Open-Access Image Resource List

Many cultural institutions now offer free, open-access use of many images from their collections—no formal permissions required. Following is a list of institutions that have committed to making their collections accessible to scholars and others in this way.

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Further, please note that separate permissions may be required for artists who are still living or have been deceased for less than 70 years. Many artists and their estates are represented by the Artists Rights Society and VAGA. Again, *Panorama* contributors are responsible for acquiring such permissions and supplying the appropriate credit information.

Museums and Libraries with Open-Access Image Databases

- The Art Institute of Chicago
- The Barnes Foundation
- The British Library (via Flickr)
- Chipstone Collections (note that this applies only to the Furniture, Ceramics, and Prints databases listed under "Chipstone Collections")
- The Cleveland Museum of Art
- Davison Art Center, Wesleyan University
- The J. Paul Getty Trust
- Library of Congress (Please note that this collection contains a mix of restricted and unrestricted works. However, each subcollection has detailed information regarding usage restrictions. Some material does not have restrictions (for example, drawings from the Lamb Studios Drawings)
- Los Angeles County Museum of Art (be sure to check the box that reads "show public domain images only"
- Metropolitan Museum of Art
- National Gallery of Art (US)
- Newberry Library, Chicago
- New York Public Library
- Rijksmuseum
- Walters Art Museum
- Yale University Art Gallery
- Yale Center for British Art

Other sources of Open-Access Images

- Europeana Art History Collection
- Flickr Commons (photography)
- OpenGLAM
- Public Domain Review
- Wikimedia Commons