

Make art

with the Art Gallery of New South Wales



**Do you love
to make
things?**

Artists love to create.

They make drawings, prints, paintings, sculptures and other things for us to look at. Some artists make art about stories, myths and legends. The different creatures they depict can encourage us to get creative too.

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above:
Unknown artist, Vietnam *Dragon ewer* mid 1400s
stoneware; moulded, with underglaze blue and white decoration
Art Gallery of New South Wales, purchased 2000

Photo: AGNSW



Dancing dragon

above from left:
Soga Shōhaku
Dragon mid to late 1700s (detail)
hanging scroll; ink on silk in paulownia wood storage box
Art Gallery of New South Wales, purchased with funds donated by Warwick and Ann Johnson and the Asian Collection Benefactors Fund 2007

Meigyokuzan
Vase with design of flowers and phoenixes and dragon-shaped spout and handle 1800s (detail)
enamelled porcelain
Art Gallery of New South Wales, gift of Charles Binnie 1924
Photos: AGNSW

Create your own dancing dragon puppet inspired by these dragons from the Gallery's collection. To make your dragon's body, use the rectangular shapes on the next page to make a paper chain (tip: the more strips you use, the longer the dragon's body will be). Cut out the head and tail shapes and stick them to the chain. Attach a paddle-pop stick or skewer to the head and tail so you can make your dragon undulate and dance.

You will need:

Scissors
Sticky tape
Textas or colouring pencils
2 paddle-pop sticks or skewers
Your imagination!



