(Any) Body Oddly Propped

Doug and Mike Starn are identical twin brothers who work together to create works of art—like this monumental sculpture made of glass and steel.



Doug and Mike Starn, (Any) Body Oddly Propped, 2015. Glass, steel and bronze. Museum commission made possible by Shelly Belfer Malkin, Class of 1986, and Anthony E. Malkin and by the John B. Putnam Jr. Memorial Fund. © Doug and Mike Starn, 2015

Look Closely

Take a few minutes to look closely at this sculpture. Walk around it, and through it.

How many separate pieces are there?

What colors do you see?

What shapes do you see? Are they geometric, like squares, circles, and triangles, or are they more natural and free-form?

Do they remind you of anything?

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Make Connections
This sculpture is very large; each panel is 18 feet tall.
How do you think you would feel if it were smaller? If each panel were as tall as you are? If the whole sculpture were the size of a book?
Have you ever tried to make a tower using a deck of cards? Is there anything about this sculpture that reminds you of building with cards?
Use Your Imagination The way that light filters through the different colors of glass plays a big role in how we experience this work of art.
Do you see reflections anywhere? How do you think your experience of this piece would change at different times

of day or in different weather conditions? How would it look on a bright, sunny

day? A rainy day? In the snow? At night?