

Terminology Dictionary

School of Art Gallery and Museum Database

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Part A

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Terms for pictures (photographs, oil paintings, prints, watercolours and drawings)

1.0 Overview of the Subject Matter (opening phrase of description)

Landscape
Picturesque landscape
Sublime landscape
Abstract landscape
Semi-abstract landscape
Upland landscape
Moorland landscape
Mountain landscape
Lowland landscape
Arable landscape
Rustic landscape
Wooded landscape
Woodland landscape
River landscape
Lake landscape
Winter landscape
Summer landscape
Twilight landscape
Nocturne

Classical landscape
Italian landscape
Italianate landscape
Welsh landscape
Welsh mountain landscape
Irish landscape
Fantastical landscape
Farm scene
Rural scene
Village scene
Rustic scene
Alpine scene
Italianate scene

Coastal landscape
Coastal scene
Harbour scene
Maritime scene
Seascape
Seaside view
Abstract seascape

Street scene
Urban scene
Industrial scene
Industrial landscape
Townscape
Cityscape
Canal view
Canalside view
View of ... (Venice)
View in ... (Venice)
Topographical
Topographical vignette
Topographical view
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Genre scene
Sport scene
Theatrical scene
War scene
Hunt scene
Battle scene
Classical scene
Mythological scene
Bacchanalian scene
Oriental
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Roman ruins

Ancient ruins

Biblical scene

Biblical story

Biblical illustration

Portrait

Historical portrait

Self portrait

Miniature portrait

Posed portrait

Studio portrait

Double portrait

Family portrait

Animal portrait

Interior

Church interior

Chapel interior

Cathedral interior

Abstract

Abstract composition

Abstract forms

Geometric abstract

Semi-abstract

Colour field abstract

Optical abstract

Minimalist abstract

Caricature

Cartoon

Life drawing

Still life

Flower study

Organic forms

Coat of arms

Motto

Close up view

Close up of ...

Birds-eye view of ...

Aerial photograph

Aerial view

Annotated

Surreal

Imaginative

Imaginary

Fantastical

Souvenir card
Magazine illustration
Book illustration
Calendar illustration
Broadsheet illustration
Title page
Frontispiece
Bookplate
Book-plate
Dust jacket
Advertisement
Alphabet book
Vignette
Poster
Fresco
Plaster cast
Drawing
Sketch
Study
Calligraphy
Montage

To be completed

2.0 Architecture, Buildings and Towns

2.1 General architectural terms

Architecture
Modern architecture
Building
Vernacular
Neo-classical
Gothic
City
Town
Distant town
Village

2.2 General buildings and details

Cottage
Thatched cottage
Thatched house
Two storey building [etc.]
Three storey house [etc.]
House
Terraced houses
Toll house

Flats
Maisonette
Villa
Chalet

Country house
Mansion
Château
Palace

Demesne
Garden
Kitchen garden
Walled garden

Fence
Plaster
Concrete
Brick
Wall
Brick wall
Stone wall
Concrete wall
White-washed wall
Estate wall
Half timbered

Medieval buildings
Medieval barn
Barn
Tithe barn

Farm
Farmhouse
Farm building
Oast house
Windmill
Pigeon house
Dovecote
Aviary
Shed
Cabin
Outbuilding
Garage
Hut
Shelter
Lean-to
Greenhouse
Yard
Courtyard

Drainpipe
Eaves
Gutter
Ceiling
Roof
Tiled roof
Gable roof
Gable end
Rooftops
Chimney
Chimney stack

Door
Open door
Doorway
Porch
Railings
Dilapidated ...
Facade
Exterior
Pediment
Pillar
Plinth
Impost

Parapet
Balcony
Veranda
Gallery
Colonnade
Arcade
Portico

Steps
Flight of steps
Balustrade
Stairwell
Fountain
Square
Piazza
Campanile
Traghetto
Tiled roof

Market
Market stall
Shop
Cinema
Theatre

Hotel
Hospital
School
Train station
Platform
Airport
Circus
Circus ring
Bull ring
Fairground
Carousel
Public house
Library
Museum
Civic building
Town hall
Mausoleum
War memorial
Obelisk
Sculpture
Monument
Clock tower
Bell tower
Belfry

2.3 Religious buildings (details and types of)

Church
Cathedral
Chapel
Priory
Abbey
Monastery
Convent
Mosque
Minaret
Temple
Folly
Shrine
Church tower
Spire
Church spire
Weather vane

Cemetery
Graveyard
Gravestone
Grave stone
Tomb

Aisle
Pew
Altar
Font
Choir stall
Cross
Crucifix
Pulpit
Vaulting
Vaulted ceiling
Nave
Transept
Niche
Cloister
Crypt
Dome
Cupola
Buttress
Flying buttress
Gothic
Gargoyle
Finial
Cusp
Boss
Cornice
Pinnacle
Tracery

2.4 Castle-like buildings and details

Castle
Castle ruin
Hilltop castle
Hill top castle
Hill top town
Fort
Prison
Asylum
Workhouse
Castellated parapet
Castellated wall
Castle wall
Tower
Round tower
Sentry tower
Clock tower
Bell tower
Belfry
Keep
Turret
Gateway

Portcullis
Slit window

2.5 Types of window

Window
Arch window
Arched window
Dormer window
Oriel window
Bay window
Shuttered window
Leaded window
Grilled window
Louvered window
Slit window
Sash window
Shop window
Open window
Glass
Glazed
Leaded glass
Window box

2.6 Classical / ancient buildings and details (including columns)

Column
Classical column
Ionic column
Doric column
Corinthian column
Fluted column
Unfluted column
Pilaster column
Pillar
Impost
Capital
Corinthian capital
Fallen column
Fallen capital
Volute

Round Tower
Tower of Babel
Pyramid
Sphinx
Baths
Amphitheatre
Colosseum
Roman wall

Arch
Roman arch
Classical arch
Coffered
Coffering
Frieze
Entablature
Tablet
Hieroglyph
Relief
Relief carvings

Stone circle
Circle of stones
Standing stone
Beehive hut

2.7 Bridges

Bridge
Timber bridge
Wooden bridge
Classical bridge
Arched bridge
Stone bridge
Canal bridge
Footbridge
Aqueduct

2.8 Industrial buildings, environs and details

Colliery
Pit head
Winding gear
Lift cage
Engine house
Power house
Boiler house
Warehouse
Industrial chimney
Smoking industrial chimney
Factory
Furnace
Lime kiln
Pottery kiln
Mill
Waterwheel
Sluice
Terraced houses
Slag heap
Rubble

Wasteland

2.9 Thoroughfares and street furniture

Road

Country road

Mountain road

Mountain pass

Lane

Country lane

Motorway

Track

Path

Street

City street

Passage

Alley-way

Alleyway

Subway

Pavement

Tarmac

Cobbled

Kerb

Bollard

Gate

Wrought iron gate

Gateway

Gate post

Post

Lamp post

Signpost

Sign post

Road sign

Telegraph pole

Telegraph wire

Pylon

Satellite dish

Television aerial

Traffic light

Neon light

Floodlight

Sign

Signboard

Bill board

Hoarding

Advertisement

Notice

Funeral notice

Graffiti

Litter bin

Canopy
Bunting
Flag
Union Jack
Stars and Stripes
Washing line
Scaffolding
Crane

3.0 Maritime Subjects (boats, harbours, coast and sea)

3.1 Boats

Shipwreck
Boat
Rowing boat
Sailing boat
Fishing boat
Eel boat
Steam boat
Moored boat
Lifeboat
Ship
Sailing ship
Galleon
Man-o-war
Flotilla
Ferry
Yacht
Felucca
Gondola
Sloop
Barge
Coracle
Two-masted
Twin-masted
Sail
Wrapped sail
Rigging
Crows nest
Boom
Ships wheel
Cabin
Anchor

