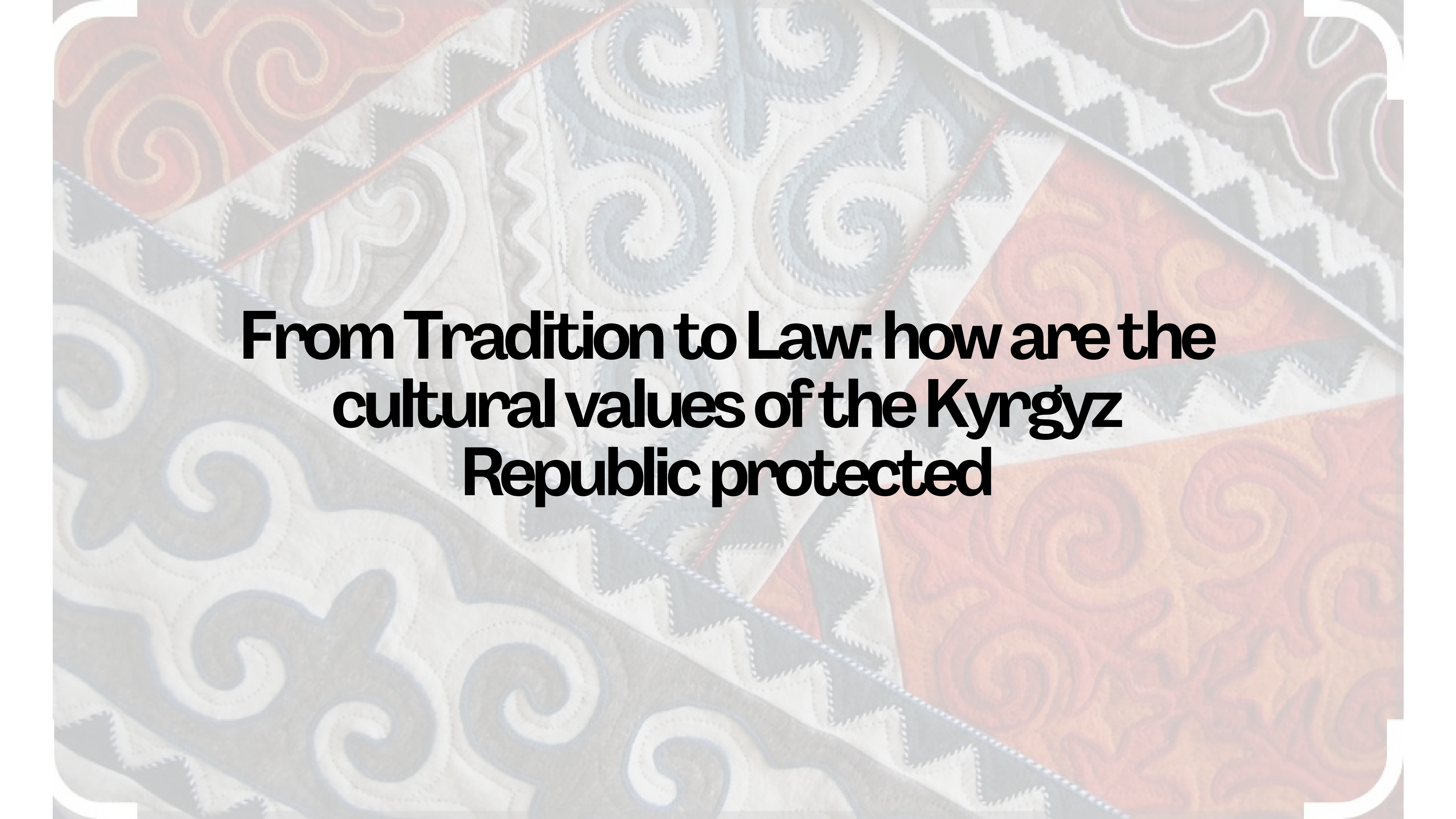
