Images for *Astronomic Arts*
Lesson Plans, Grades 1-4

*African Cosmos: Stellar Arts*
National Museum of African Art
June 20-December 6, 2012
Image 1
Cloth Wrapper with adinkra stamps
Asante peoples, Ghana
Mid to late 19th century
Imported cotton cloth, black pigment
National Museum of African Art, Smithsonian Institution, museum purchase, 83-3-8
Adinkra Stamps

Star

Moon and Star

Galaxy

Sun

Image 2, Image 3, Image 4, Image 5
Adinkra stamps, Asante peoples, Ghana
Mid-20th century
Gourd, pigment
National Museum of African Art, Smithsonian Institution, gift of the Roy and Brigitta Mitchell Collection
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<td>Love, faithfulness, harmony</td>
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<td>Star/Child of the Heavens</td>
<td>“A child of the Supreme Being I do not depend on myself. My illumination is only a reflection of His.” Guardianship</td>
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<td>God is in the Heavens</td>
<td>“God, there is something in the heavens, let me reach it.” Hope</td>
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<td>“It takes the moon sometime to go round the nation.” Patience, understanding</td>
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Untitled, Gavin Jantjes
South Africa
1989-1990
Acrylic on canvas
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*Untitiled*, Garth Erasmus
South Africa
1996
Acrylic and crayon on paper
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Image 8
Face mask (Kanaga)
Dogon peoples, Mali
Mid-late 20th century
Wood, pigment
National Museum of African Art, gift of Walt Disney World Co., a subsidiary of The Walt Disney Company
2005-6-533
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Face mask (Bedu)
Nafana peoples, Bondoukou region, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana
Mid-20th century
Wood, paint, metal
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Chi wara kun crest mask
Bamana peoples, Mali
Early 20th century
Wood, metal
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Image 11
Chi wara kun crest mask
Bamana peoples, Mali
19th-20th century
Wood, metal
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