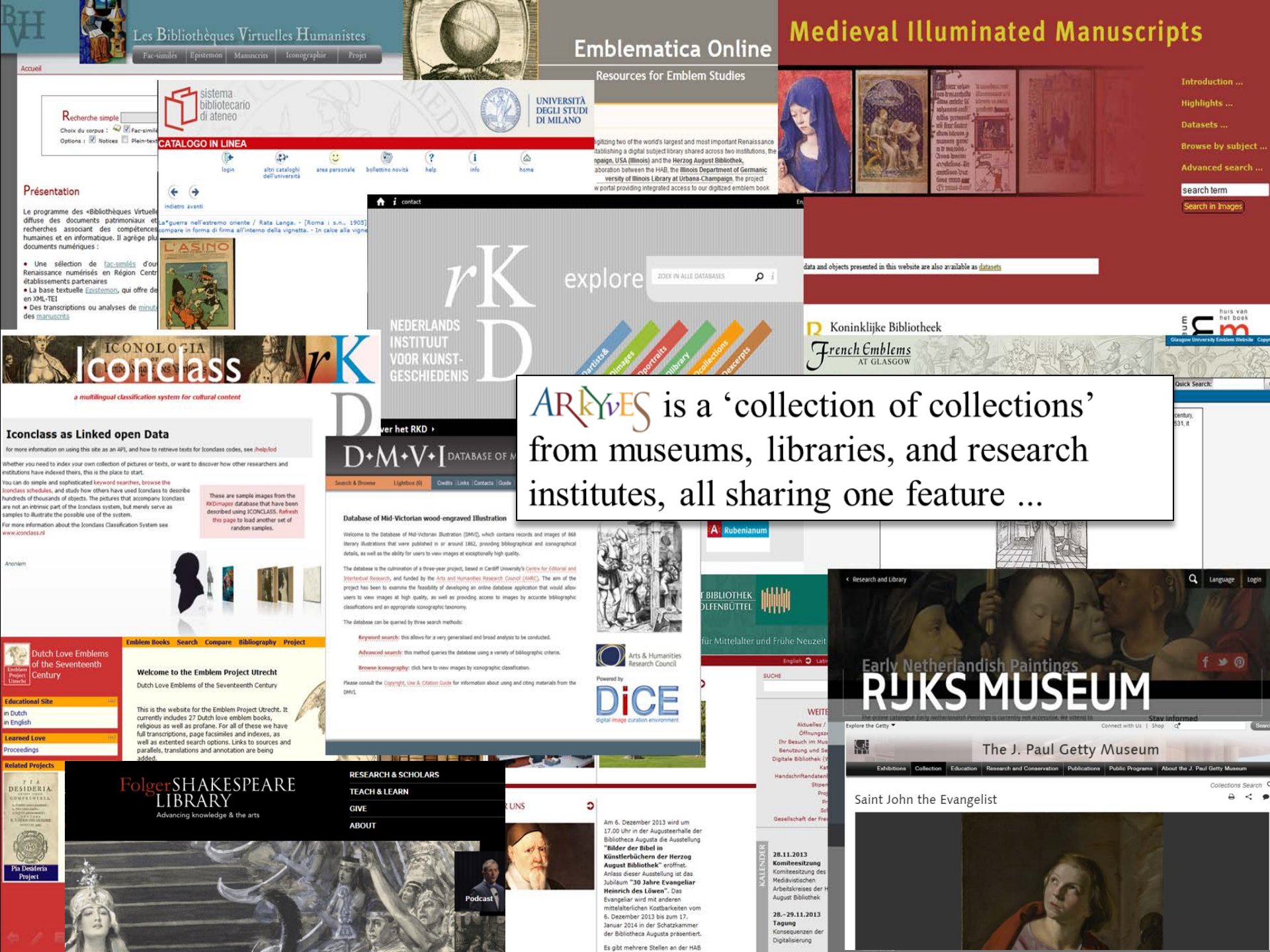


# Organizing serendipity

*Knowledge discovery with Arkyves 2.0*



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indietro avanti

La guerra nell'estremo oriente / Rata Langa. - [Roma : a.n., 1905] compare in forma di firma all'interno della vignetta. - In calce alla vignetta.



## Présentation

Le programme des «Bibliothèques Virtuelles Humanistes» vise à diffuser des documents patrimoniaux et à faciliter les recherches associant des compétences humaines et en informatique. Il agrège plusieurs documents numériques :

- Une sélection de fac-similes d'ouvrages de la Renaissance numérisés en Région Centre
- La base textuelle Epistemon, qui offre des transcriptions ou analyses de manuscrits

Iconologia

a multilingual classification system for cultural content

## Iconclass as Linked open Data

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## Translating Iconclass into more languages

There are projects underway to translate Iconclass into more languages. You can [contact the coordinators](#) for more information, or if you would like to volunteer help.

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... they all use the standard classification for cultural content, ICONCLASS, for their subject access

These are sample images from the [RKDimages](#) database that have been described using ICONCLASS. [Refresh this page](#) to load another set of random samples.

*Verbruggen, Pieter (I)*

Details



## Sections and Collections

Arkyves is now subdivided in the **sections** shown on the right. These are developing organically from the datasets we are able to include. Sections like Paintings or Photography allow searching across datasets imported from, for example, the Rijksmuseum, the Netherlands Institute for Art History, and the Getty Research Institute. Sections can also originate as cataloguing or research projects, like Alchemy, Emblem Books or Metamorphoses.