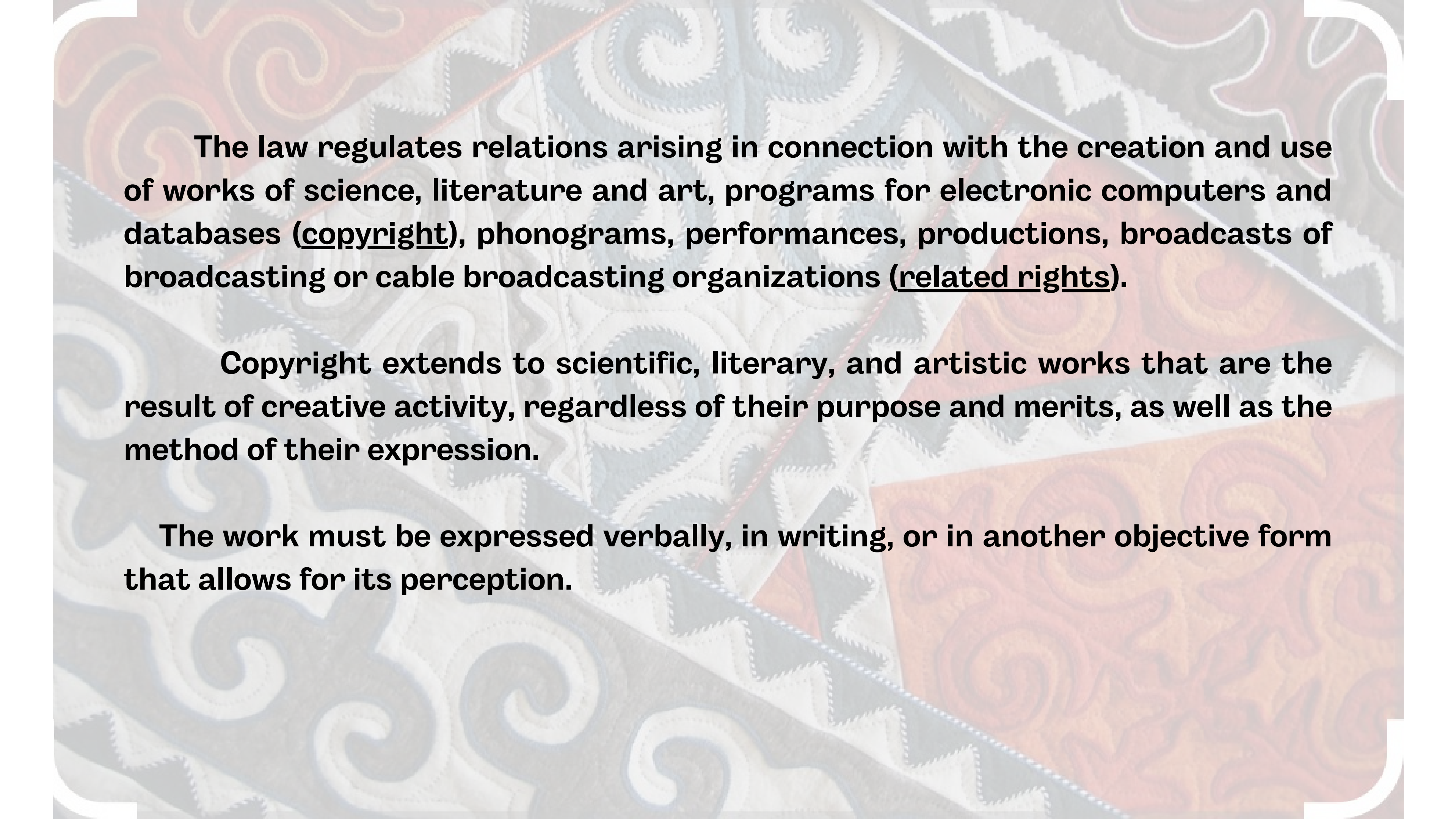




