# RESEARCHING PHOTOGRAPHERS

*A GUIDE TO RESOURCES IN THE CIA LIBRARY*

## CIA LIBRARY BOOKS

The following are CIA Library books that are useful resources for quick information including biographical sketches, bibliographies, and reproductions:

*American photographers : an illustrated who's who among leading contemporary Americans.* Reference TR/139/.K73/1989
*Contemporary photographers.* Reference TR/139/.C66/1995
*Encyclopedia of twentieth-century photography.* Reference TR/642/.E5/2006
*History of photography : a bibliography of books.* Z/7134/.R66
*An illustrated bio-bibliography of Black photographers, 1940-1988.* Reference TR/139/.W55/1989
*Macmillan biographical encyclopedia of photographic artists & innovators.* Reference TR/139/.B767/1982
*Photography (Modern art bibliographical series).* Z/7134/.P46
*Photo art : photography in the 21st century.* TR/655/.P32/2007
*Photographers encyclopaedia international 1839 to the present.* Reference TR/139/.A93/1985
*Photographers of the Farm Security Administration : an annotated bibliography, 1930-1980.* Z/7136/.D63/D59/1983
*Photography books index : a subject guide to photo anthologies.* Reference TR/199/.M67
*The photography encyclopedia.* Reference TR/9/.M39/1999
*PhotoSpeak : a guide to the ideas, movements, and techniques of photography, 1839 to the present.* Reference TR/9/.M63/1998
*Vitamin Ph : new perspectives in photography.* TR/650/.V57/2006

## FINDING BOOKS AND EXHIBITION CATALOGS

Use the library's ***online catalog*** to search the person's name (last name, first), artist group's, or firm's name as a SUBJECT to find books and one-person exhibition catalogs. To find books written by them, search their name as an AUTHOR. You might find additional books and exhibition catalogs if you search the name as a KEYWORD.

If you don't find anything under the photographer's name, you may be able to find information by searching for the following subjects. If you are at the library, browse section TR/139 for photographer biographies.

PHOTOGRAPHERS
PHOTOGRAPHERS--BIOGRAPHY
PHOTOGRAPHERS--(country) e.g. GERMANY
PHOTOGRAPHERS--INTERVIEWS
PHOTOGRAPHIC CRITICISM
PHOTOGRAPHY--HISTORY
PHOTOGRAPHY--(country)--HISTORY
PHOTOJOURNALISTS
WAR PHOTOGRAPHERS
WOMEN PHOTOGRAPHERS

Check the library's ***Contemporary Artists Index*** which lists over 30,000 artists, artists groups, photographers, craftspeople, designers, and design firms whose work appears in group exhibition catalogs added to the library since 1991. Many group exhibition catalogs provide biographical information.

*Can't find anything? Are the items you want unavailable?* Check the **OhioLINK Catalog** and request that books be sent to the CIA Library for your use.

## FINDING PERIODICAL ARTICLES

Search the name of the person, group or firm using the library's online databases. Each database includes a variety of different publications, so for the best results, try more than one. Links to these resources can be found on CIA Library's web page.

***Art Source*** covers art from prehistory to the present; indexes articles as well as reproductions published since 1984 in international art periodicals; provides abstracts; and includes some full text articles. You can also search Biography Reference Bank at the same time.

***Design and applied arts index*** cover the modern and contemporary period; index international art, craft, photography and design periodicals, books, exhibition catalogs and websites, and include abstracts. Links to these resources are found on the library's web page. You can search either one or both of the databases at the same time.

## MORE PLACES TO CHECK

Links to these resources can be found on CIA Library's web page.

***Oxford Art Online*** which includes Grove Dictionary of Art Online plus other Oxford University Press publications

***Artcyclopedia*** a guide to art and art sites on the Internet

***ArtNet*** an art market commercial site with information and images

***ARTstor*** a digital library of nearly one million images in the areas of art, architecture, the humanities, and social sciences. For full access, register your account on campus.

***AskART*** an online database of art images, artist biographies & bibliographies, Auction & sale records, and exhibitions; off-campus access to the non-subscriber Internet version of this site is much more limited.

***Biography Reference Bank*** includes biographical information and bibliographies

***Rhizome: Art and Technology*** online community and discussion forum about new media and artists who are involved in emerging artistic practices that engage

***Library of Congress Prints & Photographs Online Catalog*** catalog records and digital images representing a rich cross-section of still pictures held by the Prints & Photographs Division and, in some cases, other units of the Library of Congress.

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