**Collections** are all available as filters to limit searches to specific datasets.

### Collection

- ☐ Alchemy (2430)
- ☐ Alciatus Collection Glasgow
- ☐ Arkyves Core Collections (20602)
- ☐ Arkyves Emblem Books (186)
- ☐ Arkyves Printer's Devices (1949)
- ☐ Bayerische Staatsbibliothek (292)
- ☐ Biblia Sacra (16942)
- ☐ Bibliothèques Virtuelles Humanistes (3398)
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- ☐ Emblems (53776)
- ☐ Fables (3202)
- ☐ Folger Shakespeare Library (8127)
- ☐ French Emblems Glasgow (423)
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- ☐ Getty Provenance Index (137873)
- ☐ Herzog August Bibliothek (48053)
- ☐ Illustrated Books (83555)
- ☐ KB Nederland Medieval Manuscripts (8028)
- ☐ Koninklijk Bibliotheek Nederland (194)
- ☐ Library of Congress (333)
- ☐ Marengo Satirical Journals (12327)
- ☐ Medieval Manuscripts (11287)
- ☐ Mid-Victorian Illustration (868)
- ☐ Museum Meermanno (2829)
- ☐ Netherlands Institute for Art History (201663)
- ☐ Printers Devices (2618)
- ☐ Rijksmuseum (112590)
- ☐ Stirling Maxwell (12022)
- ☐ Typography
- ☐ Universiteit Amsterdam (2115)
- ☐ Utrecht Love Emblems (2025)
- ☐ Virtual Print Cabinet (36857)

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All content

Medieval Manuscripts

Emblem Books

Paintings

Periodicals

Printer's Devices

Photography

Prints

Proverbs








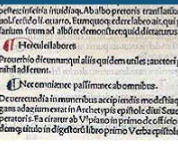




Fables

Metamorphoses

Alchemy

Drawings


Click to return to the Home page from where you can select a specific section or 'All content'

A search is performed or repeated by clicking the Search button.

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Medieval Manuscripts

Q Search

crucifixion "book of hours"

183 results found, sorted Randomly ▾

Clear Search

ICONCLASS in English ▾

We found your search most often combined with:

1

2 3 4 6 7

**1 Religion and Magic**

- ☐ 11B3231 God the Father holding the crucifix, 'Gnadenstuhl', Mercy-Seat, Throne of Grace
- ☐ 11B3232 God the Father standing or seated, holding the body of Christ, 'Pitié-de-Notre-Seigneur', 'Not Gottes'
- ☐ 11B3231(+3) God the Father holding the crucifix, 'Gnadenstuhl', Mercy-Seat, Throne of Grace (+ angel(s))
- ☐ 11P31131 insignia of bishop, e.g. mitre, crozier
- ☐ 11G25 angels in adoration
- ☐ 11Q714113 altar with altar-piece
- ☐ 11HH(...) female saints (with NAME)
- ☐ 11H(ACHATIUS)61(+0) the martyrdom of Achatius and his 10.000 companions on Mount Ararat: they are crucified and/or impaled on trees or thorns (+ variant)
- ☐ 11H(ANDREW) the apostle Andrew; possible attributes: book, X-shaped cross, fish, fishing-net, rope, scroll
- ☐ 11D123(ANDREW'S CROSS) specific forms of the cross: Andrew's cross
- ☐ 11HH(CLARE) the virgin and foundress of the Order of Minorettes (or Poor Clares), Clare of Assisi; possible attributes: book, cross, flaming horn, lily, monstrosity, palm-branch, pastoral staff, rosary


Refine further with:

Tree

Clipboard


- ☐ > 0 Abstract, Non-representational Art
- ☒ > 1 Religion and Magic
- ☒ > 2 Nature
- ☒ > 3 Human Being, Man in General
- ☒ > 4 Society, Civilization, Culture
- ☒ > 5 Abstract Ideas and Concepts
- ☒ > 6 History
- ☒ > 7 Bible

### The active section




The Crucifixion, with Mary, St. John and St. Mary Magdalene

☐ Manuscript Illumination




The Crucifixion, with Mary, St. John and St. Mary Magdalene

☐ Manuscript Illumination




The Trinity: God the Father holding the body of Christ (Not Gottes)

☐ Manuscript Illumination




The Crucifixion, with Mary, St. John and St. Mary Magdalene

☐ Manuscript Illumination




The Crucifixion, with Mary and St. John

☐ Manuscript Illumination




St. Leo the Great reading a book

☐ Manuscript Illumination




The Crucifixion, with Mary, St. John and St. Mary Magdalene

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☐ Manuscript Illumination




The Crucifixion, with Mary, St. John and St. Mary Magdalene

☐ Manuscript Illumination




The Crucifixion, with Mary and St. John, the confessing centurion and soldiers

☐ Manuscript Illumination




The Trinity: God the Father holding the crucifix (Mercy-Seat)

☐ Manuscript Illumination




Crucifixion, with Mary and St. John (3rd of 5)

☐ Manuscript Illumination




The Crucifixion, with Mary, St. John, St. Mary Magdalene and two others (the confessing)

☐ Manuscript Illumination




The Crucifixion, with Mary, St. John and St. Mary Magdalene

☐ Manuscript Illumination



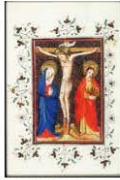
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☐ Manuscript Illumination



Crucifixion, with Mary and St. John

☐ Manuscript Illumination



The Crucifixion, with Mary and St. John

☐ Manuscript Illumination



A search filter that you use for one section can easily be kept and then re-used for another one. Shown here is the search for *reptiles* in Medieval Manuscripts and the same search in Emblem Books. It only takes two clicks to repeat a search for a very different set of images.

[illegible]

The same filter can also be used to search the complete database. Clicking on the **All content** link at the top of the screen and then repeating the search will retrieve records from the whole database. You may repeat the same query or modify it with additional filters.

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All content

Search

reptiles

3807 results found, sorted Randomly

Clear Search

ICONCLASS in English

We found your search most often combined with:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

2 Nature

☐ 25F42 snakes
 ☐ 25FF411 dragon
 ☐ 25F44 tortoises, turtles
 ☐ 25F41 lizards
 ☐ 25H11 mountains
 ☐ 25H213 river
 ☐ 25F42(+5253) snakes (+ animal rotating, twisting)
 ☐ 26A clouds
 ☐ 25G3 trees
 ☐ 25G13 groups of plants (herbs)
 ☐ 25I12 prospect of city, town panorama, silhouette of city
 ☐ 25FF422 dragon (large fabulous serpent, sometimes with wings and legs)
 ☐ 25A13 globe
 ☐ 25H15 forest, wood
 ☐ 25G11 groups of trees
 ☐ 25FF412 salamander (fabulous animal); salamander as spirit of fire
 ☐ 25F41(CHAMELEON) lizards: chameleon
 ☐ 25G41(TULIP) flowers: tulip
 ☐ 25I1 city-view in general; 'veduta'
 ☐ 25I3 farm or solitary house in landscape
 ☐ 25G3(+21) trees (+ stem, trunk)
 ☐ 25F711(BUTTERFLY) insects: butterfly