3.2 Harbours

Quay
Quayside

Harbour
Pier
Promenade
Traghetto
Lighthouse
Boardwalk
Wharf
Jetty
Sluice
Mooring post
Capstan
Winch
Hoist
Ladder
Buoy
Rope
Fishing net
Lobster pot
Barrel
Creel
Luggage
Trunk

3.3 Coast and sea

Sea
Heavy sea
Choppy sea
Calm sea
Sea horizon

Cliff
Cliff face
Cliff top
Sea cliff
Sea wall
Island
Lagoon
Saltpan

Sand bank
Beach
Pebble
Shoreline
Waves
Groyne

Whale
Shark
Dolphin
Fish

Seafish
Starfish
Jellyfish
Shell
Seashell
Scallop shell

Driftwood
Beachcombing

4.0 Transport (non-fluvial, including horses)

Aeroplane
Plane
Car
Parked car
Motor vehicle
Limousine
Traffic
Ambulance
Double-decker bus
Lorry

Bulldozer
Juggernaut
JCB
Tractor
Plough
Trailer
Combine harvester

Motorbike
Scooter
Bicycle
Tricycle

Pram
Wheelchair

Wagon
Covered wagon
Underground
Train
Steam engine
Coal wagon
Truck
Coal truck
Cart
Caravan

Gypsy caravan

Horse and cart

Chariot

Coach and horses

Horse and carriage

Horse drawn

Horse-drawn

On horseback

Saddle

Reins

Stirrup

Side-saddle

5.0 Landscapes / Rural Subjects

5.1 Areas within the picture

Foreground

Middleground

Background

Foreground, on the left, [etc.]

Foreground, on the right, [etc.]

Foreground, in the centre, [etc.]

Centre left

Centre right

Far right

Far left

Upper left

Upper right

Lower left

Lower right

Horizon

No horizon

Flat horizon

Sea horizon

Skyline

5.2 Sky and weather

Sky

Clear sky

Stormy sky

Showery

Rain

Puddle

Storm cloud

Cloud

Cloudy

Cumulus
Cumulonimbus
Stratos
Cirrus

Radiating light
Sun
Setting sun
Sunset
Sunrise
Sunshine
Sunlight
Sunlit
Dappled sunlight
Twilight

Frozen
Ice
Snow-covered
Wind-blown
Mist
Lightening
Rainbow

Moon
Crescent moon
Star
Shooting star

5.3 Vegetation - trees, plants and flowers

Tree
Tree stump
Tree trunk
Root
Branch
Sapling
Twig
Coniferous tree
Oak tree
Ash tree
Elm tree
Poplar tree
Pine tree
Fir tree
Yew tree
Cherry tree
Apple tree
Olive tree
Pollarded tree

Cypress tree
Palm tree
Lotus
Silver birch
Winter tree
Summer tree
Mature tree

Leaves
Autumn leaves
Foliage
Vine

Vineyard
Orchard
Grove
Grove of trees
Copse
Topiary
Forest
Jungle
Wood
Woodland
Wooded
Wooded hillside

Vegetation
Undergrowth
Overhanging
Overgrown
Overgrown ruins
Hedge
Hedgerow
Bush
Plant
Weeds
Grass
Lawn
Heather
Lavender
Fungi
Toadstool
Ivy
Fern
Bullrush
Rushes
Reeds
Thistle

Flower

Wild flower
Blossom
Poppy
Poppies
Daffodil
Narcissi
Tulip
Rose
Chrysanthemum
Amaryllis
Iris
Lily
Water lillies
Marigold
Cyclamen
Petunia
Japonica

5.4 Landscape features (non-fluvial) and rural furniture

Harvest
Haystack
Bail
Sheaf
Sheaves

Fence
Stake
Dry stone wall
Barbed wire
Stile

Field
Open field
Ploughed field
Tilled field
Arable field
Pasture field
Wheat field
Stubble field
Cornfield
Crops

Grassy bank
Hill
Rolling hills
Hillside
Hilltop
Hill top village
Hill skyline

Slag heap
Mountain
Rugged mountains
Mountain range
Mountain skyline
Plateau
Valley
Gorge
Headland
Promontory
Scarp

Soil
Earth
Rock
Boulder
Scree
Crevice
Rock face
Cliff
Cliff face
Cliff top
Cliff top
Rocky outcrop
Summit
Cave

Glacier
Snow capped
Snow-capped
Snow covered
Snow field

Stone circle
Circle of stones
Standing stone
Cromlech
Quarry
Chalk pit
Excavation
Desert
Sand dune

Open fire
Smoking fire
Firewood
Pyre
Funeral pyre
Plume of smoke

Ladder
Plank
Timber
Tub
Sack
Churn
Milk churn
Water butt

5.5 Landscape features (fluvial)

River
River bank
River plain
River valley
Meander
Waterfall
Stepped waterfall
Spring
Stream
Dyke
Lake
Pond
Canal
Canalside
Lock
Ford
Weir
Estuary

Sand bank
Beach
Pebble
Shoreline
Waves
Sea cliff
Sea wall
Island
Groyne
Lagoon
Saltpan

Dam
Sluice
Shadouf
Well
Water tower

6.0 Animals and birds – farmyard, wild, foreign and mythical

Dog
Sheepdog
Sheep dog
Hound
Greyhound
Cat
Tabby cat

Horse
Foal
Pony
Donkey
Mule
Ass
Cow
Calf
Cattle
Bull
Oxen
Sheep
Lamb
Pig
Piglet
Goat

Deer
Rabbit
Hare
Squirrel
Mouse
Wild boar
Badger
Fox

Frog
Toad
Tortoise
Snake

Spider
Cobweb
Butterfly
Butterflies
Moth
Snail
Bee

Scorpion

Monkey
Camel
Antelope
Elephant
Lion
Tiger
Leopard
Panther
Cheetah

Whale
Shark
Dolphin
Fish
Seafish
Starfish
Jellyfish
Shell
Seashell
Scallop shell

Serpent
Winged horse
Griffin
Phoenix
Unicorn
Golden Calf
Minotaur
Dragon
Troll
Monster
Giant

Bird
Chicken
Hen
Cockerel
Turkey
Guineafowl

Duck
Goose
Grebe
Swan
Heron
Bittern
Snipe
Godwit

Crake
Lapwing
Kingfisher
Cormorant

Grouse
Pheasant
Peacock
Ostrich

Raven
Crow
Magpie
Jackdaw
Jay
Cuckoo
Swallow
Skylark
Yellowhammer
Dove
Pigeon

Guillemot
Razorbill
Shearwater
Albatross
Seagull
Gull
Kittiwake

Eagle
Hawk
Falcon
Vulture
Owl

7.0 People – portraiture, professions, biblical and mythical characters

7.1 References to portraiture and figures

Portrait
Portrait of ...
Historical portrait
Self portrait
Animal portrait
Miniature portrait
Three-quarter portrait
Face-on portrait

Head and shoulder portrait
Head only portrait
Full figure portrait
Posed portrait
Studio portrait
Double portrait
Family portrait
Profile
Viewed in profile
Viewed side-on
Looks towards the viewer
Pose

Figure
Full figure
Full-length
Full length figure
Male figure
Female figure
Head
Bust
Torso
Body
Dead bodies
Corpse

Woman
Mother
Mother and child
Grand mother
Lady
Daughter
Girl

Man
Father
Grandfather
Gentleman
Son
Boy

Baby
Child
Children
Children playing

Lovers
Mourner
Youth
Young man

Young woman
Middle-aged man
Middle-aged woman
Old man
Old woman
Elderly man
Elderly woman

Nude male
Nude female
Semi-nude male
Semi-nude female
Female nude
Male nude
Reclining female nude
Reclining male nude
Seated female nude
Seated male nude
Standing male nude
Standing female nude

7.2 Actions and descriptions of people

Barefoot
Cross legged
Cross-legged
Bending over

Sits
Seated
Kneels
Kneeling

Stands
Standing
Walking

Lying
Supine
Reclined
Reclining

Her left hand [etc.]
His left leg [etc.]
Her left arm [etc.]

