

Windows in Lan Su Chinese Garden

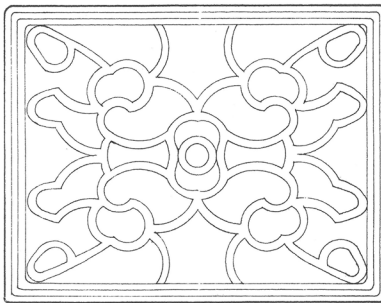


Lan Su Chinese Garden is a window into Chinese culture, history, and way of thinking. Windows or “framed views” are also an important part of the design of a classical Chinese garden. Windows and doorways throughout the garden form views within views, creating the illusion of infinite space within this one city block garden.

One type of window in Lan Su is called a leak window.

There are over 40 different leak windows in the garden, each with a different pattern.

The designs of leak windows reflect patterns in nature – floral and animal. The view through a leak window leaks so that you can see a secret view into another space in the garden.



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Create your own leak window using shapes and lines found in nature.