Refine further with:

Tree

Clipboard

☐ > 0 Abstract, Non-representational Art
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 ☐ > 5 Abstract Ideas and Concepts
 ☐ > 6 History
 ☐ > 7 Bible

Hermes Trismegistus, Basilus Valentinus, Occulta Philosophia
 ☐ Book
 ☒ Illustration

Entree van Hendrik van Lotharingen ()
 ☐ Book
 ☒ Illustration

RAFFAELLO SANTI (Italian), school Donna in letto con serpe, pare la madre di Alessandro Magno
 ☐ Book
 ☒ Illustration

Edward Topsell, The historie of serpents, or The second booke of living creatures
 ☐ Book
 ☒ Illustration

Personification of the river Nile as a reclining man holding a cornucopia; a hippopotamus; frame
 ☐ Printers Device

A salamander sits happily between the flames in a fire
 ☐ Emblem
 ☒ Pictura

While weeping a crocodile attacks a man
 ☐ Emblem
 ☒ Pictura

Saffron plants protecting a bee-hive from a crocodile
 ☐ Emblem
 ☒ Pictura

A turtle slowly but surely ascends a mountain
 ☐ Emblem
 ☒ Pictura

unbekannt [Stecher] Jode, Gerard de [Verleger] Gheeraerts, Marcus d. A. [Inventor]
 ☐ Image

A lion with a snake around his neck
 ☐ Emblem
 ☒ Pictura

Sint Joris en de draak
 ☐ Image

Lacertus (lizard)
 ☐ Manuscript
 ☒ Illumination

Dieren rond een vijver
 ☐ Image

The wind blows at the flame of the candle
 ☐ Emblem
 ☒ Pictura

De Grotosco (serietitel) Panel



## The purpose of a simple search

Consulting the Arkyves database in a research context can have various types of questions as point of departure.

- Does Arkyves contain information about the specific work of art that I am studying
- Does it contain comparable images that can shed light on the imagery I am interested in?
- Does Arkyves contain texts and images that can help me contextualize my object of study?

While the final purpose of your queries and the scope of your research may diverge widely, searching the database will very often start in the same way – with a simple word search.\*

For obvious reasons the way you formulate your question will influence the search results. When you use the exact same words as the original cataloguer and select a specific section you will get a very precise result. For instance, if you are familiar with Holbein's *Dance of Death* design of Death visiting a doctor, and then search with the words “*death doctor urine*” while also limiting your search to the **Prints** section, you will retrieve a copy of the print from the Rijksmuseum and a print with a related theme by Philips Galle – even if the original captions are in Dutch.



\* One of the functions still under development for Arkyves is a reverse image search, where you will start your searching with an image rather than with words.

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Prints

Search death doctor urine

2 results found, sorted Randomly

Clear Search

ICONCLASS in English

We found your search most often combined with:

3 4

3 Human Being, Man in General

- ☐ 31G36 the soul going to its last destination
- ☐ 31G1 the soul during lifetime
- ☐ 31E123 death struggle, inquiet death; fear of death
- ☐ 31E12 deathbed
- ☐ 31C spirit (or soul) versus body
- ☐ 31F3 dance of Death; Death together with one or more human beings

Refine further with:

Tree Clipboard

- ☐ > 0 Abstract, Non-representational Art
- ☐ > 1 Religion and Magic
- ☐ > 2 Nature

Search Results 0 Saved Items

Arts en de Dood ()  
Dodendans (serietitel)  
bloksnijder:  
Lützelburger, Hans  
prentmaker:  
Holbein, Hans (II)  
☐ Image

Alleen een ziek lichaam wordt verzorgd ()  
Allegorieën over de zorg van de m...  
toegeschreven aan atelier van prentmaker: Galle, Philips vermeld op object uitgever: Galle, Joannes  
☐ Image



Searching with less will find  
you more...

So, when you reduce your query to *death* and *doctory* you will find 19 prints; but if you then repeat the question for **All content**, the tally rises to 439 items.

As you can see, the searches not only produce a set of results in the shape of a thumbnail gallery. They also produce helpful hints shown to the left of the gallery. We shall look at them in more detail below, but first we shall simply take the hint and repeat our search, but now for these concepts:

31F3 dance of Death:  
Death together with one  
or more human beings  
and  
49G1 physician, doctor.

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Q Search death doctor

19 results found, sorted Randomly

Clear Search

ICONCLASS in English

We found your search most often combined with:

1 2 3 4 5 6 9

3 Human Being, Man in General

☐ 31F26 Death as skeleton  
☐ 31F3 dance of Death; Death together with one or more human beings  
☐ 31F11 death's head, skull (symbol)  
☐ 31D15 adult woman  
☐ 31G36 the soul going to its last resting place  
☐ 31G1 the soul during lifetime  
☐ 31E123 death struggle, inquest  
☐ 31E12 deathbed  
☐ 31C spirit (or soul) versus body  
☐ 31E1 dying  
☐ 31A235 sitting figure  
☐ 31FF26 Death as skeleton - female  
☐ 31D14 adult man  
☐ 31FF25 Death as (rotting) corpse as female  
☐ 31F25 Death as (rotting) corpse  
☐ 31E23(+5) violent death, being mishandled and maltreated; death by martyrdom)

Refine further with:

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Q Search death doctor

439 results found, sorted by Date

Clear Search

ICONCLASS in English

We found your search most often combined with:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

4 Society, Civilization, Culture

☐ 49G1 physician, doctor  
☐ 49M32 book  
☐ 44G law and jurisprudence  
☐ 41A251 study; 'studiolo'; library  
☐ 46C1312 equestrian state-portrait  
☐ 41D91 man (showing himself) undressed, quasi-nude  
☐ 49L6 writing accessories  
☐ 44G321(GALLOWES) instruments of torture, execution or punishment: gallows  
☐ 43C9 dancing  
☐ 41E1 still life of related objects  
☐ 44F51(+0) (revolutionary) plot, conspiracy (+ variant)  
☐ 41A23 bedroom  
☐ 48A9875 ornament ~ festoon, garland  
☐ 41D263 walking-stick, staff, cane  
☐ 41D221(+81) head-gear (+ men's clothes)  
☐ 41D211(+81) dress, gown (+ men's clothes)  
☐ 42E131 mourning the dead  
☐ 46A17 working class, labourers  
☐ 43C128 fisherman  
☐ 45U28 battle

Prints





All content

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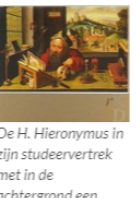

Hollar, Wenzel (Stocker) Holbein

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Search Results

0 Saved Items

Physician pulling a sword from the upper leg of a man

The martyrdom of two male saints, perhaps Cosmas and Damianus: they are stabbed(?) while hanging fr...

