For families to do at home!

Window Wonders: Shapes and Colors
From the Museum at Eldridge Street

Look closely!
Share these ideas and questions with your child!

This building was designed as a special place for people to go and pray.

- What do you see that makes the building look special?
- How is it the same or different from your school or apartment building?
- Let’s count the doors and windows.

Outside: The Museum at Eldridge Street

- What do you see in the stained glass window? What shapes, colors, or things?

- Can you find...
  - Circles
  - Triangles
  - Stars
  - Flowers
  - Lines like the spokes of a bicycle wheel

- Imagine you are inside the building. You look up at the window when the sun shines through it. How does it make you feel?

- If you designed the window, how would yours be different?
Create your own Rose Window!

Add your own colorful shapes and designs!
- Use crayons, colored pencils or markers to make your own unique window.
- Or, glue on scraps of tissue paper, wrapping paper, or other colored paper.
- Cut out the circle and hang it on your window.

Explore further! Visit the Museum at Eldridge Street
12 Eldridge Street (between Canal and Division Streets)
New York, NY 10002
www.eldridgestreet.org
Hours: Sunday-Thursday, 10:00a.m.- 5:00 p.m., last tour begins at 4:00 p.m.

Explore the Museum at Eldridge Street, one of NYC’s most spectacular National Historic Landmarks, nestled in a unique part of the city where Chinatown meets the old Jewish Lower East Side. It is the first great house of worship built in 1886 by Eastern European Jews in the United States. The grand building was proof of the religious freedom celebrated in America.

This lesson is based on the 2009 Cool Culture Fair workshop by Miriam Bader, Director of Education, Museum at Eldridge Street.