

## October 7: DIGITAL RESEARCH/ONLINE RESOURCES for Art History Research

**Wikipedia: if you do use, skip to sources at the bottom of an essay.** Go to trusted sources.

### General indexed sites on art history resources:

Christopher Witcombe's art history resources page:

<http://arthistoryresources.net/ARTHLinks.html>

Mother of all art and art history links pages (this one has quite a few links that no longer work!)

<http://umich.edu/~motherha/>

### Video discussions to give context to culture or artists' works:

**Khan Academy:** This started as a way for Salman Khan to tutor his cousins online in math—but then it grew into other areas. Eventually, Bill Gates invested in it, and today it reaches over 10 million users. The humanities section includes some great information on art history, with some videos that discuss the artists and artworks in depth.

Example: Jan van Eyck video.

<https://www.khanacademy.org/humanities/renaissance-reformation/northern-renaissance1/burgundy-netherlands/v/jan-van-eyck-portrait-of-a-man-self-portrait>

### Videos available on YouTube (from museums/trusted source), can be instructional on how to use/make objects you find in our collections:

Example: The printmaking processes (from Mia):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O0skLwaFpn0&list=PL60EF8C723EACBBB7>

Example: How to make silk (American Museum of Natural History)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IFo3SxqH2-A>

Example: How to make a Greek vase (Getty Museum)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WhPW50r07L8>

### Video: Virtual reality

Example: Rome Reborn, video (Virginia.edu)

<https://vimeo.com/32038695>

Example: Learning Sites (company hired to do archaeological reconstructions for museums) has the palace reconstruction where our Assyrian genie was found:

[http://www.learningsites.com/Frame\\_layout01.htm](http://www.learningsites.com/Frame_layout01.htm)

## **Image Resources:**

Google Cultural Institute. Has a wealth of art images (for example, all the content of the Rijksmuseum will eventually be available), but also historical and contextual imagery that could help broaden your knowledge.

<https://www.google.com/culturalinstitute/home>

Web Gallery of Art, good searchable database for European art, 11<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. Click on search bar and search "Van Gogh." Note that the results include paintings and lithographs:

<http://www.wga.hu/index1.html>

## **Robust museum sites (examples, with great object information and cultural context essays):**

Metropolitan Museum of Art, timelines and subject essays.

<http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/>

Minneapolis Institute of Art

<https://collections.artsimia.org/>

British Museum collection search

[http://www.britishmuseum.org/research/collection\\_online/search.aspx](http://www.britishmuseum.org/research/collection_online/search.aspx)

British Museum research projects

<http://www.britishmuseum.org/research/projects.aspx>

## **Online exhibitions:**

Penn Museum, online exhibition on A New Look @ Ancient Egypt:

<http://www.penn.museum/sites/egypt/egyptintro.shtml>

National Gallery of Art (online exhibitions that are archived but still accessible):

<http://www.nga.gov/exhibitions/pastonline.shtm>

## **Specialty sites (university research):**

Art and Life in Africa, through the University of Iowa:

<http://africa.uima.uiowa.edu/>

Beazley archive at the University of Oxford (explore Classical Art Research Center):

<http://www.beazley.ox.ac.uk/index.htm>

Auction houses (Christie's and Sotheby's)