Chinese and Western Combinations
Aries (Dragon) Month
Combination with Rabbit Year:

"Being" *Mars, Fire, Cardinal*

"Withdraw" *Yin-Negative Wood*

Characteristics: *Heartiness, Complexity, Prudence, Pedantry, Longevity, Dilettantism, Ambition, Domination, Hypochondria, Tact, Secretiveness, Finesse, Squeamishness, Virtue, Willfulness, Naiveté, Affability, Enterprise, Excess Talent, Courage, Sanctimony, Drive, Ostentation*

We have a kind of classicist in this combination and their interest is not an avocation. It is their purpose and goal in life. There is not a trace of a con artist here and, indeed, they have, or wish they had, old money. They will not give up their journey in the realm of Platonic Forms. There is not a single sign of quit in them. The Aries-Rabbit has fine qualities that boggle the mind. It might be easier to say what they are not, rather than say what they are. For starters, they are akin to the Platonic Ideal of Rabbithood. The old, the new, the sacred and the culturally valuable are just some of the concerns of this combination. Not only do they downright care, they are nice, polite and, on the less obvious side, philosophers in the real meaning of the term: lovers of wisdom. This combination could actually end up being the Philosopher King, steadfast in the face of adversity, but never forgetting the quest for quality in the aesthetic sense. For this combination has the soul of a professor of aesthetics coupled with energy and, hidden underneath, the hero. Headed off into the world, they search for the beautiful. They search for true peace. Aries-Rabbits do not work at a discount retailer. They have probably never even been in one. What they are probably doing is either rereading Aristotle's Poetics, or at least having a mental dialog with Aristotle himself.

Romance: They like their freedom and doing things their own way. It is not that they are the radical philosophical types, so much as the fact that while a spouse and two children in the suburbs seems theoretically pleasant, it is too confining in actual practice. This combination is not the walk hand in hand through the mall sort. In addition, the suburban angst is too much for the Aries side. Given the sort of Jimmy Stewart nature of this combination, it is surprising to find out that they are not exactly the most faithful partners on earth. They are, like a rabbit, very inclined to jump from love to love.

Relationships: Cancer Dragons and Roosters, as well as Capricorn Tiger are near the bottom of the possibilities. You should pretty much stay away from Capricorn Tigers and Libra Dragons and Tigers. The relationship pyramid is something like this.

At the top are Leo Dogs or Boars. One tier down are Sagittarius-Rams and Gemini Boars or Rams. Aquarius Snakes & Boars are in the mix.

Family Life: Being the eccentric that they are, at least in some sense, they want their own space. In addition, they are not particularly good about expressing themselves. They are, to be sure, good people, but breaking though that veil of idealism and search for beauty is almost impossible. Generally, the internal battle results in individualism prevailing, even if it means erecting a wall and establishing boundaries. There are issues pertaining to the family facing the Aries-Rabbit. There is a question regarding whether they are actually suited to be the family type. The core of the issue pertains to their individualism and a subcategory of that; namely the fact that they tend to plan and put into practice a life that is about them. This is not exactly in the selfish sense, but their personal preferences.

Likelihood: This combination is made up of avid readers and when something catches their interest, they are off and running. And, once again like the rabbit, they will jump; in this case from one area to another. If a member of this combination goes missing, check the library or museum first. The ambition in the Aries-Rabbit is not typical of others. They do not want to be rich or famous. They will settle for happiness, if that means they can continue learning and growing. They are sociable for the same reason and that is to talk and listen and learn.

Famous Aries/Rabbits: *Ali MacGraw, David Frost, Muddy Waters, Arturo Toscanini.*