



Pattern Play

FOR AGES: 6-12

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

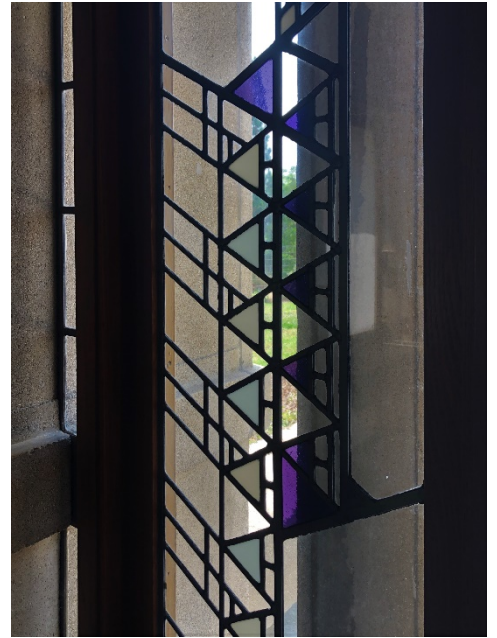


Photo by Joshua White (left)

A pattern is a series of repeating shapes. Frank Lloyd Wright created patterns throughout Hollyhock House. Look at these photos of details in and around Hollyhock House. Identify and describe the patterns you see. Where do shapes repeat? Can you find repeating squares? What other shapes repeat?

Ages 6-9: Practice making different patterns by repeating one kind of line (straight, zigzag, squiggly, wavy, curvy, or spiral). Then try repeating one kind of shape (dot, circle, square, triangle, diamond, or teardrop).

Ages 9-12: Design your own signature pattern using your favorite colors, lines, and shapes. Repeat the order and placement of the design elements.