

# ARTSTOR

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## ARTSTOR RESOURCES IN CLASSICAL STUDIES

The ARTstor Digital Library is a visual resource of value to scholars, teachers, and students across the arts, humanities, social sciences, and beyond. This handout is part of a growing series designed to highlight ARTstor's relevance to a variety of fields of study.

### ARTSTOR COLLECTIONS RELEVANT TO CLASSICAL STUDIES



Several ARTstor collections will be of interest to scholars, teachers, and students in Classical Studies. Key works of Ancient art, including many illustrated in standard survey texts of Western art history, may be found in the Art History Survey Collection. The Hartill Archive of Architecture and Allied Arts includes recent photographs of the architecture and architectural sculpture of the Ancient world. Several architectural sites are also viewable as Quick Time Virtual Reality (QTVR) panoramas, which were produced by Columbia University's Visual Media Center. High-quality digital images depicting major monuments of Classical art and architecture may be found in the Erich Lessing Culture and Fine Arts Archives, as well as the Scala Archives. Also noteworthy is the collection of Greek, Hellenistic, and Roman sculpture from the Berlin State Museums (Staatliche Museen zu Berlin).

The encyclopedic Image Gallery offers innumerable images related to Classical Studies, including Minoan seals, Cycladic figurines, Greek vase painting, Etruscan sculpture, Roman portraiture, and Late Antique ornament. Keyword searching will retrieve a rich array of iconographic subjects, both within the corpus of Ancient art, as well as in later works of art in the Classical tradition, e.g. "zeus or jupiter," or "herakles or hercules." Selections from museums with significant holdings in Ancient art, such as the Cleveland Museum of Art, the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, and the Metropolitan Museum of Art, are also included in the Image Gallery.

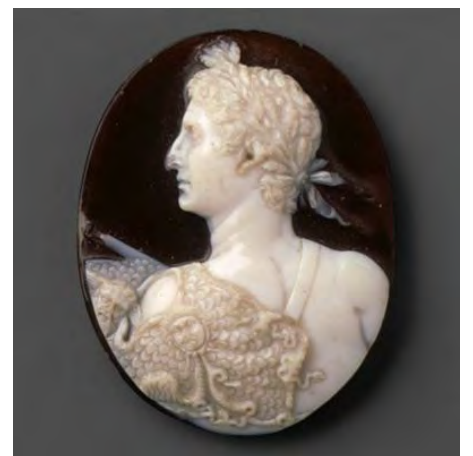
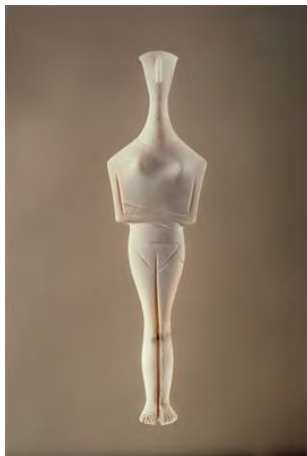
## HELPFUL SEARCH TIPS

Keyword searches are likely to be most successful. Truncating your search term (e.g. gree\* or rom\*) in order to retrieve terms with variant endings will enlarge your search results. For more precise searches, you can search for phrases within quotation marks (“..”), or use the Advanced Search feature to limit your searches by date or geographic region.

- ❖ A search for “parthenon” yields over 490 images
- ❖ Searching for “julius caesar” produces more than 200 results
- ❖ “krater” or “amphora” will both return more than 400 images each

## HELPFUL BROWSING CATEGORIES

ARTstor’s collections may be browsed in a number of ways. For instance, the Art History Survey Collection may be browsed by stylistic period and/or region, e.g. “Greek Art and Architectural Sculpture: Archaic Period” or “Roman Art and Architecture.” You may also browse across all of ARTstor’s collections by geography or object classification, so that those specializing in specific areas within Classical Studies may access images relevant to their primary interests. For example, you can browse ARTstor for “Decorative Arts, Utilitarian Objects, and Interior Design” and then expand that browsing category to narrow the set down to “Greece” or “Italy.” Alternatively, you can start by browsing geographically first, such as selecting “Turkey” from a controlled list of countries, and then choosing the category for “Architecture and City Planning.” Once you have expanded a browsing category, you may also search within that category to further refine your result set – e.g. searching for “temple” within “Turkey – Architecture and City Planning” yields 150 images out of a much larger set.



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- 1) The Emperor Gaius Julius Caesar Germanicus, 37-42 | Roman | The Metropolitan Museum of Art
- 2) Tarantine Grave Relief, ca. 325-300 B.C. | Tarantine | The Metropolitan Museum of Art
- 3) Coin Showing Consul Marcellus, 50 B.C. | Roman | The Art Institute of Chicago
- 4) Panathenaic Prize Amphora, ca. 530-520 B.C. | Attributed to the Euphiletos Painter, Greek | The Metropolitan Museum of Art
- 5) Female Statuette, 2400 - 2100 B.C. | Cycladic | Berlin State Museums
- 6) Funerary Portrait of a Woman, 100-125 | Roman | The Cleveland Museum of Art
- 7) Cameo Portrait of the Emperor Augustus, 41-54 | Roman | The Metropolitan Museum of Art