De H. Hieronymus in zijn studeervetrek met in de achtergrond een landschap...

De H. Hieronymus in zijn studeervetrek

☐ Manuscript Illumination

☐ Image

☐ Image

☐ Image

De H. Hieronymus in zijn studeervetrek

De H. Hieronymus in zijn studeervetrek

De H. Hieronymus in de wildernis

Arts en de Dood (I) Dodendans (serietitel)

Reymerswale, Marinus van

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bloksnijder: Lützelburger, Hans prentmaker: Holbein, Hans (II)

Taking the hint from the first set of results and switching to a more precise query – the Iconclass concepts for *doctor* and *dance of Death* – we now retrieve 11 items from the database, half of which are based on Holbein’s design. Zooming in on one of these also provides additional context as it gives us the text of Luke IV:23 – *Medice, cura te ipsum* - which the Holbein design refers to.

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[All content](#)

11 results found, sorted Randomly ▾

[Clear Search](#)

**This is what you searched for:**

- ✖ Must have ▾ 49G1 physician, doctor
- ✖ Must have ▾ 31F3 dance of Death; Death together with one or more human beings

ICONCLASS in English ▾

We found your search most often combined with:

Search Results

0 Saved Items

Jean de Vauzelles,  
Imagines mortis  
☐ Book  
☒ Illustration

Death as a skeleton,  
holding a jar while  
leading an old man  
into a doctor's

Hollar, Wenzel  
[Stecher] Holbein  
der Jüngere, Hans  
[Inventor]  
☐ Image

reserved for  
caption  
☐ Emblem  
☐ Pictura

Death as a skeleton, holding a jar while leading an old man into a doctor's

XXVIII.

*Medice, cura te ipsum. Luca 4.*

*Tu bene cognoscis morbos, artemq; me-*  
*dendi,*  
*Quæ simul ægrotis subveniatur, ha-*  
*bes.*  
*Sed caput, ô stupidum, cum fata aliena*  
*retardet,*  
*Ignoras morbi, quo moriere, genus.*

Luc. 4.

Arzt hilff dir selber.

Du bist gelehrt/ kanst alle Kranckheit  
nennen/  
Man muß umb Rast vnd Hülffe zu dir  
rennen;  
Du heltest zwar der andern ührlein  
auff/  
Vnd weißest nicht/ wann deins zum en-  
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Death as a skeleton, holding a jar while leading an old man into a doctor's

XXVIII.

*Medice, cura te ipsum. Luca 4.*

*Tu bene cognoscis morbos, artemq; me-*  
*dendi,*  
*Quæ simul ægrotis subveniatur, ha-*  
*bes.*  
*Sed caput, ô stupidum, cum fata aliena*  
*retardet,*  
*Ignoras morbi, quo moriere, genus.*



## Combining sources

A man sleeping on the ground, resting his head on his arm, an empty scabbard in front of him; another soldier-like man with two swords, and a man with a slit throat wearing a monk's habit lying on his back.

This print, signed by Lucas van Leyden's 'L' and dated 1508, is found with a rather simple word search, even if we pretend not to know the story about Mohammed's servant killing the hermit Sergius with the sword of his master who had fallen asleep from too much wine. Searching for *sleeping soldier monk and sword* will do the trick. Then, exploring the suggestions made by the system, and shifting to a search for the Iconclass concepts *Mohammed* and *sleeping on the ground*, we also retrieve a page from a 1639 edition of the 14th century book by John Mandeville that was the source of the Sergius story represented by Lucas van Leyden.

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IC ICONCLASS

Q Search Type here to start searching

3 results found, sorted by Type ▼ Clear Search

This is what you searched for:

✕ Must have ▼ 12I52(MOHAMMED) seer, prophet ~ Islam, Mohammedanism: Mohammed

✕ Must have ▼ 31B13 sleeping on the ground

ICONCLASS in English ▼

We found your search most often combined with:

1 2 3 4 5

1 Religion and Magic


☒ 12I52(MOHAMMED) seer, prophet ~ Islam, Mohammedanism: Mohammed

☐ 11Q331(+0) anchorite, hermit (+ variant)

☐ 11P31521 monk(s), friar(s)


Refine further with:

Search Results 1 Saved Items



John Mandeville, The voyages and travaux


☐ Book ☐ Illustration



Mohammed en de monnik Sergius

naar eigen ontwerp van: Leyden, Lucas van vermeld op object prentmaker: Leyden, Lucas van

☐ Image



Mohammed en de monnik Sergius

naar eigen ontwerp van: Leyden, Lucas van vermeld op object prentmaker: Leyden, Lucas van

☐ Image



## From a simple search to a voyage of discovery

To find what you are looking for ... obviously, that is what you should expect a database system to deliver. And Arkyves delivers.

However, to actually help you discover new information that could be relevant to your research, or even give you new insights – that might well be beyond what you expect from a database.

Of course, Arkyves will not actually *do* your research for you, but it *is* able to associatively point you in directions you may not have thought of before you started your search.

To demonstrate this we use a simple keyword search as our starting point.

**Alcohol** will perhaps not be the most obvious word to start an iconographic query, but it will help us to show the sophisticated functionalities we want to explain.

## The sort option

Your first option is to rearrange the thumbnail gallery resulting from this search on the word 'alcohol' that produced well over 2,500 hits. By default results are sorted in random order, but with one click you can sort them in a different order, for example *by date*. This will cause the oldest material in Arkyves, medieval manuscript illuminations, to be shown at the top of the thumbnail gallery. Various sort options are available for you to try out.

