Korean Calligraphy Seoye



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Hunminjeongeum 훈민정음

- King Sejong created hangul in 1443
- Commissioned Hunminjeongeum, (The Correct/Proper Sounds for the Instruction of the People) also the old name of hangul
- To replace hanja (Chinese characters for Korean language)
- Opening lines:
 "Because the language of this country is different than that of China, it is impossible to communicate by means of Chinese characters. Many uneducated people are unable to express their intentions even if they have something to say.. I want to make it easier for everyone to learn and use them daily."



Seo Hee-Hwan

First generation Korean calligrapher

Panbonche (판본체)

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honseoche (혼서체)

Combination of Chinese and hangul calligraphy

First Style

- Strokes based on Chinese characters
- Name derived from woodblock print

Woodblock print



Panbonche (판본체) derives its name from its original use in woodblock printing



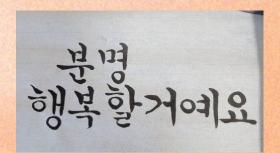
Style

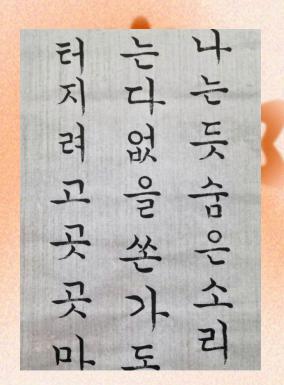
block print style:

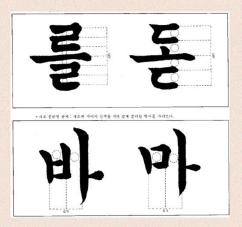
- Constant thickness
- centered
- unyielding/strict for carving ease

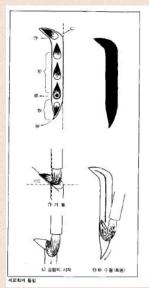
Gungche (궁체) style

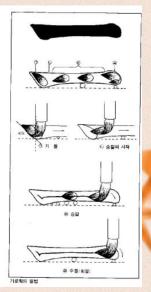
- Gungche means palace
- Replaced by style developed by palace women
- Much more flowy, elegant and more natural for hand written calligraphy
- Began using in 1650 until annexation from Japan(uniquely korean style used for preservation)











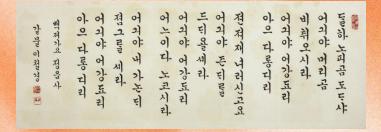
Stroke method

Part of style come from spacing

- Rounded edges
- Strokes lean left to right
- All strokes are tapered
- Vertical lines begin with turn
- Always flow left to right even for =
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Lee Chul Kyung





Persistence

Helped preserved hangul during a time (1914-1989 she was alive)) when Korea was under Japanese colonization.

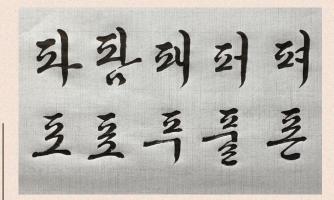
- Wrote and published the book, "How to Write in Gungche", which was banned after 5 days
- Prosecuted by police for her work

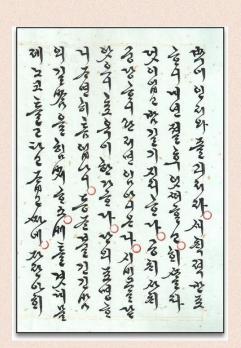


Heulimche (흘림체)

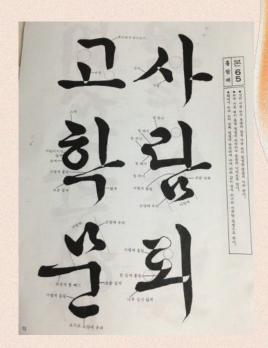
Cursive style

Gradually became more cursive/free form and the palace style was experimented with

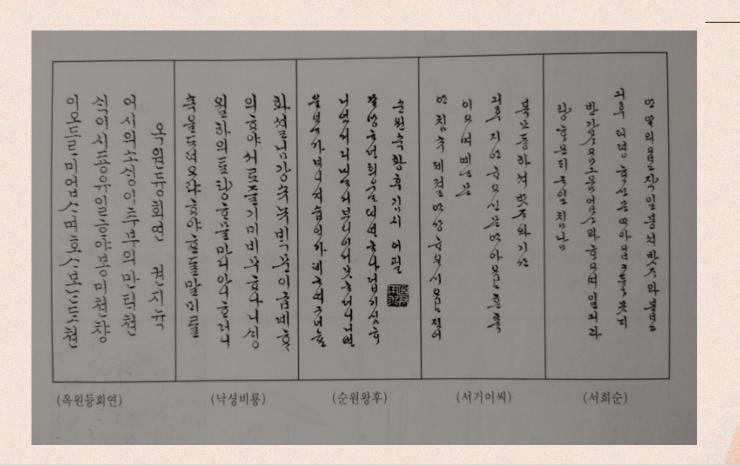




More dragging brush, connected words



Aesthetically more free/expressive



Representative writings include Okwondeunghoeyeon and Mulmok in the pavilion, Nakseongbiryong and Dengmigarye Siilgi and Gunmong in the heulrim, and letters from Queen Sunwon and Seogi Lee in the Jinheulrim.

Seoye in Art



