

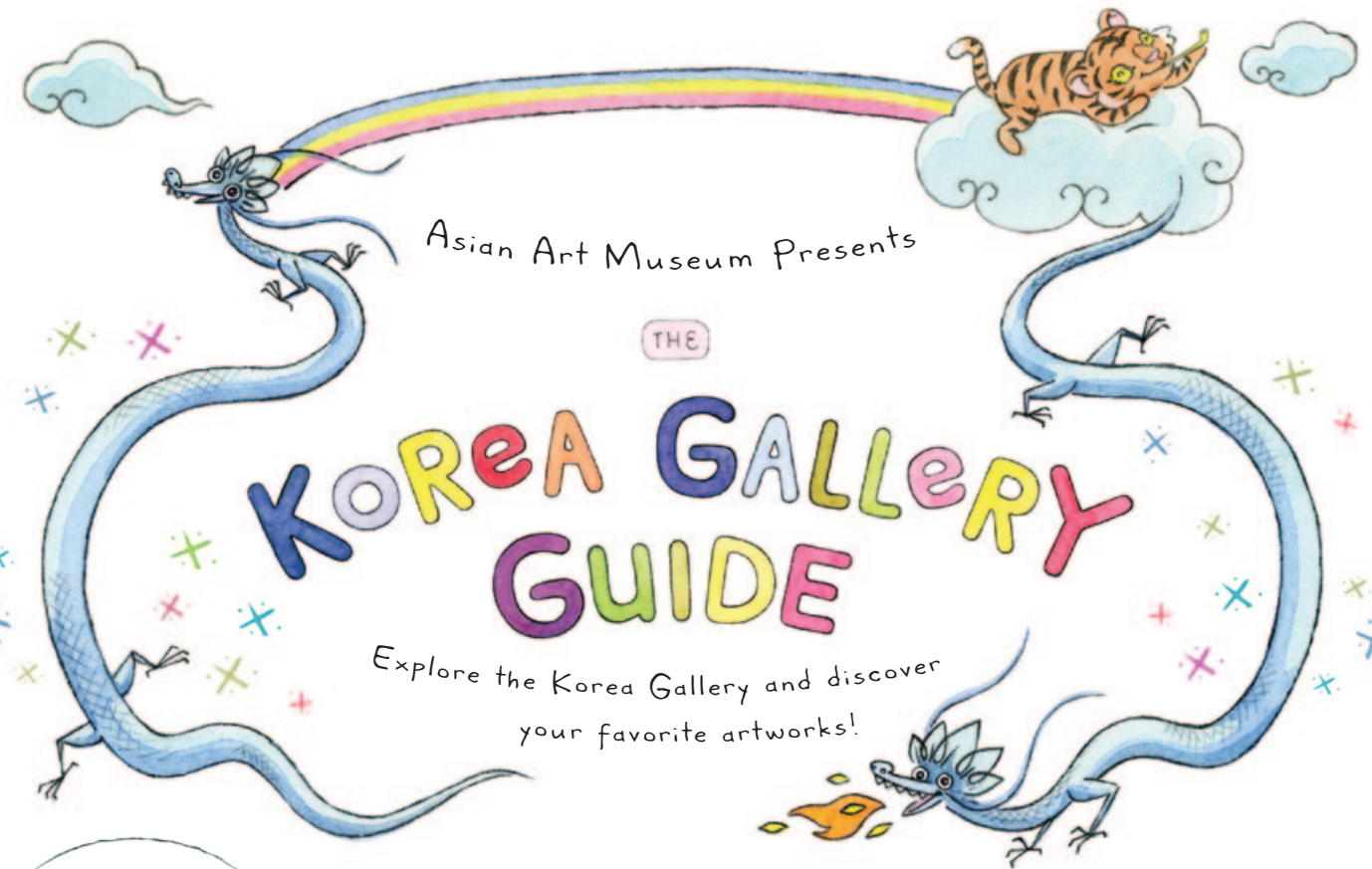


<p>Did You Know ...?</p>	<p>The world's first metal movable-type print was used in Korea about 60 years before Gutenberg's invention in Europe.</p>	<p>Hallyu (Korean Wave): Thanks to the internet, South Korea's popular culture - movies, TV programs, music, fashion and language - have gained popularity throughout Asia and the world since the 1990s.</p>
<p>Currently, the Korean peninsula is divided into the Republic of Korea in the south and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in the north.</p>	<p>The Korean peninsula covers 85,000 square miles, about the size of Great Britain and has a total population of 71.3 million.</p>	
<p>On the night of New Year's Day, people hide their shoes to avoid having a ghost try them on. Having the ghost steal the shoes is considered bad luck for the whole year.</p>	<p>The Korean writing system and the king, who presided over its creation in 1446, are celebrated with a national holiday each year.</p>	<p>Babies born in Korea are automatically one year old on the day of their birth, and they get one year older on January 1, not on their actual birthdays. If you're born December 31, you are considered two years old the next day!</p>
<p>Activity to Do at Home: Make a Korean Wrapping Cloth (Bojagi) You will need colorful magazine pages, a large square cutout from a paper grocery bag, the rest of the grocery bag, a ruler, scissors, and a glue stick. Cut randomly shaped pieces from the magazine pages. Glue them onto the square grocery-bag paper with no space between them. When you are finished filling the surface, cut 2-inch wide strips from the leftover grocery bag and glue them on the edges to form a border. Add decoration with markers or colored pencils on the border.</p>		<p>For more fun hands-on art activities, see www.asianart.org/asiaalive.htm</p>

