RABBIT HOPS IN! A street vendor displays different lucky charms, including golden colored Rabbits, while waiting for customers in the Chinatown area of Manila, the Philippines, in this February 1, 2011 AP photo. This year’s Lunar New Year celebration welcomes the Year of the Rabbit. Those born in the Year of the Rabbit are usually hospitable, honorable, and expressive individuals. The Asian Reporter’s special section celebrating the Lunar New Year begins on page 10. (AP Photo/Pat Roque, File)

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The Year of the Rabbit arrives January 22, 2023, and its arrival will be celebrated by people throughout the world with various traditions and celebrations. Considered by many to be the oldest calendar system in the world, the Chinese lunar calendar traces its origin back as far as 2637 B.C.E. Each year is represented by one of the 12 animals of the zodiac: Rat, Ox, Tiger, Rabbit, Dragon, Snake, Horse, Goat, Monkey, Rooster, Dog, and Pig.

Similar to many traditions, the observation dates back to an ancient legend: China’s Jade Emperor wanted to determine the order of the calendar, so he called upon 12 animals in the kingdom to participate in a race. In the order in which the animals finished determined the placement in the calendar. The Rabbit finished fourth, after the Rat, Ox, and Tiger. In 2023, we celebrate the delicate and intelligent Rabbit.

Similar to celebrations observed by multiple cultures, the Lunar New Year is known by many names. In Vietnam, it is known as Tet Nguyen Dan. In China, the year is celebrated with the Spring Festival, also known as Chaul Chnam Thmey, and in Thailand, the celebration occurs in April. China recognizes the Spring Festival, Chuen Jie, when families and friends come together to wish each other happiness and pay respects to ancestors in a celebration that begins on the New Year and continues for 15 days.

What sign are you?

The Gregorian and Chinese lunar calendars

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A few animal characteristics

Rat: Honest, idealistic, practical, sentimental, argumentative, greedy
Ox: Careful, diligent, generous, patient, enthusiastic, stubborn
Tiger: Ambitious, dynamic, honorable, bold, critical, impatient
Rabbit: Artistic, considerate, intelligent, peaceful, hesitant, judgemental
Dragon: Energetic, faithful, generous, sincere, defensive, opinionated
Snake: Chastful, elegant, organized, reflective, anxious, possessive
Horse: Calm, confident, independent, talented, contradictory, moody
Sheep: Adaptive, creative, empathetic, polite, impractical, pessimistic
Monkey: Charming, sensitive, vivacious, wise, cunning, selfish
Rooster: Adventurous, courageous, funny, hardworking, cynical, vain
Dog: Brave, devoted, knowledgeable, trustworthy, disagreeable, strict
Pig: Affectionate, cheerful, obliging, optimistic, naive, shambling

Year of the Rabbit

The Rabbit is the fourth animal of the lunar zodiac. Those born under the Rabbit sign are generally considered to be artistic, peaceful, intelligent individuals who are diplomatic, considerate, and affectionate. They are also known for their tendency to be secretive and at times can be indifferent. Rabbits born between January 22, 2023, and February 9, 2024 are Water Rabbits. The water element enhances a Rabbit’s sensitive quality, so they tend to be fragile and emotional by nature. Water Rabbits are usually popular among friends and family, as they can relate to how others feel. Sometimes they become too attached or overemotional about the problems of others, though. Water Rabbits dislike conflict and confrontation.

Rabbit facts

Year of the Rabbit: January 22, 2023 to February 9, 2024
Chinese Calendar Year: 4721
Characteristics: Those born in the Year of the Rabbit are expressive, diplomatic, and mannered. They are considerate but sometimes are hesitant and judgemental. Cultured and artistic, Rabbits decorate their homes beautifully and are often well-dressed. Water Rabbits find people compromise to avoid conflict and try hard to keep the peace and make everyone happy.

Best careers: Rabbits tend to be good art collectors, librarians, lawyers, pharmacists, public relations executives, interior decorators, tailors, accountants, chemists, and politicians.

Born in the Year of the Rabbit: Confucius, César Chávez, Jet Li, Tiger Woods, Albert Einstein, Jaime Lim, Wayne Chan, Jason Lim.