Outstretched
Folded arms
Akimbo
Arm akimbo

Fair-haired
Dark-haired
Auburn-haired
Blonde-haired
Bearded
Moustached
Grotesque

Gesticulate
Gesticulating
Points
Pointing
Forefinger
Heavenwards

Anguished
Despair
Killing

Contemplative
Pensive
Thoughtful

Embrace
Embracing
Kiss
Kissing
Weeping

Wear
Wearing
Robed

Converse
Conversing
Gossip

Ascending
Descending
Floating
Climbing

Reading
Dancing
Performing
Sleeping
Resting

7.3 Parts of the body

Hair

Long hair

Short hair

Cropped hair

Shoulder length hair

Shoulder-length hair

Curly hair

Dark hair

Fair hair

Wavy hair

Auburn hair

Blonde hair

Hairline

Receding hairline

Bald

Hairstyle

Bob hairstyle

Pig tail

Pig-tail

Pony tail

Head

Skull

Face

Forehead

Furrowed brow

Wrinkle

Nose

Large nose

Eye

Blue-eyed

Brown-eyed

Eyebrow

Ear

Temple

Cheek

Mouth

Lips

Teeth

Tongue

Chin

Jaw

Beard

Moustache

Sideburn

Skeleton

Skeletal

Neck

Torso
Chest
Breast
Heart
Bust
Stomach
Back
Shoulder
Bottom
Hips
Genitals
Penis
Arm
Upper arm
Forearm
Wrist
Hand
Finger
Palm
Thumb

Leg
Thigh
Knee
Foot
Ankle
Toe

7.4 Professions (non-religious)

Worker
Road worker
Railway worker
Steel worker
Iron worker
Blacksmith
Miner
Quarrymen

Shepherd
Shepherdess
Milkmaid
Milk maid
Farmer
Farm worker
Labourer
Agricultural worker
Harvester
Woodman
Bee keeper

Gardener
Grape picker
Olive picker
Cherry picker
Hop picker
Fruit picker

Water carrier
Beachcomber
Bather
Smuggler
Fisherman
Fishermen
Mariner
Sailor
Captain
Oarsman
Gondolier
Passenger
Boat builder
Shipbuilder

Builder
Bricklayer
Stonemason
Carpenter
Wheelwright
Fishmonger
Butcher
Slaughterman

Shopkeeper
Coster
Fruit seller
Grocer
Greengrocer
Merchant
Trader
Market trader
Stallholder
Draper
Tailor
Seamstress
Café worker
Waiter
Waitress

Washerwomen
Carer
Nurse

Patient
Surgeon
Doctor
Undertaker

Maid
Cleaner
Servant
Attendant

Hawker
Peasant
Pauper
Beggar
Tramp
Drunk

Gypsy
Traveller
Sightseer
Tourist
Spectator
Onlooker
Follower
Supporter
Well wisher
Audience
Congregation
Crowd
Mob

Matador
Clown
Tumbler
Acrobat
Magician
Jester
Actor
Actress
Performer
Dancer
Ballerina
Musician
Artist
Sculptor
Photographer

Student
School boy
Academic

Bandit
Prisoner
Protester
Policeman
Policemen
Warden
Beefeater
Burgher
Judge
Knight
Medieval knight
Archer
Cavalier
Soldier
Warrior
Fighter
Boxer
Wrestler
Army

Prostitute
Pedestrian
Cyclist
Airman

7.5 Characters – mythical, historical and in literature

Witch
King
Queen
Prince
Princess
Giant

Sibyl
Nymph
Goedia
Satyr
Bacchanal
Maenad

Bacchus
Marsyas
Ajax
Castor and Pollux
Apollo
Hercules
Neptune

Venus
Juno
Eros
Orpheus
Eurydice
Icarus
Judith
Holfernes
Perseus
Medusa
Jupiter
Mercury
Alpheus
Arethusa

Pharaoh
Isis
Virgil
Ceasar
Cleopatra
Arthurian
Parzival
Gawan
Bragi

Gretchen
Tom Sawyer
Don Quixote

Dante
Shakespeare
Shakespearean
Henry VI
Hamlet
Merchant of Venice
Bardolph
Shylock
Ophelia
York
Gannymede
Lady Hamilton
Orleans [Dukes of]
Benjamin Disraeli
Prince Charles

7.6 Sitters in portraits

Saint Ignatius Loyola (1491-1556)
Erasmus Rotterdamus (1476-1536)
Dr Leonard Fuchs (1501 -1566)
William Harvey

Sir Phillip Herbert (1584-1649/50)
Ferdinando Alvares
Louis Emanuel de Valois
Agatha Castillionea
Mona Lisa
Lucas Vorsterman the Elder (1595-1675)

Georg Frideric Handel (1685-1759)
Charles Simon Favart (1710-1792)
James Beattie (1735-1803)
Francisco de Goya (1746-1828)
William Blake
Aloys Senefelder (1771-1834)
Professor Carey

Philip II, Duke of Orleans (1674-1723)
Louis-Philippe de Bourbon, Duke of Orleans (1747-1793)
Napoleon Bonaparte (1769-1821)
Louis-Charles-Philippe of Orleans, the Duke of Nemours, (1814-1896)
François-Ferdinand-Philippe of Orleans, the Prince of Joinville, (1818-1900)
Henri-Eugène-Philippe of Orleans, the Duke of Aumale, (1822-1897)

Hywel Dda (Hywel the Good)
Owain Glyndwr
'Iolo Morganwg'/ Edward Williams (1747-1826)
Evan Evans (Ieuan Glan Geirionydd) (1795-1855)
Reverend Dr William Rees (Gwilym Hiraethog) (1802-1883)
Mary Owen (née Jones) (1780-1862)
John Williams (1823-1887) of Caernarfon
Archdeacon John Griffith of Llandaff (1820-1897)
Lord Aberdare (1815-1895)
Stephen Evans Esq. J. P. (1818-1905)
Thomas Charles Edwards (1837-1900)
Lord Rendel of Hatchlands (1834-1913)
Sir Lewis Morris (1833-1907)
Arthur Charles Humphries Owen M. P. (1836-1905)
Thomas Edward Ellis MP (1859-1899)
Colonel Powell
Dr. / Principal Thomas Francis Roberts (1860-1919)
T.F.Robert's father
T.F.Robert's mother
Joseph Parry
Benjamin Evans (1876-1958)
Sir Ellis Jones Griffiths K.C.
Sir D. Owen Evans MP
Lady Owen Evans
Miss Carpenter

E.A. Fewings
Dr. Thomas Parry / Sir Thomas Parry
Sir David Hughes Parry
Sir Goronwy Daniel (1914-2003)
Sir Ben Bowen Thomas
Professor Gwyn A. Williams
Dr Gareth Owen
Kenneth O. Morgan
Lord Cledwyn of Penrhos
Carwyn James

Nikolay Gogol (1809-1852)
Longfellow
Robert Schumann (1810-1856)
Richard Wagner (1813-1883)
Clara Vaughan Morgan
Ruth Herbert
Christina Rossetti (1830-1894)
Duncan M. MacDonald
Charles McEvoy

