

Unicorn Head Bust



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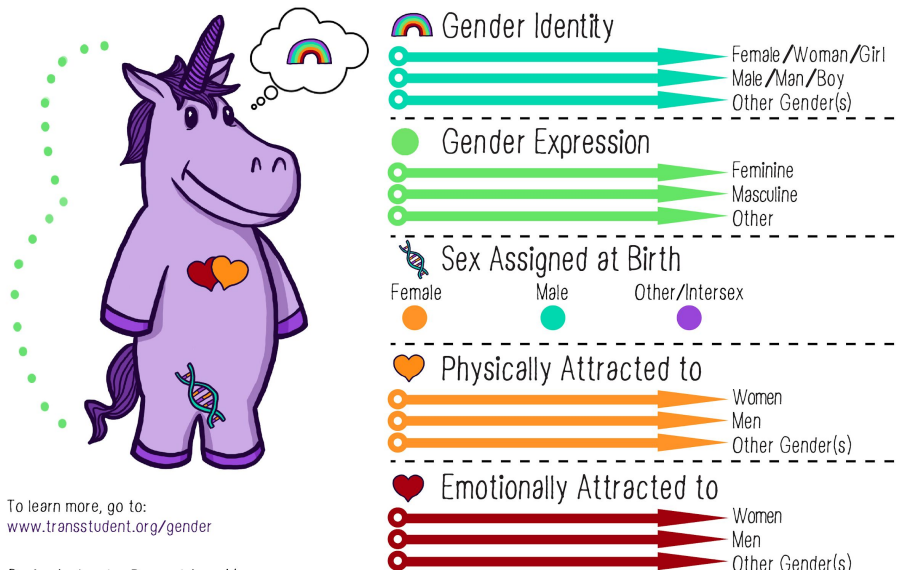
Why a unicorn ?

‘cuz i’m transgender

This Gender Unicorn is used to
simply teach about the differences
between sex and gender

The Gender Unicorn

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Pliny (23-79 A.D.) depicted an animal "with a body like a horse, head like a stag, feet like an elephant and tail like a boar ... one black horn two cubits long projects from the middle of its forehead." "This animal cannot be taken alive" (Hunt , 2013).

Unicorn History

Julius Caesar (102-44 B.C.) described an "ox, shaped like a stag," with a sing tall, straight horn, which sticks up higher and straighter than those of the animals we know, and it lived in the Hercynian Forest in Germany (Hunt, 2013).

Unicorn History

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Unicorn mentioned in the Bible:
Numbers 23:22, 24:8, Deuteronomy 33:17,
Job 39:9-12, Psalms 22:21, Psalm 29:6,
Psalms 92:10, Isaiah 34:7

The earliest description is from Ctesias [Greek Historian 5 BC], who in their book Indika ("On India") described them as wild asses, fleet of foot, having a horn a cubit and a half (700 mm, 28 inches) in length, and colored white, red and black (Wikipedia).

The horn itself and the substance it was made of was called alicorn, and it was believed that the horn holds magical and medicinal properties (Wikipedia)

The first objects unearthed from Harappa and Mohenjo-Daro, major sites of the Indus Valley Civilization, were small stone seals inscribed with elegant depictions of animals, including a unicorn-like figure, and marked with Indus script writing which still baffles scholars. These seals are dated back to 2500 B.C (Wikipedia)



Unicorn Artwork

Artist: Domenichino (1581-1641)

Title: Virgin and Unicorn
(A Virgin with a Unicorn)

Date: circa 1602

Medium: fresco

The Middle Ages (400- 1400) saw the introduction of the white unicorn in art & manuscripts. Symbol of virginity, purity, & chastity (Gutiérrez, 2017).



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Unicorn Artwork

Artist: Unknown, Strassburg

Title: Wild person with unicorn (English)

Date: circa 1500/1510



Unicorn Artwork

Artist: Französischer Tapisseur

Title: Virgin with Unicorn (English)

Date: 15 century



Unicorn Artwork

Artist: Maerten de Vos (1532-1603)

Title: Unicorn

Date: 1572

Medium: oil on oak panel



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Unicorn Artwork

Artist: Armand Point (1861-1932, French)

Title: Autumn - Exotic Beauty with Unicorn



Unicorn Artwork

"A mon seul desir" from the "Lady and the Unicorn" tapestries in the Museum National du Moyen Age, Paris

Date: between 1484 and 1500

Artist: Unknown



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