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Initial queries about artists often begin with searches under an artist's name in the Binghamton Library Catalog. Remember to use indexes for *author* as well as for *subject*. For periodical articles, use the online resource [Art Abstracts](#) on the Libraries' Internet page for subject resources in the History of Art and Architecture. The [BHA](#) (Bibliography of the History of Art), also on this Internet page, is less useful for contemporary artists.

The first three divisions of the listing below reflect the different approaches useful for questions concerning historical figures and contemporaries. For contemporary artists, also, one should consider the indexes and directories noted on the Bartle Library guide "Biographical Information". The heading for *Biography* on the Libraries' "Virtual Reference Desk" (Internet) may also be useful. Artists' dictionaries of purely regional scope within the United States are not included in the following.

I. CONTEMPORARIES ONLY

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| <u>Who's who in American art</u> (earlier vols. circulate) | Ref N6536 .W5 |
| Cummings, P. <u>Dictionary of contemporary American artists.</u> | Ref N6536 .C8 1994 |
| <u>World artists, 1950-1980</u> and <u>1980-1990.</u> 2 vols. | Ref N6489 .M37 1984 & .M372 1991 |
| <u>Contemporary artists.</u> | Ref N6490 .C6567 1983 |
| <u>Art in America guide to galleries, museums, artists.</u>
Use the index of artists in this annual issue of the journal. | Ref N510.A78 (latest ed. only) |
| <u>Contemporary graphic artists</u> (1986) (2 vols.) | Ref NC999.2 .C658 |
| <u>Contemporary designers.</u> | Ref NK1166 .C66 1997a |
| <u>Contemporary photographers.</u> 2nd ed. | Ref TR139 .C66 1988 |

II. CONTEMPORARY AND HISTORICAL FIGURES

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| <u>Folk artists biographical index.</u> | Ref NK805 .F63 1987 |
| <u>Museum of American Folk Art encyclopedia of twentieth-century American folk art and artists.</u> | Ref NK808 .R6 1990 |
| Chiarmonte, P. <u>Women artists in the United States.</u> | Ref N6536 .W65 1990 |
| <u>Women artists in America: 18th century to the present.</u> | Ref N43 .C64 1980 |
| <u>Black artists.</u> (1997) | Ref N40.S78 1997 |
| Igoe, L.M. <u>250 years of Afro-American art</u> (1981) | Ref Z5956 .A47 |
| <u>Native North American artists</u> (1998) | Ref N6538.A4 S77 1998 |
| <u>Arte chicano: a comprehensive annotated bibliography of Chicano art, 1965-1981.</u> | Ref NX512.3.M4 G65 |

- American photographers. Ref TR139 .A46 1989
- George Eastman House index to photographers, collections and exhibitions. 3rd ed. (3 vol.) Ref TR12.M4 1998
- III. CHIEFLY HISTORICAL**
- Dictionary of Art. (34 vols.) Ref N31.D5
- Artists of the world: biobibliographical index (10 vols.) Ref N40.A632
Index of more than 500,000 artists in identified sources
- Mantle Fielding's dictionary of American painters, sculptors and engravers, 2nd ed. Ref N6536 .F5 1986
"Comprehensive" coverage of 18th-20th centuries.
- Britannica encyclopedia of American art (1973) Ref N6505 .B73
- Who was who in American art (3 vols.) Ref N6512 .F26 1999
- Groce, G.C. & D.H. Wallace. New York Historical Society's dictionary of artists in America, 1564-1860 (1957) Ref N6536 .N4
- Karpel, B. Arts in America: a bibliography (1979) (4 vols.) Ref Z5961 .U5 A77
Use index in vol. 4.
- Smith, R.C. Biographical Index of American artists (1929) Ref N6536 .S6 1980
- Havlice, P.P. Index to artistic biography (1973. Suppl. 1981) Ref N40 .H38
- Dawdy, D.O. Artists of the American West (1974-85) (3 vols.) Ref N6536 .D38
Covers only artists born before 1900.
- Stauffer, D.M. and M. Fielding, American engravers upon copper and steel (1907-17) (3 vols.) Ref NE505 .S8
- The Card Catalog of the Manuscript Collection of the Archives Supplement of American Art, 11 vols. *Z6611 .A7 A72 1980 & <http://www.siris.si.edu/>
(see Libraries' Internet page for History of Art and Architecture)
- IV. SOURCES BASED ON ART WORKS (A REPRESENTATIVE SELECTION)**
- National Museum of American Art's index to American exhibition catalogs. 6 vols. Ref N6507 .Y363 1986
Coverage up to 1876.
- Annual exhibition record of the National Academy of Design, 1901-1950. Ref N6512 .A56 1990
- National Museum of American Art. "Inventories of American painting and sculpture." <http://www.siris.si.edu/>
(see Libraries' Internet page for History of Art and Architecture)
- Auction prices of American artists [1970-80]. 2 vols. Ref N8675 .A9
- Index to reproductions of American paintings. Ref ND205 .M57 and .S575
(1948. Suppl. 1964 and 1977)