

Advanced Aesthetics Research Guide

Background and Reference Sources

- Encyclopedia of aesthetics (4 vols.) *Reference BH56 .E53 1998*
- New dictionary of the history of ideas (6 vols.) *Reference CB9 .N49 2005*
- Philosophy of art [electronic resource] : a contemporary introduction / Noël Carroll. London : Routledge, 1999.
An electronic book accessible through the World Wide Web; [click to view](#)
- [Encyclopaedia Britannica Online](#)
- [Oxford Reference Online](#) **Not accessible off campus**

Finding Books

- [Crossett Library Catalog subject search for *Aesthetics*.](#)
- [WorldCat](#) -- Search for books and other materials that can be borrowed through [Interlibrary Loan](#) from libraries around the world.

Finding Articles

Browse Journals in Crossett Library

- Art in America *Crossett Current Periodicals -Main Level*
- Artforum International *Crossett Current Periodicals -Main Level*
- ARTnews *Crossett Current Periodicals -Main Level*
- Leonardo *Crossett Current Periodicals -Main Level*
- Flash art *Crossett Upper Level N1.A1 F532*
- 2wice *Crossett Upper Level NX180.S6 A125*

Select Online Journals

- [Art in America through Infotrac \(full-text 1993 to present\)](#)
- [British Journal of Aesthetics through Infotrac \(full-text 1993 to 1998\)](#)
- [Journal of Aesthetics & Art Criticism through EBSCOHost \(full-text 1974 to 1 year ago\)](#)

Select Databases

- [JSTOR](#) -- A database of scholarly journal articles including illustrations in literature, social sciences, mathematics, arts, and sciences. A much greater range of dates is represented than in most databases.
- [Philosopher's Index](#) -- This resource contains citation information and author-written abstracts for 560 journals in all major fields of philosophy from 1940 to the present.
- [EBSCO Academic Search Premier](#) -- Multidisciplinary database containing full text articles for nearly 4,700 publications, as well as indexing and abstracts for 8,172 journals.
- [INFOTRAC Expanded Academic ASAP](#) -- Database covering social sciences, the humanities, science and technology, national news, and general interest magazine.
- [WilsonSelectPlus](#) -- Provides indexing and selected full-text articles in a variety of disciplines including the arts and humanities.

Web Resources

- [American Society for Aesthetics](#) -- For anyone interested in the arts, art criticism or theory, or the philosophy of art.
- [Aristos](#) -- Journal that advocates objective standards in arts scholarship and criticism, standing in opposition to modernism, post-modernism, and the avant garde.
- [Diffusion](#) -- Offers a series of illustrated books for download on the intersections between live or performance art and film, video, and new media technologies.
- [Aesthetics Links / Episteme](#)
- [Arts & Letters Daily](#) -- Updated six days per week, features links to newspapers, magazines and journals, book reviews, articles, essays, editorials, news services, columnists, literary criticism, and 'amusements' in every area of the humanities.
- [African Art: Aesthetics and Meaning](#) -- An electronic exhibition catalog of African artifacts, including masks, statues and heddle pulleys (parts of looms), mostly from West Africa. Includes introductory essays on the African aesthetic, lengthy captions for each sculpture, and a bibliography.
- [Museum of Bad Art \(MOBA\)](#) -- MOBA "is the world's only museum dedicated to the collection, preservation, exhibition, and celebration of bad art in all its forms." The site exhibits some of MOBA's portraits, landscapes, and portrayals of "unseen forces"; the collection is composed of works with "a special quality that sets them apart in one way or another from the merely incompetent."