The screenshot displays the Arkyves database interface, which is part of the BRILL Over three centuries of scholarly publishing platform. The search bar at the top shows the keyword 'alcohol' and indicates 2581 results found, sorted Randomly. A red circle highlights the search bar and the 'Sort by Date' dropdown menu. The interface is divided into several sections: a sidebar on the left for refining the search, a main results area, and a right sidebar for saved items. The sidebar on the left lists various categories and subcategories, including '1 Religion and Magic' and '11N35 Gluttony, Intemperance, 'Gula'; 'Gola', 'Ingordigia', 'Ingordigia overo Avidità', 'Voracità' (Ripa) ~ personification of one of the Seven Deadly Sins'. The main results area shows a grid of thumbnail images, each with a caption and a 'Manuscript Illumination' checkbox. The thumbnails include various religious and historical scenes, such as 'Stilleven met molenbeker en ander luxe voorwerp', 'Elegante vrouw aan tafel', 'Stilleven met vruchten, wijnglas en een oester', 'De maaltijd te Emmaus (Lucas 24:30)', 'Stilleven met glaswerk, kroeff en vruchten op een porseleinen schotel', and 'Stilleven met vruchten en'. The right sidebar shows '0 Saved Items' and a list of saved items, including 'Legend of the knight with a little wine cask', 'January: a man pouring wine', 'Legend of the drunken monk, attacked by the devil in the shape of a bear and two lions', 'Virgin and Child', and 'Jan van Eyck'. A red circle highlights the 'Legend of the drunken monk' thumbnail.



One of the medieval hits we find with the word ‘alcohol’ is this miniature of a monk who has a delirious vision of the devil in the shape of lions and a bear. The monk will be saved by the virgin Mary, as his story tells one of the *Miracles de Notre Dame*.

Unmiraculous but noteworthy is the fact that we retrieve this item with the word “*alcohol*” while the record actually contains the Iconclass concept “31B521 drunkard” and the phrase “drunken monk”. The word “alcohol” was not used in the metadata.

Search

alcohol

Collections

Medieval Manuscripts

Byvanck Genootschap

KB Nederland Medieval Manuscripts

Manuscript

The Hague, Koninklijke Bibliotheek, MS 71 A 24

Gautier de Coinsi, *Les miracles de Notre Dame. Les vies des Peres*

Paris; c. 1320-1340

Codicology:

Vellum, ff. 189, 432x317 (285/300x225) mm, 3 columns, 48 lines, littera textualis. French. Binding: 18th-century brown leather, gilt, with coat of arms of Stadtholder William V

Provenance:


Acquired by the Counts of Nassau Engelbert II (d. 1504) or Henri III (d. 1538); by inheritance to the Princes of Orange-Nassau, the later Stadtholders, at The Hague; sold in 1749. Acquired in 1809 as part of the collection of J. Visser of The Hague (no. 97)

Bibliography:

Oranje-Nassau Boekrij 1898 - Brandhorst & Broekhuijsen-Kruijer 1985, no. 28. - Inventaris 2 1993, pp. 15-16. - Renting & Korteweg 1993. - Korteweg 1998


139 items

Legend of the monk Theophilus:




Theophilus praying to Mary in a church


Mary gives St. Ildefonso a chasuble



Legend of the Jewish boy who was thrown into the oven by his father



Legend of the lewd clerk of Chartres



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Search

alcohol

In Search results

Collections

Byvanck Genootschap

KB Nederland Medieval Manuscripts

Medieval Manuscripts

ICONCLASS

11F83 legends and miracles ~ Mary

11K2(BEAR) devils in the form of (BEAR) animals (BEAR)

11K2(LION) devils in the form of (LION) animals (LION)

11P31521 monk(s), friar(s)

25F23(BEAR) beasts of prey, predatory animals: bear

25F23(LION) beasts of prey, predatory animals: lion

31B521 drunkard

Manuscript Illumination

The Hague, Koninklijke Bibliotheek, MS 71 A 24

Gautier de Coinsi, *Les miracles de Notre Dame. Les vies des Peres*


Folio: 12v miniature

Legend of the drunken monk, attacked by the devil in the shape of a bear and two lions

+

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×



Parent

Click “Parent” to see all the illustrations of this manuscript in Arkyves

## Thematic suggestions

The second option you have to make more of your search results is to explore the suggestions from the lists offered to the left of the thumbnail gallery.

These lists gather themes that are in one way or another related to the word we used to start our search – alcohol. These themes are all taken from the Iconclass classification system, and ordered in compliance with the main categories of this system.

System category 4 “Society, Civilization, Culture”, for example, contains concepts like “glass of wine”, “wine as alcoholic drink”, but also “drinking” and “grape”.

Among the abstract ideas and concepts somehow related to (co-occurring with) “alcohol” we find “wealth, opulence” but also “intemperance” and “mockery”.

From category 3 “Human Being, Man in General” originate concepts like “drunkenness”, “drunkard” but also “drunken brawl”.

All of those concept suggest fruitful venues for further exploration of the database, but in a highly associative manner.

The image displays three overlapping screenshots of the BRILL ARKIVES Iconclass search interface. The search term "alcohol" is entered in the search bar. The interface shows 2581 results found, sorted Randomly. The left sidebar displays the Iconclass classification system, with category 4 "Society, Civilization, Culture" highlighted. The main content area shows the search results, with category 5 "Abstract Ideas and Concepts" highlighted. The right sidebar shows the search results, with category 3 "Human Being, Man in General" highlighted. The interface includes a search bar, a results count, a "Clear Search" button, and a "Search Results" button. The left sidebar also includes a "Refine further with:" section with a "Tree" and "Clipboard" option.

