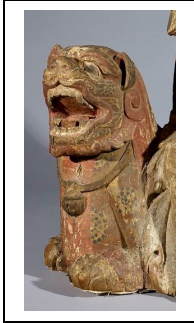


Tigers, and horses, and oxen, oh my! It's the Year of the Tiger!



Find these animals from the Chinese Zodiac in the Chinese gallery on the 3rd Museum.

Look on the back to find your Zodiac sign and see if you can find any more Chinese zodiac animals in the gallery! Good luck! **Pencils only please.**



1) This tiger is fabulous, but where are his stripes? What material do you think he is made of? _____



2) Two tigers in a row? Well, it *IS* the Year of the Tiger!

When you find this one, look closely. Why do you think he is split down the middle?



3) You' ll have to put your looking glasses on to find this galloping animal! What else do you see on this object?

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4) Man' s best friend may not always be furry, but this little fella is

still pretty cute! What else do you notice about him (or her!)?



5) This animal is one of the most celebrated in Chinese culture.

What is it?

Did you find them all? Good job!

Keep this as a souvenir from your visit to the Birmingham Museum of Art. See you soon!

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Chinese Zodiac

The Chinese zodiac is a twelve-year cycle in which each year is associated with a specific animal. Those born during the year of a certain animal were thought to share some of the qualities of that animal. The twelve animals in order are:

Rat	2008 1996 1984 1972 1960 1948 1936 1924 1912 1900
Ox	2009 1997 1985 1973 1961 1949 1937 1925 1913 1901
Tiger	2010 1998 1986 1974 1962 1950 1938 1926 1914 1902
Rabbit	2011 1999 1987 1975 1963 1951 1939 1927 1915 1903
Dragon	2012 2000 1988 1976 1964 1952 1940 1928 1916 1904
Snake	2013 2001 1989 1977 1965 1953 1941 1929 1917 1905
Horse	2014 2002 1990 1978 1966 1954 1942 1930 1918 1906
Goat	2015 2003 1991 1979 1967 1955 1943 1931 1919 1907
Monkey	2016 2004 1992 1980 1968 1956 1944 1932 1920 1908
Rooster	2017 2005 1993 1981 1969 1957 1945 1933 1921 1909
Dog	2018 2006 1994 1982 1970 1958 1946 1934 1922 1910
Pig	2019 2007 1995 1983 1971 1959 1947 1935 1923 1911

Chinese Calendar
Based on the cycles of the moon, the Chinese Lunar Calendar is different than the western calendar in that the beginning of the year will fall somewhere between late January and early February (not January 1st). The Chinese adopted the Western

The Twelve Animals

Ox

Solid as its structure is the ox represents a steadfast personality and a goal oriented individual. Hard working as they are people born in the year of the ox can also be stubborn and tend to be introversive.

Tiger

The tiger is a symbol of authority. Individuals born in the year of the tiger are as charming as the animal is while possessing a strong ambition and the courage to back that up. They are also known to be moody and warm hearted as well.

Rabbit

Rabbit people are true social animals. They love to be around friends and family and enjoy popularity. They are also known to be sincere and always try to avoid conflict.

Dragon

Energy is the overriding quality in those born in the year of the dragon. People born in the year of this powerful mythical animal are warm hearted and full of charisma. At the same time they tend to be egotistic and possess a natural tendency to become leaders.

Snake

The symbol of the snake represents a charming and seductive character that has an introverted nature. Analytical in their approach snake people are smart enough to be dangerous. They are also known to have a strong intuitive spirit which sometimes takes precedence over their brains.

Horse

Individuals born in the year of the horse are known to possess a free spirit. Full of energy and reliant upon themselves horse people are known to be good with money. They love to be intimate and roam the earth but at the same time they are known to be impatient and unsteady.

Goat

Goat people are known to be deep thinkers. Although unorganized in nature they possess a lot of creativity and are sensitive to their surroundings. Individuals born in the year of the goat require a lot of love and support from their acquaintances.

Monkey

Those born in the year of the monkey are known to possess a fun loving spirit. Full of energy and an upbeat attitude there is no stopping the monkey people once they get going. Although they are believed to be good listeners they can be big time heart breakers as well.

Rooster

The rooster represents a highly practical character that is observant of his surroundings and likes to analyze things accordingly. Individuals born under this sign are known for their trust and honesty.

Dog

Loyalty, honesty and faithfulness are the key qualities found in the character that the zodiac sign of the dog represents. They tend to be sensitive in nature but have a good business sense.

Pig

The pig represents a very friendly character that possesses a perfectionist spirit. Generally, they are known to be very helpful towards their friends but things can get real ugly if provoked.