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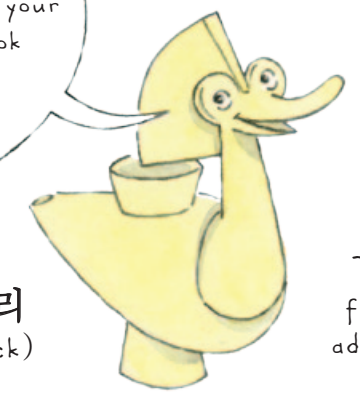


Asian Art Museum Presents

THE **KOREA GALLERY GUIDE**

Explore the Korea Gallery and discover your favorite artworks!

I'm Ori (that's duck in Korean!). I'll be your guide as you look at the arts of Korea.



오리 (duck)

Remember:


Explore and discover the art with your eyes, nose, and ears only.
Look at the art, from all directions, and share and compare your ideas. Feel free to sit on the floor as you talk, write, and draw, remembering the gallery is a quiet space.

This gallery guide is recommended for children ages 6 to 12 and their adults.

About Korea

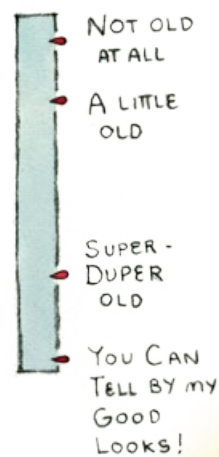
- Koreans are believed to descend from Mongol tribes that migrated onto the Korean peninsula from Central Asia about 10,000 years ago.
- Koreans have maintained culture while trading goods and ideas with their close neighbors China and Japan.
- In the Joseon dynasty (1392-1910), many new Korean cultural activities, and the modern Korean language and unique writing system called *Hangul* (meaning *great script*) developed.



 Find the display case with me (Ori, the duck) in it and read the label together.




AGE-O-METER



I was used in ceremonies to serve water or wine. Because ducks are able to travel on water, on land and in the air and as well as underwater, people thought we could control rain and thunder, survive floods, and protect a village from fire.

Do you have a container or a vessel that you use for special occasions? Make a drawing here and tell me why this special thing is important to you.



 Find the jar with the tiger and the magpie and look closely at it. What do you think the animals are doing?

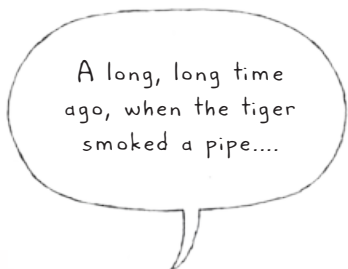
Many Korean folktales begin with the phrase: "A long, long time ago, when the tiger smoked a pipe." The tiger has many personalities, from ferocious and scary to magical, gentle, and playful. When the tiger meets other, smaller animals like birds, fish, and rabbits, it often ends up looking foolish and greedy.




In-Gallery Activity

Have your group sit in a circle. Say the phrase "A long, long time ago, when the tiger smoked a pipe . . ." and ask the next person in the circle to continue the story. Go around the circle with each person adding to the story until it's finished.

호랑이와 까치 (tiger and magpie)



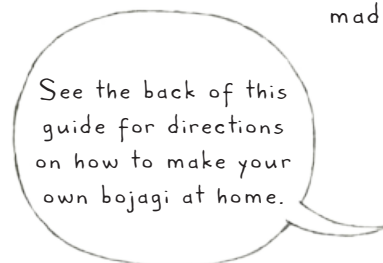
 Find the patchwork cloths in this gallery. These wrapping cloths (*bojagi* in Korean) may be used many ways, for example: as covering for leftover food, as a carrying bag, or as reusable gift wrap!

Wrapping something in a *bojagi* is regarded as wrapping it in good luck and keeping it safe.








Bojagi-making is a green technology! Can you think of other examples of art objects

made from recycled materials?




Treasure Hunt 

Let's look at display cases in the gallery together and find different-shaped containers and pots. Try to compare the size, shape, color, and details of each. What do you think each piece was used for? Here are some examples: cooking, drinking, storing, and even studying!

-  Can you find a bottle with a fish in this gallery?
-  How many dragons can you find in the gallery?
-  How many vases have multiple colors? Write down all the colors you find here.
-  How many artworks have writings on them? Count them all!
-  Find this vase:



-  My favorite at the museum!