Happy Lunar New Year!
Ruby and the zodiac animals go on an adventure

Ruby’s Chinese New Year

By Vickie Lee
Illustrations by Joey Chou

Henry Holt and Co., 2017
Hardcover, 40 pages, $17.99

By Judy Lim
The Asian Reporter

Ruby’s Chinese New Year is a picture book aimed at children between four and eight years old, but both young and seasoned readers will enjoy this book. I read it to my five-year-old nephew and he thoroughly enjoyed the delightful story and colorful drawings.

On the first page, we meet Ruby, a bubbly child who finds out that her grandmother is unable to travel to visit her. For as long as she could remember, Ruby and her grandmother would celebrate the Lunar New Year together, “eating special foods and making drawings for good luck.”

Soon after hearing the news, Ruby makes a decision: “If grandmother could not come to Ruby, Ruby would go grandmother!”

“She’s going to see her,” my nephew chimes in enthusiastically.

On a red piece of paper, Ruby draws a picture of her family sitting at a table full of “noodles, dumplings, fish, vegetables, and holiday sweets,” then folds the creation, places the gift in a red envelope, and heads out on an adventure.

Along her journey, Ruby meets a Cat and a Rat and asks them to join her in delivering the gift for her grandmother. Ruby and the two animals discuss how to travel across the meadow and pond. Rat’s solution: “Let’s ask Ox. She’s so strong and dependable.”

Soon they meet Tiger and Rabbit who are flying colorful streamers, and discover Dragon and Snake making red paper lanterns. “Ribbons,” says my nephew, “and homemade decorations for the party!”

Next the group discovers Horse and Goat grazing in the

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they can meadow and Monkey and Rooster catching

She was so close!

But the red envelope falls into the pond, and the animals help retrieve Ruby’s gift from the water.

“Ah no,” cried Ruby. “It’s ruined. Everything is ruined.”

“She’s sad because her card is broken,” says my nephew.

“It’s not ruined!” Rooster crows in the book.

The animals and Ruby continue on their way with the wet gift. Dog and Pig greet them upon arriving at their destination.

“Ruby! What a wonderful surprise,” grandmother says.

“Everything is okay; they have each other,” my nephew proclaims. (Such wise words from a preschooler.)

Ruby’s Chinese New Year is filled with vibrant and lively images of Ruby and the animals of the zodiac. At the end of book, readers are also treated to the legend of the Lunar New Year gathering. But there is a small, sleepy twist; you’ll have to read it to find out.

Ruby and the zodiac animals — a lovely Lunar New Year book we can all enjoy.

Lunar New Year book

A new Year of the Rabbit stamp is the fourth in the third series by the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) celebrating the Lunar New Year. The Rabbit stamp will be dedicated on Thursday, January 12 at the Asian Art Museum in San Francisco.

The Lunar New Year is one of the most important holidays of the year for many Asian communities around the world and is celebrated by people of Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese, Thai, Korean, and Filipino and other heritages.

In the United States and elsewhere, the occasion is celebrated in various ways on New Year’s day and in the days that follow. Across many cultures, numerous traditions exist for ringing in a new year of good luck and prosperity.

In communities across the United States, people shop for food and other supplies, hang decorations, and ceremoniously clean their homes and streets to welcome the year with a fresh start. Many people also attend parades and special events.

2023 Rabbit stamp

Utilizing red, pink, and purple as the predominant colors — said to be lucky colors for individuals born during the Year of the Rabbit — the mask of the Rabbit in the new stamp’s art incorporates elements of Asian textiles in mind as well as green flowers that represent the arrival of spring, which the Lunar New Year also signals in Chinese culture.

The crescent shape in the center of the Rabbit’s head references the lunar calendar on which Lunar New Year is based and the celestial themes of the lunar zodiac.

Art director Antonio Alcalá designed the stamp artwork by Camille Chew.

The first stamp, a Year of the Rabbit stamp worth 29 cents, was issued in 1992. Another feature of this series were hanji characters written by a professional calligrapher.

Lunar New Year stamp

Celebrating the Year of the Rabbit

January 22, 2023 to February 9, 2024

Lunar New Year sale

January 11-24, 2023

Lucky Red Envelope Card Giveaway!

Spend $30 or more during our Lunar New Year Sale and receive a lucky red envelope card in honor of Lunar New Year. Peel to reveal your special prize!
The staff at The Asian Reporter wish you and your family a safe and happy Lunar New Year!
The Rabbit

2023 is your year, Rabbit, and it's a year of hope, so go for it! Use your intellect, learned experiences, and the enthusiasm you bring to help pursue your goals and aspirations. Act diplomatically when encountering complicated situations, do not allow your tendency to be indecisive hold you back, and always remain modest. While it should be a good year, remember to guard your wealth you've accumulated.