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ARKIVES  
IC ICONCLASS

Search alcohol

2581 results found, sorted Randomly

Clear Search

Search Results 0 Saved Items

ICONCLASS in English

We found your search most often combined with:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

4 Society, Civilization, Culture

- 41C7111 glass of wine
- 41C711 wine ~ alcoholic drinks
- 41C341 dish, plate, saucer
- 41C323 glass, rummer
- 41C714 beer, ale
- 41C653(LEMON) fruit (LEMON)
- 41C12 drinking
- 47I4223 grape
- 41A2 interior of the house
- 41C653(PEACH) fruit (PEACH)
- 41C37 table-cloth
- 41C621 bread, loaf
- 41C653 fruit
- 41A711 table
- 41C322:41C714 mug, beaker, goblet : beer
- 41A775 wooden container: barrel, cask
- 41A771 container of metal: bucket, can, can drum, tin, etc.
- 47I4222 bunch of grapes
- 47D8(KNIFE) tools, aids, implements ~ craft industries: knife
- 41C122 pouring
- 41C653(ORANGE) fruit (ORANGE)
- 41C741 pipe ~ tobacco
- 41A774 container of glass: bottle, jar, vase

Refine further with:

Tree Clipboard

> 0 Abstract, Non-representational Art

> 1 Religion and Magic

2581 results found, sorted Randomly

Clear Search

Search Results 0 Saved Items

ICONCLASS in English

We found your search most often combined with:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

5 Abstract Ideas and Concepts

- 55B1 Wealth, Opulence; 'Opulenza', 'Richezza' (Ripa)
- 54AA43 Intemperance, Immoderation
- 55CC11(+4) Greed, Covetousness, Cupidity; 'Cupidità' (Ripa) (+ emblematical representation of concept)
- 51I2 Fullness
- 57BB2 Mockery, Derision, Irreverence; 'Derisione', 'Disprezzo della Virtù' (Ripa)
- 56F2522(+4) 'Tormento d'amore' (Ripa) (+ emblematical representation of concept)
- 56F2(+4) (personifications and symbolic representations of) Love; 'Amore (secondo Seneca)' (Ripa) (+ emblematical representation of concept)
- 56BB12(+4) Torment; 'Tribulatione' (Ripa) (+ emblematical representation of concept)
- 55AA1 Loss
- 55A1:55AA1 Acquisition, Gain, Profit : Loss
- 5(+113) Abstract Ideas and Concepts (+ clothed)
- 57AA661(+123) Worldliness; 'Appetito' (Ripa) (+ clothed)
- 54BB2:52D3 Unnecessity, Superfluity : Eloquentia; 'Eloquenza', 'Fermezza'

Refine further with:

Tree Clipboard

> 0 Abstract, Non-representational Art

2581 results found, sorted Randomly

Clear Search

Search Results 0 Saved Items

ICONCLASS in English

We found your search most often combined with:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

3 Human Being, Man in General

- 31B52 drunkenness
- 31D14 adult man
- 31B521 drunkard
- 31D13 adolescent, young woman, maiden
- 31D15 adult woman
- 34B11 dog
- 31A235 sitting figure
- 31D12 youth, young man, adolescent
- 31B522 drunken brawl (usually peasants fighting in an inn)
- 31A231 standing figure
- 31D16 old man
- 33C23 couple of lovers
- 33A35 conversation, dialogue; conversation piece
- 31B6235 speaking
- 31B62321 laughing
- 31A2511(+933):41C323 arm raised upward (+ holding something) : glass, rummer
- 33A3 visiting; receiving guests; elegant company
- 31D17 old woman
- 31B1 sleeping; unconsciousness
- 31A25552 index finger forwards, pointing, indicating

Refine further with:

Tree Clipboard

> 0 Abstract, Non-representational Art



## Using the suggestions

When you want to further explore the database with the help of the suggested themes and topics, you can simply tick the box to the left of the concept definition. You can click on the text of the definition, which will then show the concept's broader terms.

Shown here are the broader terms (the Path through the hierarchy) of 31B521 drunkard.

These broader terms are also provided with tick boxes, so you can easily broaden the scope of a search or increase its precision. The effect is shown here in these screenshots. In the first one the concept drunkenness is about to be selected as a filter.

In the second one the search for this concept has been executed, with almost 700 images of “drunkenness” as a result.

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ARKIVES  
ICONCLASS

Search alcohol

2581 results found, sorted Randomly

Clear Search

Search Results 5 Saved Items

Note: These search results are for a different set of filters. Press the

ICONCLASS in English

We found your search most often combined with:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

3 Human B

- ☐ 3 Human Being, Man in General
- ☐ 31 man in a general biological sense
- ☐ 31B mind, spirit
- ☐ 31B52 drunkenness
- ☐ 31B521 drunkard
- ☐ 31D15 adolescent, young woman, maiden
- ☐ 31B521 drunkard
- ☐ 31D13 adolescent, young woman, maiden
- ☐ 31A231 standing figure
- ☐ 31D12 youth, young man, adolescent

met oesters  
ten

Heem, Jan Davidsz.  
de Heem, Jan Jansz.  
de

Image

En zijn huis staat in  
brand () Los  
Caprichos (serietitel)  
Ysele quema la ca...

Interieur met  
drinkende vrouw en  
slapende soldaat  
Borch, Gerard ter

Search Type here to start searching

693 results found, sorted Randomly

Clear Search

Search Results 5 Saved Items

This is what you searched for:

✖ Must have 31B52 drunkenness

ICONCLASS in English

We found your search most often combined with:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

1 Religion and Magic

- ☐ 12B13 representations ~ gods, demi-gods, heroes, etc. (non-Christian religions)
- ☐ 11P9 (aspects of) Christian Religion or the Church (as institution) ridiculed, criticized, or caricaturized
- ☐ 11N32 Envy; 'Invidia' (Ripa) ~ personification of one of the Seven Deadly Sins
- ☐ 11Q712 church (exterior)
- ☐ 11K2(+0) devils in the form of (fabulous) animals (+

reserved for  
caption  
☐ Emblem  
Pictura

Vier boeren rond een  
tafel  
Both, Andries  
Egbert van (II)  
☐ Image

[ANONYMOUS]  
(Unknown)  
1  
boerengelagh Schilderij  
In de ganck  
Owned by: Lutzen,  
Pieter van  
(koopman)

De parabel van de  
vijf wijze en de vijf  
dwaze maagden  
Bronckhorst, Jan

Dorpskermis met een  
tandentrekker  
Heemskerck,  
Egbert van (II)  
☐ Image

DIEPRAEN  
ABRAHAM  
Droncken  
boer Schilderij  
Owned by:  
Rommersv  
Maria van  
☐ Prove

Feestviering  
gezelschap

## Multilingual iconographic metadata

This screenshot shows further aspects of the new Arkyves interface and functionality.