Elisabeth Stopp (1911-1996)
Stan Laurel
Marcel Marceau
Audrey Hepburn (1929-1993)
Vivien Leigh (1913-1967)
Beryl Johnston
Mick Jagger b.1943

Lucas Vorsterman the Elder (1595-1675)
Francisco de Goya (1746-1828)
William Blake
Aloys Senefelder (1771-1834)
John Pollard Seddon
Sir Hugh Casson
Gwen John (1876-1939)
Naum Gabo
Ursula Tyrwhitt (1876-1966)
Giorgio de Chirico (1888-1978)
Henry Ospovat
Fred Richards (1878-1932)
Filippo De Pisis (1896-1956)
William Wilson
George Chapman (1908-1993)
Sir Kyffin Williams (1918-2006)
Federico Vender (1901-1998)
John Elwyn (1916-1997)
Eric Malthouse (1914-1997)
L.R. Scott-Nesbitt

Self Portrait
[Tommaso Minardi]
[William Strang]
[Augustus Edwin John]
[James McBey]
[Edward Bouverie-Hoyton]
[William Evan Charles Morgan]
[Edgar Holloway]
[Evelyn May Gibbs]
[Gertrude Hermes]
[Evan John Walters]
[John Elwyn]
[John Vivian Roberts]
[Rigby Graham]

Dwight D Eisenhower
General De Gaulle
H.R.H. Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester (1901-2004)
Prince Charles

Bibi Valentin
Ida John
Stephen Granger
Walter Boswell
Mr Underwood
Elizabeth Tobler
Effie Pearce
Pepita
Almina
Phémie
Daisy Monica Hawkins
Jack Flower
Monica Odabasi
Dennis William Reed / Dennis Reed
Harold Cliffe
Dewi S. Davies
Rees Rees
Leslie Norris

7.7 Religious / Biblical subjects and characters (including religious professions)

Biblical figure
Prophet
Apostle
Saint
St
Jesus Christ
Christ
God

Satan
Devil

Madonna
Madonna and child
Virgin and child
Virgin Mary
Christ Child
Holy Family

Cherub
Putti
Putto
Angel
Cupid

Pope
Bishop
Archdeacon
Cardinal
Reverend
Minister
Preacher
Druid
Monk
Nun

Clerical figures
Congregation
Worshipper
Mourner
Pilgrim
Follower
Martyr

Adam
Eve
Adam and Eve
Moses
Daniel
Solomon
Ezekiel
Isaiah
Judas
Elijah
Pontius Pilate
King David
Woman of Samaria
Noah's Ark
St Peter

St Paul
St John
Saint Simon
St George
St Mark
St Stephen
St Mary
St Agnes
St Catherine

Aeneas Silvius
Ignatius Loyola

Flight into Egypt
Adoration
Adoration of the Shepherds
Nativity
Ascension
Sermon on the Mount
Transfiguration
Resurrection
Last Supper
Supper at Emmaus
Assumption
Expulsion
Apocalypse
Christ healing ...[Palsy]

Heaven
Baptism
Blessing
Prayer
Kneeling in prayer
Death
Funeral
Funeral procession
Holy Trinity

Coffin
Crucifixion
Crucifix
Cross
Ankh
Chalice
Censer
Candle
Candlestick
Bible
Open bible
Halo

Mitre

8.0 Costume and accessories - historical and modern

8.1 Costume and general

Costume
Clothes
Clothing
Ragged clothes
Tassel
Ribbon
Uniform
Military uniform
Historical costume
Traditional costume
Greek costume
Renaissance costume
Welsh costume

8.2 Headgear

Hat
Wide-brimmed hat
Broad rimmed hat
Broad-rimmed hat
Three cornered hat
Top hat
Bowler hat
Coif hat
Peaked hat
Straw hat
Summer hat
Boater hat
Plumed hat

Woolly hat
Balaclava
Beret
Cap
Flat cap
Bonnet
Hood
Hooded
Headscarf
Headscarves
Hair band

Helmet

Plumed helmet
Busby

Sombrero
Turban
Kaftan

Crown
Mitre
Cardinal hat
Halo
Mortar board
Wig
Laurel
Veil

8.3 Neckwear

Collar
Winged collar
Lapel
Polo-neck
Ruff
Neckerchief
Neck-tie
Scarf
Cravat
Tie
Bow-tie
Bow tie
Handkerchief

8.4 Torso wear

Gloves
Gauntlet
Muff

Vest
Shirt
Button
Buttoned
Buttoned shirt
Collarless shirt
Long sleeved
Short sleeved
Rolled up sleeve
Cuff
Blouse
Top
T-shirt

Pullover
Jumper
Cardigan
Waistcoat
Sweater

Habit
Cassock
Cape
Cloak
Fur lined
Fur-lined
Shawl
Apron
Tabard
Robe
Robed
Hooded robe
Hooded cloak
Suit
Jacket
Leather jacket
Denim jacket
Zip-fronted jacket
Zip-up jacket
Coat
Long-tailed coat
Overcoat
Tunic
Toga
Lionskin

Dress
Gown
Ball gown
Dressing gown
Academic gown

Night gown
Nightdress
Nightie
Pyjamas

Skirt
Bouffant skirt
Pleated skirt
Long skirt
Short skirt
Tutu

Petticoat
Corset
Bra
Belt
Sash
Cummerbund
Pants
Underpants
Long-johns
Cod-piece
Fig leaves

Trousers
Corduroy trousers
Jeans
Shorts

8.5 Footwear

Shoes
Buckled shoes
High heel shoes
Slip-on shoes
Trainers
Boots
Slippers
Sandal
Clogs
Wellington
Flip-flops

Hose
Nether hose
Tights
Sock
Waders

8.6 Non-Western clothing

Loin cloth
Garment
Tunic
Dhoti
Kurta shirt
Veil
Kimono
Obiage
Wrap
Kaftan
Turban

8.7 Patterns

Check
Chequered
Embroidered
Knitted
Crocheted
Floral design
Tartan
Tweed
Striped
Fleur-de-lys
Zig-zag
Spotted
Tortoiseshell

8.8 Jewellery and accessories

Jewellery
Jewellery box
Ear-ring
Pearls
Necklace
Medallion
Rosary beads
Brooch
Ring
Bracelet
Bangle
Chain
Wrist watch

Lipstick
Make-up
Tattoo

Spectacles
Goggles
Mask
Gas mask
Fan
Shackle
Tether
Handcuff

8.9 Knights and soldiers (including weapons)

Armour
Armour plating
Armoured tunic
Gauntlet
Chainmail
Chain mail
Spurs

Shield
Lance
Spear
Axe
Halberd
Club
Gun powder
Musket
Gun
Shotgun
Rifle
Pistol
Dagger
Arrow
Bow and arrow
Sword
Sheath
Scabbard
Guillotine

9.0 General hand-held objects, food and musical instruments

9.1 General hand-held objects

Staff
Crook
Stick
Umbrella
Parasol
Parasole

Knapsack
Rucksack
Bundle
Holdall
Luggage
Bag
Handbag
Shopping bag
Plastic bag
Basket
Flower basket
Shopping basket
Briefcase
Suitcase

Cigarette

Pipe
Smoking a pipe
Snuff box

Playing cards
Dice
Book
Open book
Scroll
Unfurled scroll

Quill
Pen quill
Pen
Etching needle
Paperweight
Scissors
Coins

Tankard
Goblet
Glass
Drinking Horn
Chalice
Cup
Cup and saucer
Bottle
Water bottle
Drinking bottle
Ewer