Element specific:
- **Metal Rabbit:** Don't be timid in 2023, Metal Rabbit. Gather your confidence and try something new.
- **Water Rabbit:** Being sensitive is a good trait for the Water Rabbit; use it to sympathize with others' feelings.
- **Wood Rabbit:** Generous and easygoing Wood Rabbits should use their creative and adventurous side to achieve happiness in 2023.
- **Fire Rabbit:** The affectionate Fire Rabbit should raise their mood by seeking leadership opportunities.
- **Earth Rabbit:** Earth Rabbits should embrace their decisive yet practical traits to achieve their goals.

The Dragon

The enthusiastic and principled Dragon will experience success and have attention focused on them this year, as long as they hold back their impatient and defensive tendencies. If clear goals are set, progress and success are likely. Those who are courageous and visionary will have the tools necessary to overcome any roadblocks in 2023.

Element specific:
- **Metal Dragon:** The expressive and determined Metal Dragon should set new goals, big or small, this Rabbit Year.
- **Water Dragon:** A balanced and optimistic Water Dragon needs to pay close attention to the tasks that are actually attainable.
- **Wood Dragon:** The Wood Dragon should keep logic and reason at the forefront when making decisions.
- **Fire Dragon:** Perfectionist Fire Dragons will need to find a balance in their impulsiveness and leadership abilities.
- **Earth Dragon:** Cooperative and sociable Earth Dragons should focus on family and friends this year.

The Snake

A lucky year is in store for the Snake, who had a tough year a little better. During 2023, the opportunistic Metal Snake; set aside funds and start to think of the future.

Element specific:
- **Metal Snake:** Ambitious Metal Snakes should be open to learning new skills and be careful about all aspects of their life in 2023.
- **Water Snake:** Water Snakes should cultivate healthy relationships in 2023. Toxins may bring you down, so be sure to remove them.
- **Wood Snake:** Wood Snakes should work on their anger and open-minded to new opportunities. Be cautious.
- **Fire Snake:** Fire Snakes should remain focused this Rabbit Year in order to finish any projects they start.
- **Earth Snake:** Earth Snakes should find a hobby that is right for you, as it can bring good fortune to your family and friends.

The Tiger

The Year of the Tiger will be a lucky one for the energetic and principled Tiger. Be generous with your time, idealistic in your pursuits, and open-minded to new opportunities to maximize your blessings. During your lucky year, remember also to show compassion toward friends and family and help strengthen those important relationships.

Element specific:
- **Metal Tiger:** The active and passionate Metal Tiger should exercise confidence and flexibility in 2023.
- **Water Tiger:** Take on Rabbit's Year clearly and objectively to maximize your lucky year.
- **Wood Tiger:** The charming Wood Tiger should enjoy an active social life this year.
- **Fire Tiger:** Optimistic and capable Fire Tigers should contain their explosive tempers during the Year of the Rabbit.
- **Earth Tiger:** The Earth Tiger will roar in 2023, as long as they are fair and reasonable.

The Horse

The Year of the Rabbit may bring tough luck to the anxious and hard-nosed Horse. The calm, confident, and sincere Horse should work very hard to make a rough year a little better. During this Rabbit Year, flexible Horses may be able to turn an unlucky event into good fortune for their family and friends. The year will also have good times; energetic Horses should gallop toward those events and savour them.

Element specific:
- **Metal Horse:** Focusing on good health is an important goal for the stubborn Metal Horse.
- **Water Horse:** The Water Horse should strive to overcome inconsistency to experience success.
- **Wood Horse:** The high-spirited Wood Horse should be kind to others and put their best foot forward in 2023.
- **Fire Horse:** Fire Horses should organize their personal and professional schedules to stay on top of everything.
- **Earth Horse:** Earth Horses should find a hobby that is a good fit for them, then step back from some of their responsibilities to occasionally enjoy it.

The Sheep

Tough luck is in store for the impractical Sheep during the Year of the Rabbit. Adaptable, candid, and imaginative Sheep need to shed illogical thinking to shear off the chance of a rocky year. Be sure to spend time with the important people in your life. In addition, pay attention to your health and listen to what your body is telling you.