From Tradition to Law: how are the cultural values of the Kyrgyz Republic protected

**Law of the Kyrgyz Republic “On
Copyright
and Related Rights”
of January 14, 1998, No. 6**





The law regulates relations arising in connection with the creation and use of works of science, literature and art, programs for electronic computers and databases (copyright), phonograms, performances, productions, broadcasts of broadcasting or cable broadcasting organizations (related rights).

Copyright extends to scientific, literary, and artistic works that are the result of creative activity, regardless of their purpose and merits, as well as the method of their expression.

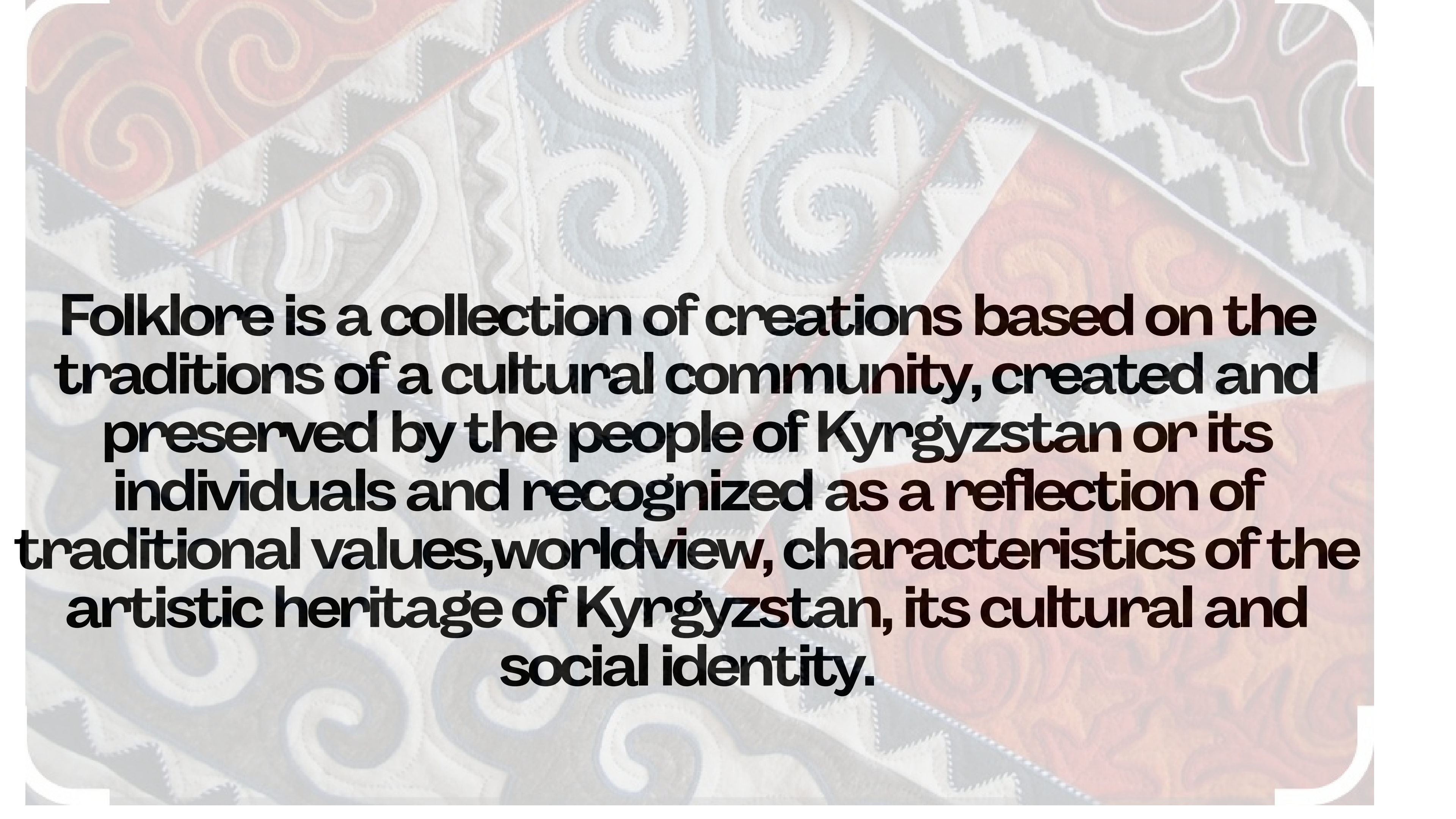
The work must be expressed verbally, in writing, or in another objective form that allows for its perception.

