75th anniversary PEACE LANTERNS from paper bags

Take a grocery bag (12” x 12-14”) and lay it flat with the front facing you. Remove the handles. Measure from the bottom up 2” and draw a folding line along the bottom.

Make a template 8-1/2” square and center it on the black folding line. Draw black folding lines along the other three edges.

Measure 1 1/2” in from the folding lines at the top and sides. These are your cutting lines. Cut along the cutting lines with diagonal lines at the top and bottom corners.

Fold along the folding lines inside the bag. Fold the top down to cover the fold coming up from the cut. Glue the top, sides and bottom.

Next print out a calligraphy that you like and tape it to the inside of the bag facing out. Place a candle (battery run) inside! Make circle cut-outs for variety!

Show it off in your window where your neighbors and visitors can see it. Decorate the outside with collages or paint or folding cranes!
Take pictures of your lantern and post to media with the hashtag #FromHiroshimaToHope