

Basic Search / Avery Index to Architectural Periodicals

<http://www2.library.ucla.edu/libraries/arts/9813.cfm>

Welcome to the UCLA Arts Library's tutorial designed to help you search for articles about architecture and design using the *Avery Index to Architectural Periodicals*.

Basic Search Instructions

The most direct way to access the *Avery Index* is from the UCLA Library's home page [<http://www2.library.ucla.edu/>]. Choose E-Resources [<http://www2.library.ucla.edu/search/eresources.cfm>], then Article Databases [<http://www2.library.ucla.edu/search/db.cfm>]. Type "Avery Index" in the Search box.

VPN Client

If you're using a computer on the UCLA campus or if you're off campus but your computer is set up with a VPN client, simply click the CSA link for access. If you don't yet have the VPN on your computer, you can click the Off-campus access link [<http://www.cdlib.org/inside/resources/services/offcampusaccess.html>] which will provide you with simple instructions. Choose UC Los Angeles.

Basic Search

The *Avery* is the most comprehensive index to architectural periodicals. It is updated weekly and indexes over 2,000 journals published worldwide. As an example, I'll do a search for articles about the Disney Hall in Los Angeles designed by Frank Gehry. It's good to note that when you're researching a building project using the *Avery Index*, keyword searches usually work well.

We've retrieved information about 11 articles. Click on View Record for more information about the article. Here is an article from the journal *Ume*, from 2005, number 19, that was written by Paolo Tombesi. It contains photographs, sections, details, diagrams, and axonometric drawings. Click onto UC Elinks to locate the actual article. It's available as a free E-Journal. Remember to note down the year and issue to help you in locating the article. You can click a link to get thumbnail views of the pages. Then you can click another link to download a PDF file of the article.

Let's return to our search results. Further down there's an article from the May/June 2001 issue of *L. A. Architect*. This article isn't available online, but you can search UCLA's Library Catalog [<http://catalog.library.ucla.edu/cgi-bin/Pwebrecon.cgi?DB=local&PAGE=First>] to find a print copy. Journals are often available in multiple locations. We can see that the May/June 2001 issue is available in the Arts Library. Make sure to note down the call number of the journal from the library catalog and the year and issue from the *Avery Index* record in order to find the article in the library.

Interlibrary Loan

If a journal isn't available on campus, you can request it through interlibrary loan. Simply type your library card account, which is your Bruincard number, plus the number on the back of the card, your email address, and the relevant information about the article. Usually you will receive a PDF copy of the article via email within a week to ten days.

Additional resources

Please see the Research Guides link [<http://www2.library.ucla.edu/libraries/arts/9813.cfm>] on the Architecture and Design webpage [<http://www2.library.ucla.edu/libraries/arts/9733.cfm>] for additional tutorials, including one on how to locate sources for specific types of architectural images, such as photographs, plans, and sections.

Please don't hesitate to contact a librarian if you don't find the information you need.