### Switching between Iconclass languages

You may notice that the text of the suggestions derived from the Iconclass system is now in Italian. The text of the Iconclass system can be switched on the fly. Do note that not all translations are completed yet. Iconclass is available in English, German, French, Italian, Portuguese in its entirety. The other languages only have partial Iconclass systems. Their schedules are shown in a mixture of the translation and the original English.

Furthermore you can see how the concept “drunkenness” (ubriachezza) has now been combined in a Boolean “AND” query with “vomitare” to retrieve a rather mawkish set of warnings against the consequences of alcohol abuse.

Items from the search results can be kept as “Saved Items” by simply ticking the box below a thumbnail.

The screenshot displays the BRILL Arkyves Iconclass search interface. At the top, the BRILL logo and tagline "Over three centuries of scholarly publishing" are visible, along with the ARKIVES and ICONCLASS logos. A search bar at the top center contains the text "Type here to start searching". Below the search bar, it indicates "18 results found, sorted Randomly".

On the left side, there are two main sections. The first section, titled "This is what you searched for:", shows two filters: "Must have ▾ 31B52 ubriachezza" and "Must have ▾ 31A63 vomitare". The second section, titled "ICONCLASS in Italian ▾", shows a list of languages: English, German, French, Italian (selected), Portuguese, Finnish, Dutch, Polish, and Chinese. Below this, a list of search results is shown, including "1 Religion and", "11N32 Inv...", "11M44 Gi...", "11M33 Ca...", "11P3152...", "11L31(+0)", "11R5 pers...", "11L52 etica; 'Etica' (Ripa)", "11K1(+0) diavolo in sembianze umane (+ variante)", "11N36 Lussuria, Lascivia, 'Luxuria'; 'Lussuria' (Ripa) ~ personificazione di uno dei sette Peccati Capitali", and "11N35 Gola, Intemperanza, 'Gula'; 'Gola'; 'Ingordigia'; 'Ingordigia ovvero Avidità'; 'Voracità' (Ripa) ~ personificazione di uno dei sette Peccati Capitali".

On the right side, there are two main sections. The first section, titled "Search Results", shows a note: "Note: These search results are for a different set of filters. Press the search button again if you want to search with the c". Below this, there are several search results, each with a thumbnail image and a description. The second section, titled "5 Saved Items", shows a list of saved items, including "Hopfer, Daniel [Inventor] Hopfer, Daniel [Stecher] Funck, David [Verleger]" and "Antoine Le Grand, An entire body of philosophy according to the principles of the famous Renate Des Cartes".



## Adding concepts to your search

One of the more striking examples of a moralizing lesson warning against alcohol abuse uses the image of a stag that has tripped over a log.

A key concept this image aims to convey is that of **Intemperance**, exemplified by the excessively intoxicated animal.

To shift the focus of your search to this concept – found by association – simply ticking the box and then clicking the Search button suffices.

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Emblem Books

Search Type here to start searching

This is what you searched for:

- Must have - 31B52 drunkenness
- Must have - 54AA43 Intemperance, Immoderation

In Search results

Collections

- Emblems
- Fables
- Illustrated Books
- Emblem Books Illinois

ICONCLASS

- ☐ 25F24(S)
- ☐ 31B521
- ☐ 41A34
- ☐ 41C31a
- ☐ 47I872
- ☒ 54AA43 Intemperance, Immoderation
- ☒ 86(EBRIETATIS COMITES, PECCATUM, DAMNUM, IGNOMINIA) proverbs, sayings, etc. (EBRIETATIS COMITES, PECCATUM, DAMNUM, IGNOMINIA)

Emblem Pictura

MYTHOLOGIA ETHICA, HOC EST Moralis philosophiae per fabulas brutis attributas, traditae, amoenissimum viridarium: In d labyrintho demonstrato virtutis semita pulcherrimis praeceptis, veluti Thesei filo docetur. Artificiosissimis nobilissimorum sc ab Arnoldo Freitagio Embricensi, latine explicatis, aeri incisum

Edition: Antwerp Christopher Plantin 1579  
Author: Arnold Freitag  
Copy: Urbana-Champaign (Illinois) - University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign - 096.1 F884m  
4<sup>o</sup>; pp 265  
Christopher Plantin

A drunken stag is lying on the floor

Ebrietatis comites, peccatum, damnum, ignominia

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Ebrietatis comites, peccatum, damnum, ignominia.

This object has multiple images, click one to view:

Transcription

Original Source Facsimile Parent

The original source button will take you to the website of the partner institution

The parent button will call forth all the items we have of a composite object, such as a book

Search Type here to start searching

This is what you searched for:

- ✕ Must have ▾ 31B52 drunkenness
- ✕ Must have ▾ 54AA43 Intemperance, Immoderation

#### Collections

Emblem Books Illinois  
Emblems  
Fables  
Illustrated Books

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Emblem Book

MYTHOLOGIA ETHICA, HOC EST Moralis philosophiae per fabulas brutis attributas, traditae, amoenissimum viridarium: In humanae vitae labyrintho demonstrato virtutis semita pulcherrimis praeceptis, veluti Thesei filo docetur. Artificiosissimis nobilissimorum sculptorum iconibus ab Arnoldo Freitagio Embricensi, latine explicatis, aeri incisum

Author: Arnold Freitag  
Impressum: ANTVERPIAE Philippo Gallaeo Christophorus Plantinus excudebat M.D.LXXIX  
Edition: Antwerp Christopher Plantin 1579  
Copy: Urbana-Champaign (Illinois) University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign 096.1 F884m

124 items



Driver hitting a horse pulling a wagon



A lion devouring a lamb, a fox watching



An ape (baboon) holding her injured, dying young, while her other young sits behind her



A horse about to kick the lion who feigns to inspect his leg



Man in a state of distress, possibly representing drunkenness



Scene with multiple figures, possibly representing a moral lesson



**Book:** Mythologia ethica, hoc est, Moralis philosophiae per fabulas brutis attributas ... viridarium ... / artificiosiss[im]is nobilissimorum sculptor[um] iconib[us] ab Arnoldo Freitagio Embricensi, latine explicatis, [ae]ri incisum

HathiTrust page link  
Illinois emblem link  
Illinois pictura link

All the illustrations from the 'parent'  
i.e. Freitag's *Mythologia Ethica*, (Plantin 1579)

The website of the partner institution

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Ebrietatis comites, peccatum, damnum, ignominia.



