

Image Names on Artists' Books Online

For the technical infrastructure of ABO to operate properly, it is important to follow consistent naming conventions for images. ABO image names contain a lot of information in shorthand format:

tewoEd1Ob1_ia_0008_00.tif

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Each work in ABOonline has a four-letter work id that should remain consistent across all images associated with that work. Try to avoid work ids that are already in use on the site; but if you duplicate a work id, we can fix it easily.	The number of the edition and object in question. Edition should be associated with the actual edition of the book; object number is local and arbitrary. If edition goes above 9, just keep adding: Ed10Ob1, etc.	Specifies the image's size for the site. <code>_ia_</code> means 600 dpi archival TIFF; <code>_fr_</code> means 300 dpi jpg; <code>_hr_</code> is 72 dpi constrained to 1024 pixels on one side; <code>_di_</code> is 72 dpi constrained to 400 pixels on one side; <code>_tb_</code> is 72 dpi constrained to 100 pixels height. Newly scanned images will always be <code>_ia_</code> .	A four-digit number that refers to specific parts of the actual book, and the most important part of the image name to get correct. See below for details.	A more arbitrary two-digit number used for special cases or to designate multiple views of the same page/book part. In the vast majority of cases, <code>_00</code> .

Numbering Images

The four-digit number provides a consistent identifier for different parts of a book. For the most standard case, a straightforward codex book, numbers are assigned as follows:

- 0001: spine
- 0002: front cover
- 0003: back cover
- 0004: head
- 0005: tail
- 0006: foreedge
- 0007: paste
- 0008 and onward: each subsequent page

This system adapts easily to other book formats, as well. For a book that is a stack of cards, for example, each side of the deck would be 1, 3, 4, and 5. There would be no 2 and 3. Image 7 would be side one of the first card, and image 8 would be side two. Image 9 would be side one of the second card, image 10 side two, etc.

For overarching photographs that demonstrate three-dimensional properties of a book, use image number 0000, using the final two-digit number to distinguish multiple overview images.

Special Cases and Multiple Views

The four-digit number is designed for predictability, suggesting a consistent place in each book. The final two-digit number offers a bit more flexibility. For example, a book that has a slipcase will have not just one, but two, spine images, cover images, etc.

- wiwoEd1Ob1_ia_0001_00.tif: Wildwood spine image with slipcase
- wiwoEd1Ob1_ia_0001_01.tif: Wildwood spine image without slipcase

This multiple-view option can also be useful for pages and spreads with sculptural elements. The image that ends with `_00` should be a close-to-flat scan, but `_01` might be a photograph that demonstrates three-dimensionality.