

OHIO ONLINE VISUAL ARTIST REGISTRY

Welcome to the Ohio Online Visual Artist Registry. This database is a collection of original artworks created by artists from Ohio and around the world. Contact information for each artist is included with up to 10 images. The registry is a collaborative project between the Ohio Arts Council's Individual Artist Program and the Columbus Metropolitan Library. Currently it contains nearly 9000 images and over 900 artists, and it is growing every day.

To create a new registry or to update your current information you must first create a login. Follow this [link](#) to create your login or if you have already created a login to enter the site click [here](#).

All images are protected by Digimarc watermarks. The watermarks are not visible on the images, but can be detected with the appropriate software.

HOW DO I SEARCH FOR AN ARTIST?

The database can be searched by **Artist Name**, **Medium**, **Locale** or **All Info**.

Browse by Artist Name: This is the default search in the simple search mode. Click on the corresponding letter of the artist's last name to retrieve an alphabetical listing of artists. Click on artists name to view detailed information for that artist and corresponding thumbnail images of their work. Click on the thumbnail to enlarge the image.

Artist Name: searches for matches to artist first name and last name and retrieves biographical and contact information in addition to thumbnail images of their work. Name can be entered in any order. If unsure of the correct spelling, use the **Browse** feature explained above.

Medium: searches the medium in the description field. Searches can be as general as <painting> or as specific as <oil painting>. Materials can be searched as well. For example, searching <glass> will retrieve sculptures, crafts and mosaics. When searching by medium in the simple search mode, a single image of the artist's work will display with their name. To find biographical and contact information you must click on their name. If you are not sure exactly how a medium is listed in the database please use the **Browse** feature, type in the medium name you are thinking of and the database will take you to the closest match.

Locale: searches a city, county, state and country by keyword. Remember, a search for Washington will retrieve both the State of Washington and Washington D.C. When searching by county, type in "Franklin" not "Franklin County".

After clicking **Search** to start the search, the results will be displayed with the following options (See fig 1):

- Click on the "View next page of results" to move page by page through artist information.
- Use the numbers located next to "**Jump to**" to see more records.
- Use the **Save** option next to each image to add images to your gallery for e-mailing or printing. You may e-mail, print or unsave all of your images once you are in the gallery.

- In "My Gallery" you may select "Save All Records on Page" to have all images by one artist saved to your gallery.

Printing: The database is a framed site. Click in the frame you'd like to print. Press the "Control" key and the "P" key at the same time. Click "OK" in the Print Dialog Box. Images are sized to fit on an 8 1/2" x 11" page, regardless of orientation.

If you would like to e-mail your search results, first save the records you want to send, then click **E-Mail** and follow the instructions.

View My Gallery will show you all the records you have saved.