Element specific:
- **Metal Sheep:** The shy or sensitive Metal Sheep should work toward harmony and security during the Rabbit Year.
- **Water Sheep:** Opportunistic Water Sheep should shed their fear of change.
- **Wood Sheep:** Opportunity may come knocking; be sure to act promptly after consulting trusted friends.
- **Fire Sheep:** Fire Sheep should remain focused this Rabbit Year in order to finish any projects they start.
- **Earth Sheep:** Always give your best to make each day a little better for those around you.

The Monkey

The Year of the Monkey may be a bit rough for the deceitful Monkey, but an inventive, enthusiastic, and sensitive Monkey may lessen its intensity. Monkeys will need to work very hard to have some stability this year. Problem-solving Monkeys will thoroughly analyze new opportunities and chances that arise and be careful about all aspects of their life in 2023.

Element specific:
- **Metal Monkey:** A big decision is on the horizon. Be rational and confident when evaluating the potential options and outcomes.
- **Water Monkey:** Water Monkey should cultivate healthy relationships in 2023. Toxins may bring you down, so be sure to remove them.
- **Wood Monkey:** Wood Monkey should cultivate healthy relationships in 2023. Toxins may bring you down, so be sure to remove them.
- **Fire Monkey:** Fire Monkey, that without out clear targets, not much is accomplished.
- **Earth Monkey:** Earth Monkeys should focus on the safety of themselves and others to avoid potential incidents.

The Rooster

Thoughtless Roosters will endure a rocky Year of the Rooster in 2023. Charming, capable, and brave Roosters will need to work really hard to overcome the challenges that may come their way. The communicative nature and generous spirit of Roosters will be the key to having a productive year, as will prompt and clear thinking.

Element specific:
- **Metal Rooster:** An important decision will descend upon you this year; seek advice if needed.
- **Water Rooster:** Take time in 2023 to rejuvenate relationships and friendships from the past.
Year of the Rabbit forecasts

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- Wood Rooster: Wood Roosters should act courageously this year and continue to be good troubleshooters.
- Fire Rooster: Fire Roosters should listen very carefully to family and friends.
- Earth Rooster: The Year of the Rabbit may become full of responsibilities, both new and old.

The Dog

After a lucky Tiger Year, the Year of the Rabbit may bring tough luck to the dishonorable Dog. Idealistic and responsible Dogs will be well served by barking, working hard, and acting unselfishly. Being helpful and loyal to others may aid dutiful Dogs in their pursuit to keep 2023 stable and productive.

Element specific:
- Metal Dog: Surround yourself with positive people this year. Don’t be nervous.
- Water Dog: 2023 may end up being one in which you must work really hard to achieve your goals.
- Fire Dog: Take on an unforeseen task this Rabbit Year, as it may enlighten you to new things.
- Earth Dog: Be cautious when taking on a new project during the Year of the Rabbit.

The Pig

Rough times may be around the corner for the overconfident Pig. Self-sacrificing, forgiving, and knowledgeable Pigs may avoid the trough of misfortune by finding motivation and focusing on goals and priorities. In addition, sensible and caring Pigs should spend time focusing on personal and familial relationships.

Element specific:
- Metal Pig: Help raise up those around you in 2023. Your efforts will not only help them, but also bring you joy and satisfaction.
- Water Pig: Investing in education or expanding your horizons may help you reach your goals.
- Wood Pig: The Rabbit Year may present many activities to keep you busy and also help plan for the future.
- Fire Pig: Meeting problems head on during the Year of the Rabbit will help put your life in order.
- Earth Pig: Earth Pigs should focus on a specific skill and satisfaction.

USPS issues Year of the Rabbit Lunar New Year stamp

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Visual calligrapher. The series ended in 2005. After the initial series of stamps concluded, members of the Asian community urged USPS to continue its issuance of Lunar New Year stamps annually.

Second series released in 2008

The second set of stamps was called the Celebrating Lunar New Year series and the first stamp was released in 2008. Instead of following the route of illustrating the zodiac animals, artist Kam Mak chose to depict symbolic objects of Lunar New Year celebrations — a red lantern, the lion dance, firecrackers, drums, lucky bamboo, and more. The stamps also featured small animal illustrations, in a traditional paper-cutout style, by Lee, the artist who created the first stamp series in 1992. Mak designed the series with artist director Ethel Kessler.

