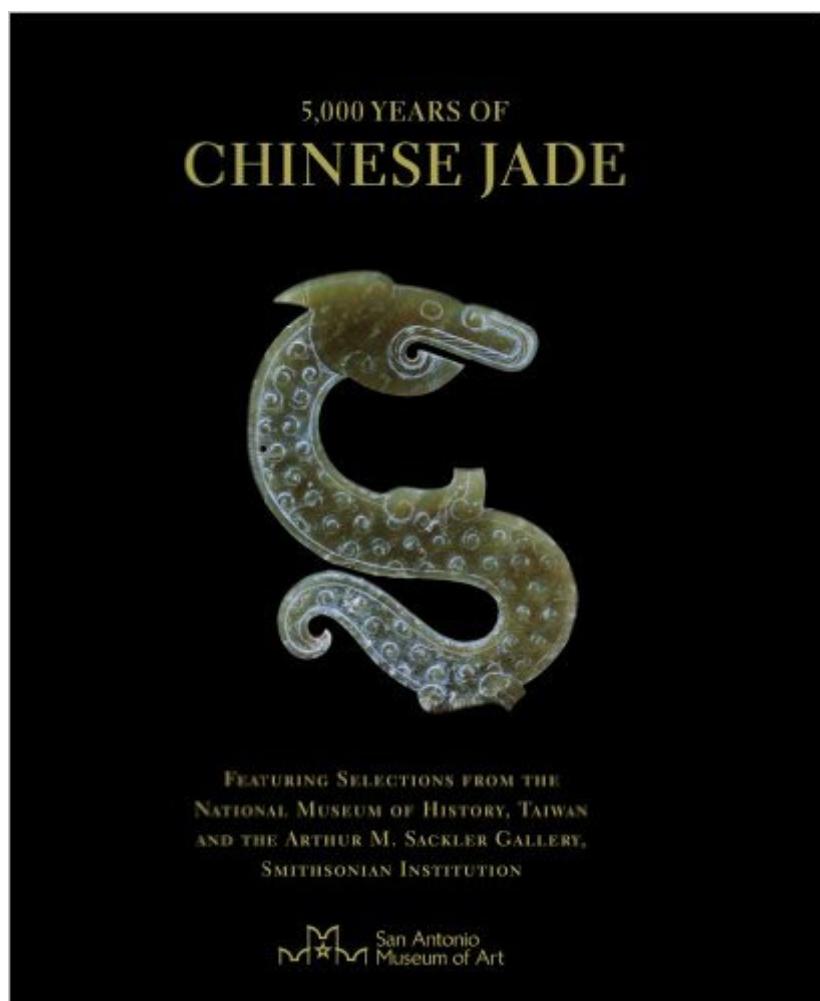


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# 5,000 Years Of Chinese Jade: Featuring Selections From The National Museum Of History, Taiwan, And The Arthur M. Sackler Gallery, Smithsonian Institution



## **Synopsis**

5,000 Years of Chinese Jade is a concise visual survey of art-historically important jade spanning the Neolithic period to the 19th century, offering a stunning visual journey through themes and time periods important in the history of jade in China. The book is arranged chronologically in five main periods: Neolithic, Shang to Zhou dynasty, Han to Song dynasty, Yuan and Ming dynasties, and the Qing dynasty. Primary subjects and themes include ritual objects, weapons, scholars' objects, adornments and jewelry, and vessels, providing an important new resource for the study of Chinese jade.

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5,000 Years of Chinese Jade Featuring Selections from the National Museum of History, Taiwan and the Arthur M. Sackler Collection, Smithsonian Institution is a major international exhibition organized by SAMA and held in conjunction with the City of San Antonio's yearlong celebration of Taiwan. With its broad historical approach, the exhibition provides an opportunity to experience the great breadth of Chinese history through outstanding works of art arranged chronologically. Principal types represented in the jade exhibition include ritual objects, weapons, scholars' objects, adornments and jewelry, and vessels. The jades vary greatly in color, size, date, and function. An Education Gallery located in the exhibition allows visitors to further explore the subject through videos, books, and computer resources. The primary lender to the exhibition is the National Museum of History in Taipei, Taiwan. The National Museum of History has generously contributed forty-five outstanding jade works of art to the exhibition. Of particular interest are five jades from the

Spring and Autumn period (770 - 476 BC) classified as Important National Treasures of Taiwan. Most of the jades from Taiwan, including the National Treasures, will be on view in America for the first time. Another prestigious lender to 5,000 Years of Chinese Jade is the Arthur M. Sackler Gallery at the Smithsonian Institution. Twenty-four jades from the celebrated Sackler Collection complement the jade objects from Taiwan. Highlights from the Sackler Gallery include the famous Han dynasty Bear (220 BC - AD 221) and Song dynasty Hound (960-1279).

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