



Architectural Identities

FOR AGES: 12-18

MATERIALS: Paper, pencil, and markers, crayons, or colored pencils.



Photos by Joshua White

Modern architect Frank Lloyd Wright designed distinctively “American” buildings, drawing inspiration from the local environment and the architecture of native cultures rather than European models. The **horizontality** of his “Prairie” style structures echoed the flat landscape of the mid-western plains where Wright grew up.

For Hollyhock House, he also integrated aspects borrowed from ancient American architecture, such as the **flat roof** structures of the American Southwest or the **geometric patterns** of Mesoamerica.

Look at the photographs of the west and east facades of Hollyhock House and identify the features highlighted in **bold** above.

Design your “dream house,” a space that defines who you are (your background, interests, and favorite things). Make a drawing or a collage combining different styles, motifs, materials, textures, and colors, reflecting your personal identity.