Descriptors for this Emblem (Iconclass Headings)

25F24(STAG)(+536) - hoofed animals: stag (+ lying animal) ▾  
31B521(+0) - drunkard (+ variant) ▾

Language : English ▾



## Playing with the associated concepts

Having added the concept “Intemperance” to the active query for “drunkenness” finds us 12 records, not surprisingly from moralizing emblems and proverbs.

The selected concepts are shown at the top of the left hand menu.

Concepts that are also found in this more limited set of 12 results are shown immediately below this.

Simultaneously, concepts you have clicked on while looking around the search results, are stored on a special Clipboard so you can keep track of what you have searched for and you can easily come back and use them again in new combinations.

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All content

Search Type here to start searching

12 results found, sorted Randomly

Clear Search

This is what you searched for:

- Must have 31B52 drunkenness
- Must have 54AA43 Intemperance, Immoderation

ICONCLASS in English

We found your search most often combined with:

1 2 3 4 5 6 8 9

1 Religion and Magic

- 11R51 scenes symbolizing 'Vanitas'
- 11N36 Lust, Luxury, 'Luxuria'; 'Lussuria' (Ripa) ~ personification of one of the Deadly Sins
- 11N35 Gluttony, Intemperance, 'Gula'; 'Gola'; 'Ingordigia', 'Ingordigia overo Avidità'; 'Voracità' (Ripa) ~ personification of one of the Seven Deadly Sins

Refine further with:

Tree Clipboard

Your referenced notations

- 31B52 drunkenness
- 54AA43 Intemperance, Immoderation

Type

- Bibliography
- Bibliography Container
- Book
- Book Illustration
- Emblem Book
- Emblem Pictura (11)
- Facsimile

Search Results 0 Saved Items

A man is lying in bed with a hangover; in the background a woman is writing in a book

Emblem Pictura

A drunken stag is lying on the floor

Emblem Pictura

Erasmus, *Adagiorum chiliades* II iii 17

Episcythizare To drink like a Scythian

Luxus et mollicies

Proverb

A man is lying in bed with a hangover; in the background a woman is writing in a book

Emblem Pictura

A group of men eating and drinking excessively

Emblem Pictura

A man is lying in bed with a hangover; in the background a woman is writing in a book

Emblem Pictura

Death grabs the hair(?) of a man dancing with a woman at a banquet (medallion scene: a bare tree or bush in front of a gate)

Emblem Pictura

A hand from the clouds, holding a glass

Emblem Pictura

A drunken stag is lying on the floor

Emblem Pictura

Excess of the mouth: a man is lying in bed with a hangover

Emblem Pictura

Death helping a glutton to drink

## Continue your voyage of discovery

If you now want to shift your focus and follow the path of “Intemperance” – as directed by what you have found earlier – you can simply put the concept “drunkenness” **on hold**.

To this end you can click open a small window that also offers the more default Boolean conditions:

**Must have** = AND

**Include** = OR

**Exclude** = NOT

So, having put “drunkenness” on hold and having clicked the Search button again, the query is repeated but now only for the concept “Intemperance” – which so far has been identified in 86 objects in the database.

In only a few associative steps then, we have moved from a simple word search on “alcohol” to a high end query for the specific concept “Intemperance”.

The screenshot shows the BRILL ARKIVES ICNCLASS search interface. The top header reads "BRILL Over three centuries of scholarly publishing" and "ARKIVES ICNCLASS". A search bar contains the text "Search" and "Type here to start searching". Below the search bar, it says "12 results found, sorted Randomly". A dropdown menu is open, showing the search criteria: "Must have 31B52 drunkenness" and "- On Hold - 54AA43 Intemperance". The menu also shows options for "Include" and "Exclude". The search results section shows "86 results found, sorted Randomly". Below the search bar, it says "This is what you searched for:". The results are categorized under "1 Religion and Magic". The "Refine further with:" section shows "Tree" and "Clipboard" buttons. The "Your referenced notations" section shows "31B52 drunkenness" and "54AA43 Intemperance, Immoderation". The "We found your search most often combined with:" section lists various religious and magical concepts.



## The context of a concept

When a concept is moved to the special Clipboard a small arrow is added. If you click that the **Iconclass Tree Browser** – containing the complete schedules of the classification – is opened at the location of the selected concept.

Needless to say your search could also have started with browsing the Iconclass tree – but for obvious reasons it is much easier to let the Arkyves system guide you from a simple word search to a journey of discovery by organizing serendipity for you ...

Q Search

Type here to start searching

12 results found, sorted Randomly ▾

Clear Search

Search Results

0 Saved Items

This is what you searched for:

✕ Must have ▾ 31B52 drunkenness

✕ Must have ▾ 54AA43 Intemperance, Immoderation

ICONCLASS in English ▾

We found your search most often combined with:

1 2 3 4 5 6 8 9

1 Religion and Magic

☐ 11R51 scenes symbolizing 'Vanitas'

☐ 11N36 Lust, Luxury, 'Luxuria'; 'Lussuria' personification of one of the Deadly Sins

☐ 11N35 Gluttony, Intemperance, 'Gula'; 'Ingordigia', 'Ingordigia overo Avidità', 'V' (Ripa) ~ personification of one of the Seven Sins

Refine further with:

Tree

Clipboard

> 0 Abstract, Non-representational Art

☐ 1 Religion and Magic

☐ 2 Nature

☐ 3 Human Being, Man in General

☐ 31 man in a general biological sense

☐ 31A the (nude) human figure; 'Corpo humano' (Ripa)

☐ 31B mind, spirit

☐ 31B0 symbolic representations, allegories and emblems ~ mind, spirit

☐ 31B1 sleeping; unconsciousness

☐ 31B2 vision

☐ 31B3 dream

☐ 31B4 hypnosis and suggestion

☐ 31B5 the mind affected by drink, drugs or stimulants

☐ 31B51 intoxication


☒ 31B52 drunkenness

☐ 31B520 'Ubriachezza' (Ripa)


Your referenced notations

➡ 31B52 drunkenness


➡ 54AA43 Intemperance, Immoderation



A hand from the clouds, holding a glass




A man is lying in



Death helping a glutton to drink excessively

☐ Emblem

☐ Pictura



A drunker lying on the

☐ Emblem

☐ Pictura