The exhibition *30 Americans* is drawn from the Rubell Family Collection and presents American experiences seen through the distinct lens of the African American artists included in the this exhibition. The works on display engage with issues of race, history, identity and beauty that have shaped American life and art over the last four decades. This bibliography highlights select books from the library's collection that examine the careers of the artists, the exhibition featuring their work, as well as compilations of contemporary African American art. Some of the artists included in this exhibition have few resources available and in these cases articles and artist websites are linked.

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Artists Included in the Exhibition

**Nina Chanel Abney**
Call No: ND195 .V582 2011

Call No: N6487 .M53 R8375 2015

**John Bankston**

http://www.artnet.com/artists/john-bankston/

**Jean-Michel Basquiat**
Call No: BASQUIAT ND237 .B276 A4 2010

Call No: BASQUIAT N6537 .B233 E46 2003

http://www.artnet.com/artists/jean-michel-basquiat/

Call No: BASQUIAT N6537 .B233 A4 2005

**Mark Bradford**
Call No: BRADFORD MARK N6537 .B73 A4 2010

Call No: N6537 .B655 A4 2007a

http://www.artnet.com/artists/mark-bradford/biography

**Nick Cave**
Call No: CAVE NICK N6537 .C38 A4 2013

Cave, Nick, Kenneth J Foster, Kate Eilersten, Dan Cameron and Pamela McClusky. *Meet Me at the Center of the Earth.* San Francisco: Yerbe Buena Center for the Arts, 2009.
Call No: CAVE NICK N6537 .C38 A4 2009

**Robert Colescott**
Call No: ND238 .N5 F54 2018

Call No: N44 C6434r .S55 1987

**Noah Davis**
Call No: N6512.7 .Y68 2016


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**Leonardo Drew**
Call No: DREW LEONARDO N6537 .D749 A4 2009

Call No: DREW LEONARDO N6537 .D749 A4 2012

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**Renée Green**
Call NO: GREEN RENÉE N6537 .G696 A4 2010

Call No: GREEN N6537 .G696 A4 2009

**David Hammons**
Call No: N44 H159d .S26 1991

Call No: HAMMONS DAVID N6537 .H3455 A4 2016

**Barkley L. Hendricks**
Call No: HENDRICKS BARKLEY N6537 .H3854 A4 2011

Call No: HENDRICKS BARKLEY ND237 .H47 A4 2008

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**Rashid Johnson**
Call No: JOHNSON RASHID N6537 J6386 A4 2016

Call No: JOHNSON RASHID N6537 J6386 A4 2009

**Glenn Ligon**
Call No: LIGON N6537 .L53 A35 2011

Call No: LIGON N6537 .L535 A4 2011

**Kalup Linzy**


**Kerry James Marshall**
Call No.: MARSHALL KERRY JAMES ND237.M24623 A4 2016


**Rodney McMillian**

**Wangechi Mutu**


**William Pope.L**


**Rozeal**


**Gary Simmons**


**Xaviera Simmons**

**Lorna Simpson**
Call No: SIMPSON LORNA TR820.5 .S55 E58 2006

Call No: SIMPSON LORNA N6537 .S55 L67 2002

Call No: SIMPSON LORNA N6537 .S555 A4 2013

**Shinique Smith**
Call No: SMITH SHINIQUE N6537 .S6176 A4 2010

http://www.jstor.org/stable/40598939

**Henry Taylor**


http://www.jstor.org/stable/24879057

**Hank Willis Thomas**
Call No: THOMAS HANK WILLIS TR647 .T494 P58 2008

Call No: THOMAS HANK WILLIS TR647 .T494 H36 2015

**Mickalene Thomas**
Call No: ND238 .N5 F54 2018

Call No: THOMAS MICKALENE N6537 .T553 A4 2012

**Kara Walker**
Call No: WALKER N6537 .W236 A4 2003

Call No: WALKER N6537 .W236 A4 2002

**Carrie Mae Weems**
Call No: WEEMS TR647 .W42 A4 2012


**Kehinde Wiley**


**Purvis Young**


**Artist Compilations**


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