THE ALCHEMIST'S CLOCK

Alchemy, portrayed in remarkable detail in the paintings and etchings of the Fisher Museum, was a forerunner of modern chemistry, metallurgy, pharmacology, and medicine.

The Alchemist's Clock bears 12 authentic symbols from the golden age of alchemy, symbols, used by actual laboratory practitioners.

Clockwise, starting at 1 o'clock they are: (1) Silver, (2) Air, (3) Laboratory, (4) Fire, (5) Water, (6) Ammonium Chloride, (7) Sulfuric Acid, (8) Earth, (9) Gold, (10) Brandy - yes, Brandy, (11) Retort, (12) Iron.

The symbols selected are not only historic mementos of science's colorful heritage, but intrinsically lovely designs in their own right.

Enjoy!