

Water Provocation with Glass Gems, Rocks, & Glass Bottles
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After enthusiastic participation in a tabletop water provocation on Friday, Kalei & Ginny realized the children's need & desire to engage in sensory play through water - especially since it's midwinter! Today the children were offered another water provocation featuring our favorite glass gems, rocks, & glass jars & bottles in the sun-streamed studio. The children played at the table for over an hour; they enjoyed everything from the sensorial experience of the cold water & smooth gems to pouring to making pretend foods in jars.



Although there was a range of diverse play at the table, Kalei later noticed that many of her photos highlighted interactions with the narrow-necked bottles. The children had to be careful when putting the gems inside these particular bottles, lest they get stuck! When a gem did get jammed, it took some intricate finger work to pry it out. Interestingly, some children gently placed a gem atop the bottle as if forming a sort of bottle cap! Problems could also arise in removing the gems. Children learned they often had to shake the bottle to loosen the congestion.