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30 Americans

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

Roselione-Valadez, Juan, ed. No Man’s Land: Women Artists from the Rubell Family Collection.
Miami: Rubell Family Collection, Contemporary Arts Foundation, 2015.
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: BRADFORD MARK 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


Leonardo Drew


Renée Green


David Hammons


Barkley L. Hendricks


Rashid Johnson


Glenn Ligon


Kalup Linzy

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

Call No: MARSHALL KERRY JAMES ND237 .M24623 A4 2010

Call No: ND238 .N5 F54 2018

Call No: MARSHALL KERRY ND237 .M24623 A35 2000

**Rodney McMillian**
Call No: MCMILLIAN RODNEY N6537 .M39985 A4 2016

Call no: MCMILLIAN RODNEY N6537 .M39985 A4 2018

**Wangechi Mutu**
Call No: WANGECHI MUTU N6537 .W25 A4 2010

Call No: WANGECHI MUTU N6537 .W25 A4 2013

**William Pope.L**
Call No: POPE.L WILLIAM NX512 .P67 P67 2002

Pope.L, William. *Proto-Skin Set.*
Call No: POPE.L WILLIAM NX512 .P67 A4 2017

**Rozeal**

http://www.jstor.org/stable/4488369

Call No: N6487 .M53 R8375 2015

**Gary Simmons**
Call No: SIMMONS GARY N6537 .S5474 A4 2012

**Xaviera Simmons**


**Lorna Simpson**


**Shinique Smith**


**Henry Taylor**


**Hank Willis Thomas**


**Mickalene Thomas**


**Kara Walker**


**Carrie Mae Weems**


**Kehinde Wiley**


**Purvis Young**


**Artist Compilations**


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