Law of the Kyrgyz Republic “On Culture” dated April 7, 2009 No.119

Determines the legal, economic, social and organizational foundations for the development of activities in the field of culture, regulates public relations in the creation, dissemination, preservation and use of cultural values in order to ensure freedom of creativity, development and support of professional and amateur activities in the field of culture.





The background features a complex, layered design. At the top, there are traditional Kyrgyz patterns, including a red and white 'Saryk' (a stylized sun or flower) and a blue and white 'Tashkumalak' (a stylized cloud or flower). Below these, a map of Kyrgyzstan is visible, rendered in a light, semi-transparent style. The map shows the country's borders and internal regions. The overall color palette is dominated by reds, blues, and whites, with some yellow and orange accents. The text is overlaid on this background, centered horizontally and vertically.

Folklore is a collection of creations based on the traditions of a cultural community, created and preserved by the people of Kyrgyzstan or its individuals and recognized as a reflection of traditional values, worldview, characteristics of the artistic heritage of Kyrgyzstan, its cultural and social identity.

Folk art and crafts are one of the forms of folk artistic creativity. Production of folklore art products



Folklore and folk arts and crafts, as traditional expressions of the culture of the people of Kyrgyzstan, represent the historical and cultural heritage of Kyrgyzstan.

The state guarantees protection from any illegal use and promotes the revival, use and dissemination of folklore values and folk arts and crafts.



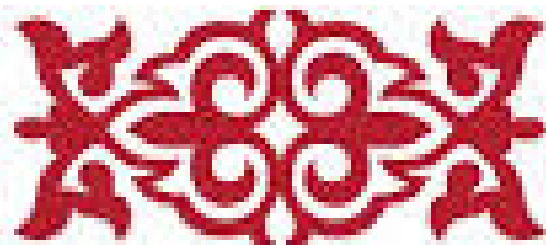
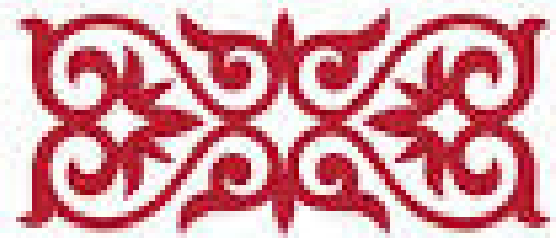
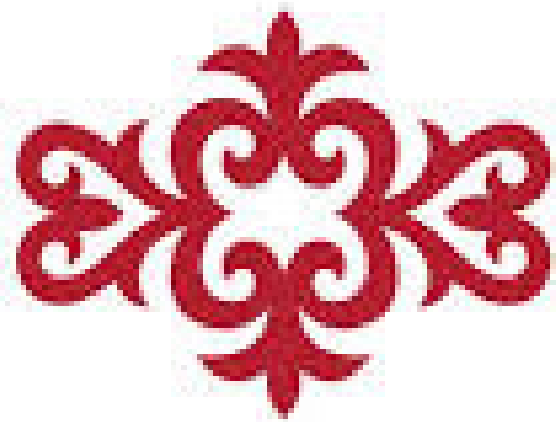
Expressions of Folk Art:

- **songs, melodies, folk music, koshok, aitysh, akiya aituu**
- **fairy tales, legends, epics**
- **riddles, proverbs, sayings, tongue twisters**



Traditional arts and art forms

- ornaments,
patterns,
prints
- embroidery,
weaving,
decorative
and applied
arts



Traditional Crafts Handmade products, decorative items.

