



35th Annual Conference
Sheraton Colony Square, Atlanta, Georgia, April 26-May 1

Grove Art Online User Group Session Minutes
Sunday, April 29, 2007, 7:30-9:00am

Presenting: Christine Kuan, Senior Editor, Grove Art Online & Grove Dictionaries of Art;
Paige Casey, Marketing Manager, Scholarly & Online Reference

Recorder: Max Marmor, Director of Collection Development, ARTstor

In attendance: ca. 50 people; including Grove Art Advisory Board Members: Ken Soehner, Max Marmor, Carol Terry, Margaret Webster

Agenda:

Online Updates:

- Most recent update: Women Artists Update, October 2006, ed. Whitney Chadwick et al.
- New articles (Kara Walker, Hildegard of Bingen, Sheila de Bretteville et al), interviews (e.g. Kiki Smith), etc.
- Efforts to get images from artists or galleries re contemporary artists

Print publications

- Grove Enc. of Decorative Arts (2006, 2v)
- Grove Enc. of Classical Art and Architecture (2007, 2v)
- Grove Enc. of Materials and Techniques in Art (2008)
- Grove Enc. of Islamic Art & Architecture (2008, 2v)
- Grove Enc. of American Art (2010, 5 v)

New entries generally added to GAO after publication; Grove Enc. of American Art an exception – new entries on architecture, photography, new media, etc. to appear in GAO as produced.

E-Books

- Grove Enc. of Dec. Arts available with same illustrations (wherever permissions are obtained)
- Ebooks also searchable in ORO quick reference shelf
- Bibliographies are Open URL compliant

Grove Art Online Images

- 5,000 images by September 2007; more than 2,000 at present
- Images from artists/estates

- Images from photo-archives of scholars and art historians

Museum partnerships

- British Museum: 400 images
- Metropolitan Museum of Art: 2,000 images (searchable in Grove, embedded in text)
- MoMA: images in Grove Art/MoMA learning resources

New Grove interface, functionality and content

- New quick search, advanced search, biography search, image search
- Open URL compliant bibliography
- Index integrated with search results
- ARTstor linking for mutual subscribers
- Learning resources: World Art Timeline, thematic units, MoMA learning resources

Oxford Art Online

A platform or environment for accessing OUP art content online, enabling the enhancements described above.

Searchable content: Grove Art Online, OCWA, Enc. of Aesthetics, Oxford Concise Dictionary of Art Terms (included in GAO subscriptions but searchable independently or alongside GAO)

Considering other art reference works as future add-ons to Grove Art Online.

- Benezit-English
- Enc. of World Art
- Guide to the Literature of Art History, 2 vols.
- St. James Press art reference series
- Other print works and links to other online resources? Need for Oxford Companion to Classical Mythology in the Arts

Q&A

- Pricing: Enhancements provided as a service; standard annual price increase
- Searching: Boolean searching please
- Content: Need for costume and fashion history
- Functionality of ARTstor linking—will link from Grove Art article pages to ARTstor search pages; ARTstor image data pages to link to Grove Art articles/biographies for mutual subscribers
- Image licensing: Art Resource (2,000 image “core collection”, with links to Art Resource site)
- Oxford Dictionary of National Biography: links to headwords/entries at relaunch
- Appendices and Indexes: Value of repository listings (ability to search/see all repositories in a single city; mouse-over inadequate); must be retained as updated/searchable lists, these locations lists and indexes are the most comprehensive on the market and are cited by librarians as authoritative sources for cataloguing.

- Beta site testing; August will have select group of testers
- Abbreviations: mouse-overs (journal abbreviations, corporate/museum names)
- Character sets: will be Unicode in 9/07
- Citation export: in the works for relaunch
- References to images in print ed.: "image not available online"; removing dead fig references where possible because they are confusing to users. Some prefer knowing there is an image in DOA. Refs have not been deleted, can restore if we find users want to go to DOA.
- Bridgeman links gone? removed at Bridgeman's request when license expired
- Explore feature very helpful now as a Browse feature: in relaunch integrated into article metadata, new advanced search (filter by style, period, etc.)
- Grove Music: simultaneous relaunch/redesign
- Updated links to websites will be maintained (40,000 links to gallery and museum sites, etc.)
- Please send content update announcements to ARLIS-L, helpful to see this info.

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