To learn more, or to purchase the new Lunar New Year stamp, call 1-800-STAMP24 (1-800-782-6724) or visit <www.usps.com/stamps>.

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- Wood Pigs should focus on a specific skill and satisfaction.

Scheduling your updated booster

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Have a safe and prosperous Year of the Rabbit!
Lunar New Year events

DRAGON DANCE PARADE. The Lunar New Year Dragon Dance Parade & Celebration on January 28 starts at 10:00am at the Portland Chinatown Museum with lion dances, drummers, and a 150-foot dragon. The parade then travels through downtown Portland and ends at the Oregon Historical Society Museum. (AR Photo/Jan Landis, File)

Historical Society Museum. (AR Photo/Jan Landis, File)

Celebrate the Year of the Rabbit with friends and family at a Spring Festival celebration organized by the Seattle Chinese Association and Chinese Microsoft Employee Network. A food court, an afternoon performance, games, gifts, a photo booth with traditional Chinese outfits, and more are featured during the afternoon portion of the event, which takes place from noon to 5:00pm. The evening gala held at McCaw Hall is from 6:30pm to 9:00pm. For info, or to buy tickets, call (206) 684-7200 or visit <www.seattlelent.com>.

VCA Chinese New Year

Jan 28, 5-7pm (light meal & games), 7-9pm (performances), Skyview High School (1300 NW 139th St, Vancouver, Wash.). Enjoy food, performances, and more at the Vancouver Chinese Association’s (VCA) Chinese New Year celebration. For info, or to purchase tickets (required), e-mail <vca_asiat@yahoo.com> or visit <https://vca-va.org/vca-2023-new-years-gala>. For addresses of businesses selling tickets in person, visit <www.facebook.com/VcAasian/>. 

Lunar New Year: Altars, Ancestors, Traditions, Blessings”

Jan 29, 2022-Jan 8, 2023, 10am-5pm (Tue-Sun), Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience (719 S King St, Seattle). Learn about how different cultures observe the Lunar New Year at “Lunar New Year: Altars, Ancestors, Traditions, Blessings,” a new exhibit at The Wing. For info, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <www.wingluke.org>. 

Northwest China Council New Year Gala

Feb 5, 5-9pm, Happy Dragon Restaurant (707 NE 82nd Ave, Portland). Attend the Northwest China Council’s annual Chinese New Year Gala ringing in the Year of the Rabbit. The event features a 10-course banquet, silent auction, performance, door prizes, and music. For info, or to purchase tickets (by February 3 at 5:00pm), call (503) 558-5492, e-mail <info@nwchina.org>, or visit <www.nwchina.org>.

First of all, I don’t even like carrots

By Wayne Chan

The Asian Reporter

I have been living a lie. I’m not who I thought I was. Apparently, everything I said about myself is in question.

It wasn’t intentional. I would have been fine if I had never found out the truth about my identity. But somehow, someone was going to live with myself. You see, I am not a Dragon.

I am reminded every Lunar New Year, which this year begins January 22 in 2023, we are celebrating the Year of the Rabbit.

For years, actually decades, I had the firm belief I was born in the Year of the Dragon. Why would I think this? When I was a kid, there was no internet. Most people learned information at school, or if they wanted to find out something specific, they read an encyclopedia.

Fortunately for me, I was reminded that I was born in the Year of the Dragon every time my parents took me to their favorite Chinese restaurant.

When we sat down at our favorite booth, it was right there on the table in front of us—a paper placemat with red lanterns and large lantern sculptures—which is held on the evenings of January 26 to 29 and February 2 to 5 (separate admission tickets are required). For info, to obtain a complete schedule of activities, or to purchase admission. For info, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <www.lansu.org>. Or traditional lucky red envelopes at entry. The 16-day festival, which ends February 5, includes Chinese brush painting, family craft activities, a Chopstick challenge, foods of the New Year, a lion dance workshop, a Chinese calligraphy workshop, and more. Another highlight of the celebration is Lunar New Year Lantern Viewing—illuminated hanging red lanterns and large lantern sculptures—which is held on the evenings of January 26 to 29 and February 2 to 5 (separate admission tickets are required). For info, to obtain a complete schedule of activities, or to purchase admission. For info, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <www.lansu.org>.

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