



IIIF collections

This summary of institutions offering materials viewable via IIIF is a snapshot and far from complete. The same is true of the descriptions of the offered materials. Many institutions offer very broad access to their collections. Moreover, the number of images accessible through IIIF is increasing rapidly. So, looking at collections oneself is very much worth it.

A useful tool to use when looking at materials from other collections in the Leiden IIIF Advanced Viewer is the [Firefox/Chrome extension “Open in IIIF Viewer”](#).

IIIF manifest aggregators

[OCLC ResearchWorks IIIF Explorer \(OCLC Research\)](#)

This prototype opens millions of IIIF compatible images from CONTENTdm systems. This aggregator holds CONTENTdm collections from: Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, Vrije Universiteit, Universiteit Wageningen, TRESOAR and the Dutch Literature Museum. Users can search for, for example, subject and organisation.

[Biblissima](#)

Biblissima unlocks manuscripts and books published before 1800 and contains works from 15 libraries, among which are Stanford, Bodleian Libraries and the British Library.

[Cultural Japan](#)

An aggregator with more than a million items concerning Japanese culture, with for example historical maps. With extensive search and browse possibilities. Contains an option to show similar items next to one another.

[Europeana](#)

Europeana is not an IIIF aggregator but uses object manifests in collections to show images in their IIIF viewer. Concerns 2,8 million items.

[Internet Archive](#)

Much to explore, but it can be difficult to show objects in the IIIF viewer. [Here are some tips to make it work](#).

[World Digital Library \(Library of Congress\)](#)

Materials from a great number of organisations, among which KITLV. A wide range of items. User-friendly website with timelines, graphics, etc.

[SCTA](#)

Scholastics. Commentaries and texts from, for example, Stanford, Internet Archive and Vatican Library.



Large IIF collections

[Digital Collections Bayerische Staatsbibliothek](#) (>5.000.000 IIF items)

>1.000.000 newspaper issues.

[Harvard Digital Collections](#) (>5.000.000 IIF-items)

HDC unlocks several Harvard repositories.

- [CURIOUSity Digital Collections](#) contains different views per subject, like maps and medieval manuscripts.
- [Hollis Images](#) is the image catalogue. This Primo catalogue contains a built-in Mirador viewer.
- [Harvard Art Museum](#): Art, from ancient times to today. Manifests can be found behind the share button.

[Endangered Archives Programme](#) (>5.000.000 IIF-items)

Lots of Asian archives

[SearchWorks Stanford Libraries](#) (>5.000.000 IIF-items)

Art, maps, photographs, etc. exhibits.stanford.edu offers specific collections.

[Bibliothèque Nationale de France](#) (>5.000.000 IIF-items)

The easiest way to show images in IIF viewers by using their manifest [can be found here](#).

[Smithsonian Institution Archives](#)

Biology (more than 2 million images of dicots!), art, music, photographs, architecture, etc.

Other

[The University of Edinburgh Art Collection](#)

Art (16th century – now) with advanced search options.

[Norman B. Leventhal Map & Education Center](#)

Maps and georeferencing. Type *manifest* behind the URL to view the manifest.

[University of St Andrews](#)

Large photography collection

[Digital Collections Northwestern Universities](#)

Posters and photographs

[Bibliothèque Mazarin](#)



incunables, encyclopaedia's and music.

[Université de Geneve/Fondation Martin Bodmer](#)

World-literature

[British Library/BNF](#)

Medieval French and English manuscripts (700-1200).

[Brown University Library](#)

Herbarium

[Chester Beatty Digital Collections](#)

Clay tablets, and antique and Eastern manuscripts and art.

[Columbia University Libraries](#)

The Biggart Collection of Architectural Vignettes

[David Rumsey Map Collection](#)

Maps. Click Share to find the manifest.

[Digit Library of Medieval Manuscripts](#)

Roman de la Rose and Christine de Pizan Digital Scriptorium.

[Distributed Digital Music Archives and Libraries lab at the Schulich School of Music](#)

Sheet music

[e-codices](#)

Medieval manuscripts, rolls, etc. from 97 Swiss institutes.

[e-manuscripta](#)

Sheet music, maps, texts, etc. (Swiss)

[e-rara](#)

Special works from Swiss collections (for example, alchemy, JJ Rousseau, pamphlets and post-15th century publications)

[EPFL Library](#)

Maps, manuscripts, incunables, etc.

[Folger Shakespeare Library](#)

Images concerning Shakespeare.

[Fragmentarium, laboratory for Medieval Manuscript Fragments](#)

Medieval manuscript fragments. Extensive selection options.



[The Newberry & University of Toronto – French Renaissance Paleography](#)

Manuscripts, calligraphy and maps.

[Universität Göttingen](#)

Extensive collections. Manifest can be found behind the option “contents”.

[Fulda Hochschul- und Landesbibliothek](#)

Manuscripts, incunables, maps, newspapers, sheet music, etc. Manifest van be found behind Cite and reuse.

[Indiana University, Bloomington Lilly Library](#)

Selections from John James Audobon’s Birds of America.

[J. Paul Getty Museum](#)

Ancient history, art, manuscripts, photographs, etc. > 30.000 items.

[Keio University Libraries](#)

Japanese art, calligraphy, texts. Incunables, Gutenberg bible.

[Klassik Stiftung Weimar](#)

Goethe, Nietzsche, diverse. Manifest behind Cite and reuse.

[Lectio](#)

Unlocked manuscript lecture notes from the old Leuven University (1425-1797).

[Textgrid](#)

German literature, philosophy, cultural history etc.

[The Frick Collection](#)

Art

[The Leiden Collection](#)

17th-century Dutch art.

[Trinity College Cambridge](#)

Medieval manuscripts and printed works.

[University of Edinburgh](#)

Medieval manuscripts, architecture, photography, maps, etc. Integration with Archive Space. Manifest can be found beneath the Share-tab.

[Illinois Library Digital Collections](#)

Letters from, for example, Proust, historical maps, art, etc.

[Universität Kassel](#)



Photographs, monographs, maps, music, *Hildebrandslied*, etc. Manifest can be found beneath Cite and use.

[Manchester University](#)

Hebraica, Dante, papyri, photographs, middle ages. Manifest under Share.

[Yale Center for British Art](#)

British art. For IIF compliant images, click Rights. Public Domain.

[Wellcome Library](#)

Medicine and biomedicine.

[Visual Library](#)

Medieval documents, newspapers, posters, etc.

[Virtual Hill Museum & Manuscript Library](#)

Digitised manuscripts from Europe, Africa, the Middle East and South Asia.

[Digivatlib \(Vaticaan\)](#)

Manuscripts, incunables, coins, etc.

[Universität Heidelberg](#)

Manuscripts and incunables.

[Washington University Libraries](#)

Photographs, maps, newspapers, posters, etc. Diverse collection with a beautiful website.

[University of Toronto Libraries](#)

Middle ages, classical antiquity and anatomy.