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This selected list of printed resources includes references to single works and also to types of reference works, e.g. ‘auction house catalogues’ or ‘biographical dictionaries by occupation’. The list is arranged thematically.

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- Burgess, R., Portraits of doctors and scientists in the Wellcome Institute of the History of Medicine (1973).
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For further suggestions see the NPG publications list at: http://www.npg.org.uk/business/publications.php

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Pycroft, G., *Art in Devonshire: with the biographies of artists born in that county* (1883).


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See also:

- membership directories of artists’ societies: national, regional and local
- artists’ monographs; artist entries in the *Oxford Dictionary of National Biography*
**Portrait Miniatures**

**Prints**

**Exhibition catalogues**

See also: regional exhibition catalogues

**Art periodicals**
- *The Art Journal*
- *The British Art Journal*
- *Burlington Magazine*
- *Connoisseur*
- *Proceedings of the Society of Antiquaries*
- *The Walpole Society*

**Biographical dictionaries by occupation or location**
- *Alumni Oxonienses ... 1500–1714*, 4 vols (1891–2); 8 vol. repr. (1968) and (2000).
- *Crockford's Clerical Directory*.

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*Who Was Who.*

See also: public school registers; university and college registers; trade directories; gazetteers; *Gentleman’s Magazine*; cemetery records;

**Auction sales catalogues**

For example, Bonhams, Christie’s, Sotheby’s and Phillips’s

**Frames, watermarks, monograms**


**Guidebooks**

- National Trust guidebooks
- English Heritage guidebooks

**Portrait Medals**


**Silhouettes**

**Costume**

**Photographic portraits**

**Patronage**