
2. Begin to carve the eye area so that the brow and mouth area are protruding.



Step Two (continued):

3. Once the brow line and nose have been carved use toothpicks and a butter knife to carve the eyes and the mouth.
4. Polish the mask. Dip your fingers into a water bowl and gently rub the surface. This will create a smooth finish.
5. Add decorative details with a toothpick.
6. Place the mask in a safe place to dry.

Historic Alutiiq Masks - courtesy the Pinart collection, Musee Boulogne-ser-Mer, France

