

## Clouds 2

This image was made for the *Clouds 2* project, which was designed to capture a second time a cloud that demonstrates the physics of its development and surroundings and time. The intent of the image was to show the cloud undergoing these physics in a clear and concise way. The past few weeks have been filled with the change of the seasons from fall to winter, and with these changes the clouds have been constantly vivid, fluid, and changing rapidly with wind, pressure, and high and low temperatures.

This project was left much to nature. The final image produced was taken around 4:30 p.m. on October 18<sup>th</sup>, though I produced over 20 images of clouds at different times, locations, and weather conditions. I used a telephoto lens with a focal length of 183.00 mm, with no flash. The shutter speed for this particular photo was 1/250 of a second, with the aperture set at f7.1. The ISO speed was 100. I used a Canon Digital Rebel, and my final image was 3072x2048 pixels. In Photoshop, I upped the contrast to make the pink of the cloud stand out from the tree branch silhouettes that act as a frame for the actual cloud.

This image reveals an autocumulus cloud illuminated by the early stages of the setting sun. The cloud is medium-high on the horizon, with shading, made up of rounded heaps. I'm not really sure what physics are shown, but I did fulfill my intent to get a good photo of a developed cloud that is also aesthetically pleasing. I like the look of the tree frame, and would love to work more with the idea.