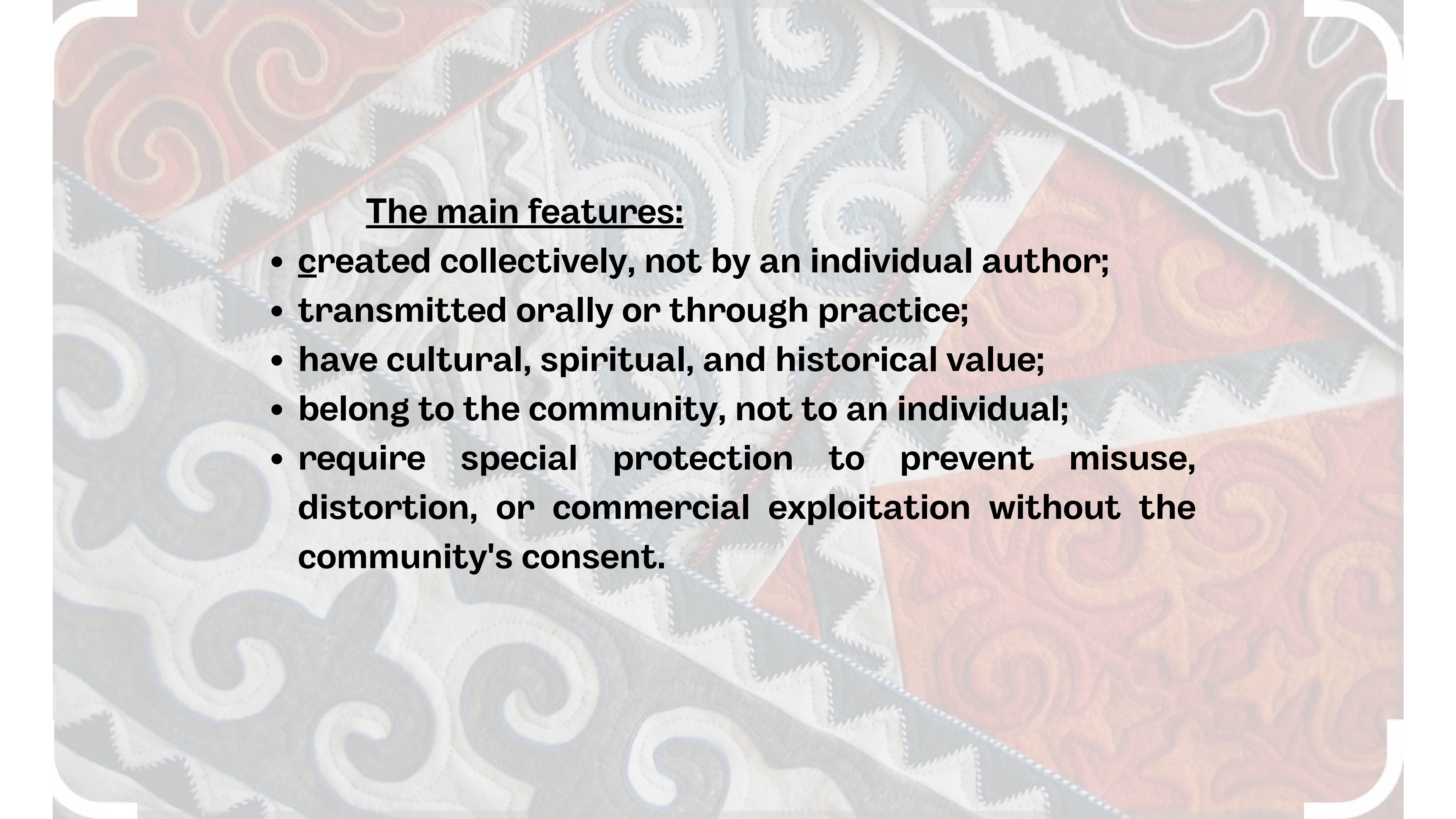
Dances and Rituals

Folk dances, ceremonies, and rituals.

