

Traditional New Year picture - Prosperity and honour (Vietnamese: Phú quý)

Southeast Asian Collection

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Type: woodblock print

Date of production: second half of the 20th century

Place of production: Bắc Ninh province, Đông Hồ village, Vietnam, Southeast Asia

Materials/Technique
s: paper, coloured woodblock print

Dimensions: height: 36 cm
width: 26 cm

The image, made in the Đông Hồ workshop in Vietnam, shows a boy petting a duck against a white background. The title is also a wish for good luck: it wishes its owner abundance and much happiness. In fact, the woodcut expresses the full wish with the image's counterpart, a boy stroking a rooster (Eminecence). This is one of Đông Hồ's most popular woodblock print subjects, and an essential accessory for Tết (Lunar New Year) celebrations.