Earthenware
Plate
Bowl
Saucepan
Kettle
Knife
Spoon
Fork

Rake
Spade
Pickaxe
Scythe
Wheelbarrow

Mop
Brush
Sweep
Bucket

9.2 Food

Vegetable

Potato

Cabbage

Turnip

Parsnip

Asparagus

Tomato

Mushroom

Fruit

Grape

Apple

Pear

Melon

Banana

Egg

Bread

Sandwich

Cake

Meat

Sausage

9.3 Musical instruments and accessories

Musical instrument

Pipe

Pipes

Bagpipes

Syrinx

Clarinet

Flute

Saxophone

Horn

Trumpet

Euphonium

Violin

Cello

Double bass

Guitar

Lute

Lyre

Harp

Drum

Cymbal

Tambourine

Piano

Grand piano
Organ
Pipe organ
Barrel organ
Accordian
Keyboard

Music score
Metronome
Chorister
Choir
Military band

10.0 Interiors

10.1 On walls and windows

Curtain
Drape
Drapery
Stage scenery
Netting
Venetian blind
Panelling
Wallpaper

10.2 Furniture and flooring

Carpet
Rug
Parquet
Tiled floor
Stone floor

Chair
Carver chair
Carved chair
Plastic chair
Metal-framed chair
Armchair
Deckchair
Deck chair
Stool
Piano stool
Foot stool
Pew
Throne
Settee
Cushion
Kneeler

Upholstered
Upholstery

Table
Side table
Cafe table
Ornamental table
Dressing table
Desk
Bench
Dais

Cabinet
Cupboard
Dresser
Bookshelves

Stove
Fire
Open fire
Fireplace
Mantle
Grate

Sink
Washstand
Bath
Shower
Toilet

Bed
Four poster bed
Bunk bed
Hospital bed
Mattress
Bedstead
Blanket
Sheet

10.3 Lighting

Lamp
Oil lamp
Davy lamp
Lamp stand
Lantern
Light bulb
Lighting
Chandelier
Candle
Lit candle

Candlestick
Candelabra
Torch [historical]
Burning torch

10.4 Objects, ornaments etc.

Clock
Mirror
Scales
Ornament
Antiquities
Globe
Vase
Urn
Flowers
Tablecloth
Table cloth

11.0 Places - countries, cities, rivers, towns and well known buildings

11.1 Wales

Wales
South Wales
North Wales
Mid Wales

Ceredigion
Cardiganshire
Aberystwyth
Clarach
Borth
Ynyslas
Aberdovey
Dovey estuary
Machynlleth
Tregaron
Devil's Bridge
River Rheidol
River Rhydol
Cwmrheidol
Trisant
Hafod
Cwmystwyth
Aberarth
Pennant

Blaenpennal
Rhyd Lewis

Dyfed
Carmarthen
Carreg Cennan
Pembrokeshire
Pembroke
Skomer Island
Porthgain
Haverfordwest
Castlemartin
Manorbier
Laugharne estuary
Abercywyn
Kidwelly
Dinefwr
Dryslwyn

Swansea
Swansea valleys
Neath
Gower

Cardiff
River Taff
Newport

Ystradgynlais
Merthyr
Cyfartha
Dowlais
Penrhiwceiber
Pontypridd
Rhondda
Porth
Wattstown
Treorchy

Pentre
Ton Pentre
Trehafod
Treherbert
Maerdy

River Severn
River Wye
Wye estuary
Chepstow
Tintern Abbey

Abergavenny
Capel-y-ffin

Cadair Idris
Dolgellau
Corris
Snowdon
Snowdonia
Aberglaslyn Pass
Llanberis Pass
Gwastadnant
Blaenau Ffestiniog
Betws-y-coed
Harlech
Caernarfon
Bardsey Island
Anglesey
Menai Straits
Conway
Bala
Clwyd
Llangollen
Erbistock

11.2 Scotland

Edinburgh
Edinburgh Castle
Glasgow
Aberdeenshire
Isle of Skye

11.3 Ireland

Ireland
Northern Ireland
Connemara
Aran Isles
Achill Island
Leinster
Dunamase Castle
Ennis
Kerry
Wicklow

11.4 London

London
London Bridge
River Thames
Tower of London
Westminster Abbey
Westminster Bridge

St Jame's Palace
Mansion House
Piccadilly Circus
National Gallery
Hyde Park
Chelsea
Millbank
Rotherhithe
Lords
Wandsworth
Baker Street
Greenwich
Hampstead
Harrow

11.5 England

Kent
Whitstable
Margate
Ramsgate
Cudham
Dover
Sussex
Arundel
Rye Harbour
Shoreham
Brighton
Boxgrove
Winchester
Salisbury
Stonehenge
Avebury
Oxford
Widford
Windsor
Eastcote
Eton College
New Forest
Isle of Wight
Dorset
Lulworth
Devon
Plymouth
Beer
Seatown
Lynmouth
Cornwall
St Ives
St Michael's Mount
Boscastle

Newlyn
Isles of Scilly
Tresco

Bristol
Avon
Gloucester
Wotton-under-Edge
Worcester
Hereford
Shropshire
Ludlow
Birmingham
Dudley
Caponfield
Derbyshire
Leicestershire
Leicester
Kings Norton
Great Stretton
Gaulby
Aylestone
Coalville
Markfield
Breedon on the Hill
Rutland
Rutland Water
Uppingham School
Rugby School

Liverpool
Lake District
Yorkshire
Richmond
Barnard Castle
River Tees
Dales
Hutton-le-Hole
Durham
Durham Cathedral
Northumbria
Holy Island
Whitby
Staithes
Scarborough

Lincoln
Lincoln Cathedral
Kings Lynn
Ely

River Ouse
East Anglia
Norfolk
Norfolk Broads
Suffolk
Aldeburgh
Walberswick
Essex

11.6 Italy

Italy
Sicily
Sardinia

Alba
Anticoli
Cormons
Grado
Pordenone
Cimolais
Scanno
Abruzzi
Gerona
Spoleto
Chioggia
Gorizia
Matera
Puglia
Ostuni
Marano
Pinzano
Caorle
Povolaro
Padova
Subiaco
Perugia
Lombardia
Meduna
Carnia
Remanzacco
Saracenesco
Brachiano

Siena
Assisi
Orvieto
Milan
Naples
Amalfi

Vesuvius

Florence
Ponte Vecchio
River Arno
Fiesole

Venice
Giudecca
Lido
Grand Canal
Rialto
Doges Palace
Palazzo Contarini Fasan
St Mark's Square
St Mark's Cathedral
Santa Maria della Salute
San Giorgio Maggiore
Zattere

Rome
Vatican
Colosseum
Forum
Pantheon
Arch of Janus
Arch of Titus
Temple of Antoninus and Faustina
Temple of Castor and Pollux
Baths of Diocletian
Caelian Hill
Piazza Navona
River Tiber

11.7 France

France
Paris
Notre Dame
River Seine
Normandy
Honfleur
Etretat
Bayeux
Caen
Mont St Michel
Vire
Falaise
Calais
Rouen
Brittany

Dinan
Troyes
Beauvais
Arles
Chartres
Loire
Ypres
Saverne
Provence
Vaucluse
Nice
St Tropez
Avignon
Lourdes
Monte Carlo

11.8 Rest of Europe

Belgium
Bruges
Vlaanderen
Netherlands
Amsterdam
Lake Geneva
Berlin
Dresden
Poland
Warsaw
Hungary
Budapest
Bosnia
Yugoslavia
Norway
Finland
Iceland
Greenland
Moscow
Red Square

Mediterranean
Spain
Madrid
Barcelona
Toledo
Granada
Ronda
Gibraltar
Gozo
Ibiza
Mallorca
Crete

