

Christo and Jeanne-Claude, *Arc de Triomphe, Wrapped, Project for Paris, Ave. des Champs-Élysées, Pl. CH. de Gaulle, Ave. de La Gr. Armée*, 1963-89, Hand-colored lithograph, The Tom Golden Collection, The Museum of Sonoma County, Santa Rosa, CA, 2001.51.042

This week, Museum Stories explores opposites in artwork by Christo and Jeanne-Claude. Watch the short video for some fun with art, a book and an art project!

LOOK

This is a picture of an artwork called *Arc de Triomphe*. This building is not nearby, it is far away in Paris, France. Look at the sky, is it day or night? Does Arc de Triomphe look tall or short? It is very tall and wide! Stretch your arms out to be as wide as the arch.

The building is in the shape of an arch. An arch has straight sides and is curved at the top. It is possible to go around and through it. Look for the bright lines of white, red and orange. These are the lights of the cars going in and around the Arc de Triomphe.

READ

This week, the book recommendation is *Dear Zoo* by Rod Campbell. It is a fun flip book and you can guess what is in each box as you turn the pages. Learn about opposites, until you find an animal that is just the right size!

MAKE

Follow along with the video for instructions to make an art project. Put the buildings in order of size from shortest to tallest.

VBMA educators created this lesson plan.

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