Traditional Clothing and **Costume Elements**

National Outfits, Headdresses, and Jewelry





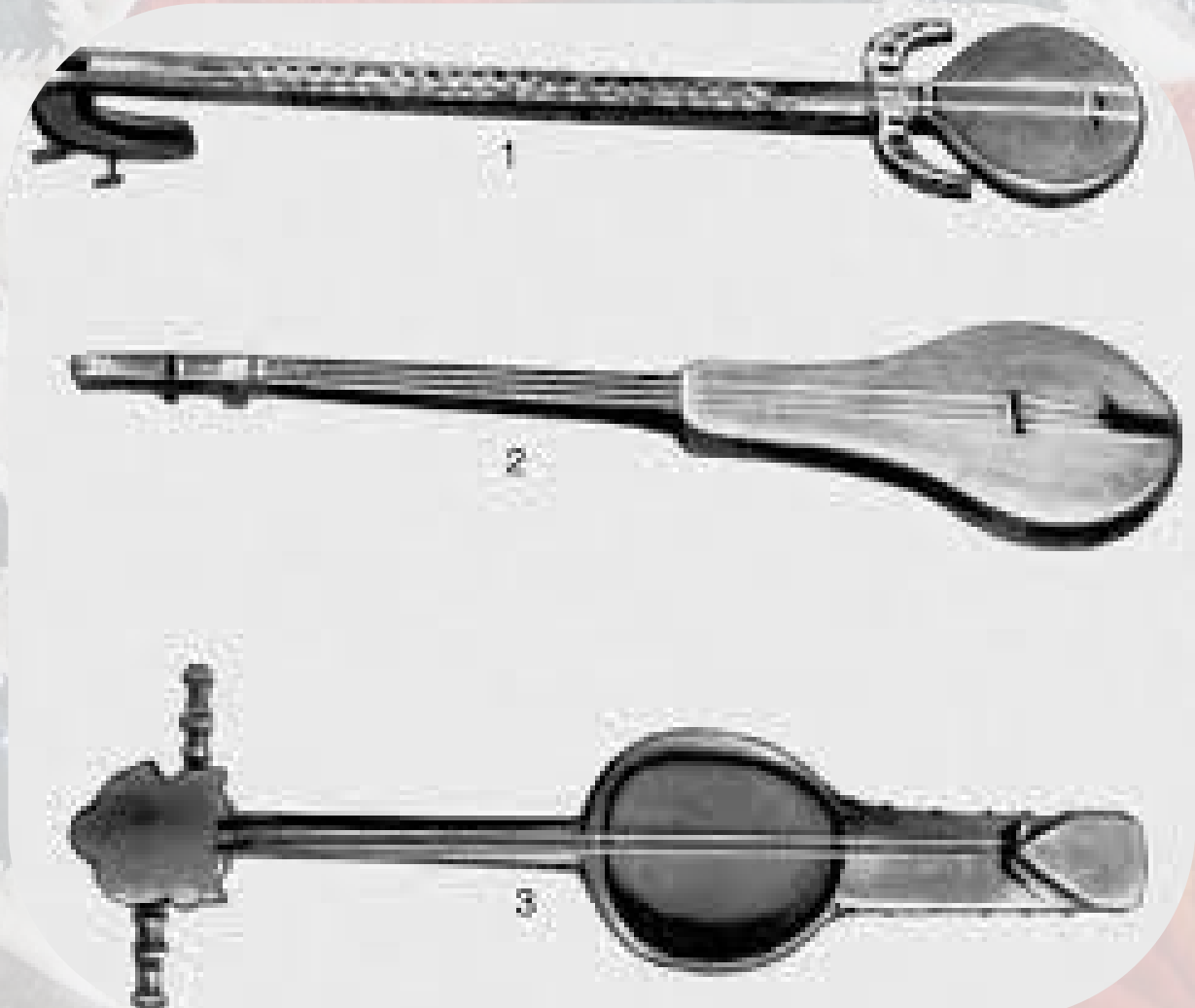
The main features:

- **created collectively, not by an individual author;**
- **transmitted orally or through practice;**
- **have cultural, spiritual, and historical value;**
- **belong to the community, not to an individual;**
- **require special protection to prevent misuse, distortion, or commercial exploitation without the community's consent.**

TCEs (traditional cultural expressions) can be reworked, and as a result of such reworking, objects of copyright or related rights may arise. For example:

traditional national patterns can be creatively reinterpreted and used in original designers' collections;

Folk melodies can be adapted or reworked, resulting in the creation of new objects of related rights, such as performances.



Examples of TCEs from Kyrgyzstan:

- Kyrgyz ornaments: “koy tosh”, “tumar”, “ilbirs”
- Epics “Manas”, “Semetei” and “Seitek”.
- Folk dances “Kara Zhorgo”
- Products: kiiz, shyrdak, taar.
- Traditional women's headdress - elechek.



**Thank you for your
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