

Suggested Topics for the Asian Arts Council Study Group,
FY 18, September 2017 to June 2018
Exploring Chinese art and Paintings

You are invited to come to the Study Group, May15th, 10 am to hear Tom Dillon give his presentation on *Persian Art: Umayyad and early Abbasid Caliphates*. Signing up for next year's topics and dates begins after Tom's presentation! Invite your friends!

Topic Suggestions from Diana Chou, Ph.D., Associate Curator of Asian Art:

- How to look at Chinese painting
- Chinese painting formats (history and formats—handscroll)
- Themes in Chinese art and paintings
 - Lady figures
 - Landscapes
 - Bird & Flowers
 - Ancestral Portrait
 - Animals
 - Historical or literary narratives
 - Buddhist or Daoist subjects
 - Architectural settings (could include gardens)
- Modern/Contemporary Chinese ink painting
- Eight Eccentrics of Yangzhou School (Painting)
- Shanghai School (Painting)
- Jesuit missionaries and Chinese Art
- Ten Bamboo Studio (prints)
- 19th century Chinese export art and painting
- T-Banner (Han dynasty)
- Ku Gaizhi's *The Admonitions of the Instructress to the Court Ladies*
- Dunhuang art (many media)
- Tang arts



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- Northern Song monumental landscapes
- Emperor Huizong of Song Dynasty (and his artistic taste)
- Southern Song court painting
- Yuan Painters
- Court painters of the Ming Dynasty
- Zhe School
- Wu School (Shen Zhou, Wen Zhengming)
- Dong Qichang and Songjiang School
- Northern & Southern Schools of Chinese painting
- Painting techniques/ process and Xie He's Six Laws/
Six Cannons/ Six Principles
- Zhang Daqian & his works
- Famous paintings on embroidery



General Chinese art topics for consideration:

Buddhism in Chinese art	Literati
Calligraphy	Music and Instruments
Ceramics	Prints
Cloisonné	Sculpture
Cultures and Subcultures	Seals
Furniture	Snuff bottles
Jewelry	Stories & Characters
Lacquer	Textiles (robes, etc.)



From Top: Huang Shen, *Pavilion in Landscape*, 18th C, China, 1970.4.1. 17th century China Painting Scroll Painting, 1970.4.1. *Lohan with Tiger*, 18th C, China, 2006.261. Gao You, *Ten Bamboo Studio Print*, 1643, 1955.102.24. *Female Daoist Immortal Holding a Fan*, 19thC, China, 1938.250.a. *Bird and Flower*, China, 1987.7.3-6.