Cyprus
Lesbos

11.9 Middle East and Asia

Middle East

Turkey

Istanbul

Israel

Jerusalem

Bethlehem

Syria

Palmyra

Middle East

Iran

Persia

Shiraz

China

Peking

Xian

Xián

Nepal

Kathmandu

Tibet

Lhasa

India

Taj Mahal

Benares

Peshawer

Jaipur

Cashmere

Thailand

Bangkok

Japan

Osaka

Tokyo

11.91 Africa

Africa

Uganda

Kampala

Kenya

Tanzania

South Africa

Algeria

Algiers

Morocco

Egypt

Cairo

River Nile
Pyramid
Giza
Sphinx
Luxor
Karnak
Thebes
Abu Simbel
Colossi of Memnon
Medinet Habout
Temple of Hathor

11.92 North and South America

Brasilia Cathedral
Peru
Cuzco
Bolivia
Caribbean
Trinidad
Port of Spain

America
Vermont
Iowa
West Virginia
South Carolina
Atlanta
Alabama
New Orleans
Alaska

12.0 Miscellaneous terms - condition, technique, etc.

12.1 Condition

Damaged
Poor condition
Torn
Crack
Craquelure
Peeling paint
Paint loss
Varnished
Scratched

Warped
Cockled
Buckled

Slack
Foxing
Some foxing
Heavy foxing
Faded
Badly faded
Mount staining
Stain
Waterstaining
Dirty
Splash
Crease
Vertical crease
Horizontal crease
Pitted
Pitting
Hole
Worm holes
Perforated margin
Registration hole

Paper cut to plate mark
Cut to border
Cut to block

Frame
Damaged frame
Chipped frame

12.2 Technique and style

Sketchy
Unfinished
Unworked
Sky left unworked

Drawn
Drawn in outline
Drawing
Line drawing
Tonal drawing
Part-tonal drawing
Chiaroscuro
Dark background
Underdrawing
Gradated
Tinted
Foreshortened

Mark
Varied marks

Splash marks
Fingerprint
In fine detail
In very fine detail
Hatching
Cross hatching
Soft hatching
Shaded areas
Irregular line
Vigorous line
Tentative line
Economic line

Highlight
White highlight
Scratched highlight
Erased highlight

Erased
Pencil underdrawing
Broad-nibbed pen
Pen and ink
Brush and ink

Fresco
Trompe-l'oeil
Impasto
Palette knife
Broad brushstrokes
Brushwork
Flat areas
Wash
Wash for tone
Run together
Imitates ink line and wash
Body colour
Process white
Opaque
Solid tone
Smudging
Modelling
Flourish
Subdued colour
Earth colours
Blocks of colour

Expressive
Impressionist
Squarist
Cubist

Collage
Naive

Border
Plate mark
Block mark
False plate mark
Embossing

Dust-ground aquatint
Spirit-ground aquatint
No etched lines
Soft ground
Muslin
Hessian
Texture
Textured fabric

Surface tone
Wiping
...on the plate before printing
Retroussage
Burr
Heavy burr
Rich burr
Deeply bitten
Over-bitten
Additional drypoint
Foul-biting
Stipple
Scraping
Roulette
Burin
Rocker
Burnished
Burnishing
Burnished highlight
Stopping out
Re-etching
Re-etching after initial biting
Spit biting

Plate has been cancelled
Steel engraving
Engraved title
Ruling machine
Dot-and-lozenge
Line engraving
Lines of varied width
Varied lines

Parallel lines
Curvilinear lines

Reduction
Vertical grain
Horizontal grain
Japanese monogram
White line engraving
Fine graver
Broad graver

Lithographic crayon
Chalk style lithograph
Transfer lithograph
Tusche
Toner
Splatter
Carborundum

Reproduction
Half tone
Coarse half tone
Photographic
Photographically reproduced
Hand coloured

Black and white image
Black and white image with a range of tones
High contrast
Very high contrast
Dodging
Burning
Toned
Solarized

Touching up
Soft focus
Long exposure
Large format

12.3 Miscellaneous

Text on image
Paper has the watermark
Paper has an unidentified watermark
Printed in ...
Colours overlap to create additional colours
On the reverse

Terms for Ceramics

13.0 Types of ceramic object

Bottle
Pilgrim bottle
Vinegar bottle
Saki bottle

Pot
Pod pot
Drug-pot
Drug pot
Whistling pot

Pod
Vase
Baluster vase
Urn

Jar
Storage jar
Ginger jar
Jester jar
Apothecary jar
Bell jar
Cider jar

Tumbler
Sugar basin
Jug
Flower jug
Pitcher
Bowl

Punch bowl
Tea bowl
Teabowl
Dog's bowl

Dish
Baking dish
Serving dish
Casserole dish
Pie dish
Tureen

Platter
Ham pan
Bread crock
Plate
Dinner plate
Side plate
Serving plate
Pie plate

Caddy
Box
Money box
Vessel

Mug
Cup
Cup and saucer
Soup cup and saucer
Saucer
Pebble cup
Libation cup
Communion cup
Goblet
Coffee service
Teapot
Tea caddy
Cow creamer

Serviette holder
Censer
Incense burner

Plaque
Wall plaque
Tile
Panel

Sculpture
Sculptural form
Figurative sculpture
Form
Model
Slab
Ceramic piece
Figure
Figurine
Figure group

Spoon
Scoop

Stopper
Saki wine set
Watering can
Watering pot
Cutlery drainer
Cruet set
Ashtray
Tray
Bookends
Candelabra
Candlestick
Oil lamp
Flask

14.0 Parts of ceramic objects

Feet
Foot
Base

Neck
Shoulder
Funnel
Mouth

Handle
Lug
Lid
Stopper
Knob
Spout
Finial

Rim
Lip
Ridge
Edge
Side
Exterior
Interior

Wall
Detail
Body
Stem
Waist
Rib
Belly

15.0 Glazes and techniques for ceramic objects

Unglazed
Glazed
Underglaze
Clear glaze
Transparent glaze

Salt-glaze
Saltglazed
Saltglaze
Crystalline glaze
Soda/salt glazed

Celadon glaze
Tenmoku glaze
Chun glaze
Chun-type glaze
Shino glaze
Tessha glaze

Ash glaze
Orange peel [glaze]
Tea-dust glaze
Crackle glaze
Speckle glaze

Titanium glaze
Zirconium glaze
Iron oxide glaze
Oxide
Tin-glaze
Tin glaze
Lead glaze
Galena glaze
En-glaze enamel

Reduction fired
Sawdust fired
Raku fired

Clay
Coloured clay
Thrown
Hand built
Hand-built
Handbuilt

Coil built
Slab built
Press-moulded
Moulded
Slip cast
Slip trailed
Slip decorated
Slip decoration
Trailed decoration

Sgraffito
Incised
Impressed
Sprigged

Stencil
Decal collage
Decoration
Majolica decoration

16.0 Descriptive terms for ceramic objects

Small
Large
Shallow
Deep
Flat
Tall

Shaped
Symmetrical
Asymmetrical
Irregular
Horizontal
Vertical

Rounded
Circular
Globular
Ovoid
Cylindrical
Gourd
Conical

Triangular
Square
Rectangular
Octagonal
Columnar

Faceted
Baluster
Fluted

Wide shouldered
High shouldered
Straight sided
Narrow-necked
Full bellied
Flared
Concave

Squashed
Flattened
Folded
Undulated
Pulled
Recessed
Inturned
Inverted
Pinched
Tilted
Convolute

