

SOURCES FOR ART IMAGES

Here is a list of sources where you can find free and inexpensive images to use in your art. When searching for clip art, be sure to pay attention to the copyright and usage restrictions given. Some clip art images are copyright-free, while some have specific restrictions. For example, some sites say that the art may be used in a commercial publication if credit is given. (In this case, it is usually acceptable to include a statement on your copyright page with copyright information for the images.) Other sites say that the images may be used for commercial endeavors (i.e., in an eBook that is sold) but not sold as stand-alone images. If you can't find information about the copyright of an image, ASK. Email the contact of the Web page and explain that you are interested in using the image in an eBook you are writing, and ask for guidelines. Some companies allow you to edit the images in any way you'd like, as long as you don't resell them. (Again, make sure to check the copyright and usage guidelines.)

1clipart.com has a large volume of graphics and icons for free, organized by categories.

ArtChixStudio.com - beautiful vintage photos and transparencies for purchase

Artella has a free clip art collection found in the Reading Room
www.artellawordsandart.com/ClipArt1.html

Artella Members-Only Clip Art offers a new, themed collection of 20 new images each month, part of the \$3.00/month membership program (www.ArtellaWordsAndArt.com/members.html)

Clipsahoy.com has colorful cartoon-like drawings of a wide variety. I use a lot of these graphics in my own work because I like the upbeat, whimsical style.

Digital Clendening Collection (<http://clendening.kumc.edu/dc/index.html>) offers rare images, medical illustrations, ancient texts, and vintage letters available for free use.

www.DoverPublications.com has a "Sampler" delivered via email every Friday, with free images. Dover also sells inexpensive collections on every topic imaginable.

Gifart.com has a huge library of copyright-free images, including animated images and flash animations, for which you pay about \$1.00-\$2.00/week for full access and use.

Groovy Graphics (<http://groovygraphicsplace.com>) is run by Artella's Administrative Assistant Zura Ledbetter. She offers a free 8-page downloadable booklet of images, plus inexpensive downloadable sheets on a variety of topics.

Grsites.com has a lot of options, including the Absolute Web Graphics Archive, which contains free copyright-free images.

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