Constructed
Sculptural
Modular
Modelled
Sprigged

Footed
Lidded
Covered
Horned
Winged

Colloidal
Ribbed
Banding
Ridged
Everted
Collared
Wavy
Filly
Coarse

Decoration
Decorated

Sgraffito

Sgraffito
Scratched
Burnished
Incised
Serrated
Scored
Carved
Pierced

Impressed
Moulded
Moulding
Stamped
Embossed
Stenciled

Frosted
Breakthrough
Metallic
Lustre
Shiny
Lustrous
Transparent
Translucent

Striped
Dipped
Mottled
Speckled
Striated
Pitted
Speckled
Flame marking
Marbling
Criss cross
Zig zag
Dotted zig zag
Drip mark
Curlique

Painted
Brushed
Sponged
Smudging
Caligraphic
Grogged
Multi-coloured

Expressive
Textured

Aggregate
Fragmented
Fissured

Cracked
Chipped
Repaired

Terms for other objects (worldcraft, weapons, glass, baskets, textiles, oriental)

17.0 Type of object

Implement
Javelin
Sabre
Sword
Dagger
Adze
Knife
Axe
Spear
Spear arrow
Club
Boomerang

Walking stick
Stool
Pipe
Horn
Paddle
Headrest
Rolling pin
Spoon

Basket
Shopping basket
Basket jar
Basket cap
Disc plaque
Bag
Mat

Dish
Bowl
Incense holder

Bottle
Jug
Vase
Flask
Pilgrim Flask
Gimmel flask

Wallpaper
Wallpaper sample
Embroidered picture

Abacus
Mask
Bracelet
Sound box
Xylophone
Musical Instrument

Carving
Deity
Shiva
Ganesh
Buddha
Totem
Totem-like
Duck

18.0 Parts of Object

Shaft
Handle
Handgrip
Handlegrip
Tip
Flight
Blade
Spur
Leg
Mouthpiece
Sheath
Scabbard
Strap
Rim
Tassel
Collar
Pedestal
Stem
Lid
Stopper

Fastener
Clasp

19.0 Miscellaneous Terms – techniques and patterns

Incised
Pierced
Chip-carved
Gouged
Carved
Engraved
Chamfered
Tapered

Knotted
Braided
Plaited
Twined
Weaving
Slewing
Randing

Feathered
Studded
Herringbone
Geometric
Scalloped
Linear
Criss-cross
Spiralled
Pointed
Painted
Pegged
Pyrographic
Rootstock

Blown
Lacquer
Frosted
Air twist

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20.0 Professions of Artist/Makers

Painter
Printmaker
Ceramicist
Sculptor
Cartoonist
Caricaturist
Designer
Draughtsman
Photographer
Illustrator
Writer
Philosopher
Portraitist (generally not used at the beginning but the word should be included in the biography somewhere)
Miniaturist
Engraver (used for historical artists rather than modern engravers)
Etcher (rarely used, printmaker preferred)
Poet
Glass designer
Book designer
Topographical artist
Marine artist
Graphic artist
Traveller
Engineer
Explorer
Medalist
Goldsmith
Art critic
Gardener
Performance artist
Calligrapher
Environmental designer
Stained glass designer
Theatre designer

Art historian
Architect
Architectural illustrator
Musician
Composer
Film maker
Film-maker
Antiquarian
Stage designer
Curator
Furniture designer and maker
Archaeologist

Terms used in 'MediumMaterial'

21.0 Prints

A typical entry would be 'etching in black on white laid paper'. If more than one colour is used then it would be 'colour etching on white laid paper'. Hence, below, there are colour options to many of the mediums. When a colour option is used then no actual colours are mentioned in the MediumMaterial description. If an actual colour is mentioned for the print in the MediumMaterial description it is because it is the only colour in the print. Combinations from the list below are frequently made using 'with' as a joining term, for example, 'etching with drypoint in black on white laid paper', 'etching with drypoint and aquatint in black on white laid paper'. In these cases the most prevalent medium used is listed first so an aquatint with 5 etched lines would be 'aquatint with etching' but an etching with a small area of aquatint would be 'etching with aquatint'. The Keeper of Art in the Acquisitions Lists uses 'and' instead of 'with' as a joining term which may be preferable but 'with' is exclusively used in the database to date.

For framed works the following format is used
'Watercolour on white wove paper, framed'

Aquatint
Colour aquatint
Sugarlift aquatint (term 'sugarlift' is generally only used in Description when describing the technique)

Etching (unless otherwise stated an etching is presumed to be a hard ground etching)
Colour etching
Soft ground etching
Stipple etching
Photo-etching

Engraving
Steel engraving
Colour engraving
Stipple engraving

Drypoint

Mezzotint
Colour mezzotint

Wood engraving
Colour wood engraving
Chromoxylograph

Linocut
Colour linocut
Corkcut

Woodcut
Colour woodcut
Block print
Wood block
Colour wood block
Line block
Colour line block

Collotype
Collograph
Monoprint
Monotype
Colour monoprint

Screenprint
Colour screenprint
Half tone screenprint
Half tone colour screenprint

Lithograph
Colour lithograph
Colour lithograph (chromolithograph)
Half tone lithograph
Colour half tone lithograph
Offset lithograph
Offset colour lithograph
Offset half tone lithograph
Transfer lithograph
Colour transfer lithograph
Half tone reproduction

Letterpress

Colour letterpress
Half tone letterpress
Diffusion transfer (copy proof)

Gravure
Photogravure
Colour Photogravure

Photocopy
Colour photocopy
Xerox

Electrotype
Embossing
Pyrograph
Stencil print

Hand colour (used in the format 'Etching in black, with hand colour, on white laid paper' or 'Etching in black, with hand colour in gouache, on white laid paper')
Hand coloured

22.0 Oil Paintings

Oil
Oil Pastel
Collage
Emulsion
Mixed Media
Alkyd
Acrylic

23.0 Watercolour Drawings (non-printed works on paper)

Ink
Ink wash
Sepia ink
Sepia ink wash
Sepia wash
Coloured ink

Pencil
Colour pencil
Sanguine pencil
Graphite
Graphite pencil

Charcoal
Crayon
Conté crayon
Wax crayon

Pen
Pen and ink (really only used as a technique in Description)
Ballpoint pen
Ballpoint ink

Pastel
Oil Pastel
Oil crayon

Chalk
Red chalk
Black chalk
Sanguine chalk
Coloured chalks

Gouache
Process white
Watercolour
Oil
Acrylic
Tempera

Mixed media
Collage
Gold leaf
Silver leaf
Tin foil
Polystyrene
Emulsion
Wax

24.0 Photography

Albumen print
Bromoil print
Tin-type

Silver print
Silver print, selenium toned
Tinted silver print
Toned silver print
Sepia toned silver print
Blue toned silver print

Gold toned silver print
Photogram, silver print

Colour print
Colour print, cibachrome
Type C colour print

25.0 Ceramics

Stoneware
Stoneware, slipware
Stoneware, salt-glaze
Stoneware, saltglazed
Stoneware, saltglaze
Stoneware, celadon glaze
Stoneware, celadon-type glaze
Stoneware, Tenmoku glaze
Stoneware, T material
Stoneware, reduction fired
Stoneware, sawdust fired
Stoneware, soda/salt glazed
Stoneware, tea-dust glaze
Stoneware, lizard-skin glaze
Stoneware, leopard-skin glaze
Stoneware, chün glaze
Stoneware, chün-type glaze
Stoneware, kaki glaze
Stoneware, ash-glaze
Stoneware, ash glaze
Stoneware, 'orange-peel' glaze
Stoneware, tessha glaze
Stoneware, titanium glaze
Stoneware, iron oxide glaze
Stoneware, blue jasperware

Porcelain
Porcelain Agateware
Porcelain, saltglazed
Porcelain with chamotte
Porcelain, celadon glaze
Porcelain, tenmoku glaze
Porcelain, lustre glaze
Porcelain, bone-china
Porcelain, blue china
Porcelain, hard-paste china
Hard-paste porcelain
Duck-egg porcelain
Black porcelain, basaltware
Buff porcelain

Slip-cast
Slip cast
Slip-cast stoneware
Slip-cast earthenware

Earthenware
Earthenware, slipware
Earthenware (Slipware)
Earthenware, tin-glazed
Earthenware, tin glazed
Tin-glazed earthenware
Earthenware, lead-glaze
Earthenware, galena glaze
Earthenware, honey glaze
Earthenware, terracotta
Earthenware (Terracotta)
Earthenware, openfired
Red Earthenware
Black earthenware
Terracotta

Card
Mixed clay bodies
Grogged clay
Raku
Wood
Slate
China
Bone china
Bone-china
Wire

26.0 Weapons, Worldcraft, Decorative, Oriental and Baskets

Rock crystal
Lead crystal
Argillite
Marble
Slate
Alabaster

Glass
Paint
Mirror
Enamel
Gilding

Gilt
Gesso
Plaster
Papier-mache
Cardboard

Metal
Iron
Cast
Celluloid
Pewter
Brass
Brass, alloy
Bronze
Bronze, cast
Wire

Leather
Bone
Reindeer bone
Ivory
Hide
Animal skin
Armadillo shell
Snakeskin
Deerskin
Animal hair
Horsehair
Feather

Wood
Bamboo
Wood [bamboo]
wood (mahogany)

Fabric
Cloth
Twine
Straw
Thread
Silk
String
Cane
Wool
Raffia
Beads

Gourds
Rush

Basketwork
Palm leaf
Split palm leaf
Deer grass
Willow
Split willow
Cedar bark
Spruce root
Corn husk
Squawbush
Squaw bush
Pearl shell
Coconut shell
Cowrie shells

27.0 Papers for prints, watercolours and drawings

Heavy
Thin

Wove
Laid
Antique
Coated
Bond
Proofing
India
Sugar

Card
Cardboard
Photographic
Watercolour

Japanese
Japanese straw
Straw
Speckled

Hand made
Handmade
Mouldmade
Rag
Buckram
Tissue
Tracing
Chip

Watermarked

O.W.P. & A.C.L.

SCA

R.W.S.

T.S.L.

TSL

T.G.L.

TGL

LVG

RCA

J.Green

T. Edmonds

F.J.Head

F.J.Head sketchbook

T.H.Saunders

T.H. Saunders

T.H. Saunders Hot Press

BFK Rives

BFK Rives Velin Cuve

Hodgkinson

Whatman

Waterman

Bockingford

Somerset

Grisbrook

Hayle

Atlantis

Eynsford

Reeves

Millbourne

Milbourne

Cockerell

David Strang

Dixon David Cox

Arches

Ingres

Michallet

Michaliet

Marais

Basingwerk Parchment

Schoeller

Van Gelder Zonen

Rembrandt

Zerkal

Zerkall

Fabriano

Rivoli

Graphia

Feliciano

Sante Innamorati
Gampi Vellum

28.0 Photographic papers

Pearl
Matt
Semi-matt
Gloss
Semi-gloss
High-gloss
Fibre based
Fibre-based
Multigrade fibre
Multigrade
Cibachrome

Kodak
Kodak Mural
Kodak Bromide
Kodak WFL
Kodak RC Lustre
Agfa
Agfa Brovira
Agfa Chlorobromide
Agfa Record Rapide
Agfa Portrigo-Rapid
Agfa Portrigo-Rapid
Ilford Cibachrome
Ilfospeed
Ilfordspeed
Gevaert
PAL Bromide
Fujicolour

29.0 Supports for Oil Paintings

Canvas
Linen
Card
Canvas board
Hardboard
Millboard
Chipboard
Board
Plywood
Panel

Oak panel
Slate
Tin
Metal
Plate glass

Terms Used in 'Inscription'

30.0 General guidelines

For describing inscriptions on pictures the following format has been used:

(the medium of the inscription, the location of the inscription) the inscription itself [any additional information referring to that inscription], the next one

ie. (Pencil, lower right margin) Graham Sutherland [artist's signature], (red ink stamp, verso) KG [collector's stamp of Kenneth Guichard]

Normally the first listed inscriptions will be the title/ signature/ edition number/ makers stamp (the important and obvious inscriptions about the work). For pictures, inscriptions on the front are listed first followed by the back of the work (verso) and then any on supports such as mounts, frames or stretchers.

Text in pictures or on ceramic pieces as part of the artwork are not recorded in Inscriptions. Instead these are included at the end of Description with the phrase, 'Text on image' for example 'Text on image, book spines, 'Spinoza', 'Locke' and 'Rousseau'.'

See the diagram for terms used for describing the location of an inscription. This mainly refers to prints where terms such as plate, block and stone are used to categorise inscriptions which were made on these other sources and printed from those sources hence we get '(plate, lower right corner)' where plate (or block or stone) effectively becomes the medium. In a watercolour an ink signature in the lower left corner of the image would be described as (black ink, lower left corner)

For inscriptions on the back of an image the term 'verso' is solely used, ie. we do not use 'verso, lower right corner'

For signatures the term '[artist's signature]' has been added in square brackets after the inscription. This is far from ideal and can interfere with the flow of an inscription. The term 'signed' is used by the Keeper of Art but has not been transferred to the database

Oil Pastel
Chalk
Gouache
Watercolour
Paint (used instead of oil in the category oil paintings)
Acrylic
Tempera
Printed text (used for any kind of printed text be it letterpress or offset)
Typed text
Stamp
Embossed stamp
Impress stamp
Erased mark
Caption (only rarely used)
Impressed seal
Impressed circular seal
Impressed mark
Incised
Incised mark
Painted mark
Written mark
Transfer
Brushed paint
Slip
Painted monogram

32.0 Location of the inscription

(in addition to the above diagram)

Left margin
Right margin
Centre right
Centre left
Previous mount
Original mount
Now lost
Album leaf
Mount
Label
Attached label
Plaque
Stretcher
Cradle
Canvas
Frame
Slip on frame
Verso

Front page
Dust Jacket
Base
Foot
Handle
Exterior surface
Dish interior

33.0 Used for the inscription itself

[Gulbenkian Label]
[B...art?] or [.?] (formats used to record illegible inscriptions, if a ? is used to inform of uncertainty then it is placed in square brackets)
[technical details]
[Chinese characters]

34.0 Comments on the inscription

[artist's monogram]
[monogram of John Deffett Francis]
[collector's stamp of ...]
[in reverse]
... [continued at length]
[underlined]
[encircled]
[artist's signature]
[crossed out]
[in glaze]
[beneath glaze]
[Louise Powell monogram] (format used for other artist/makers to)
[plate number] (only rarely used)

No inscription present - some are left blank and some have entered:

None
[None]

Terms Used in Notes

35.0 General guidelines

For prints the following format has been used to record edition numbers

'Number 26 from an edition of 60' or, if the first number is unknown 'from an edition of 60'

Where relevant this is always the first thing mentioned in Notes followed by, where relevant, any reference to the state of the print where words rather than numbers are used, ie. Artist's proof, first state, second state, third state, fourth state, fifth (final) state, etc.

Other regular terms are:

- Artist's proof
- Trial proof
- Mounted together with ...
- Restored by ...
- Same subject as
- Plate still exists
- Printed by ...

Notes is used for a variety of information. Examples include:

- More detail on provenance
- References to relevant books, journals and websites
- Where the object was exhibited prior to accession

To clarify information in other fields, ie. that a print was printed 30 years later than when the plate was made or that it was engraved after a drawing by a different artist

More detail about the context of the work, ie. what the artist has said about it, what is significant about the subject, what is the history of the sitter in a portrait