

LibGuide for Archival Collections at the Arts Library



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Have you ever wondered what was behind the glass wall in the lower level of the Haas Family Arts Library? That is the reading room for [Arts Library Special Collections](#) [1] (ALSC), where anyone who registers can view rare, unique, and valuable materials that belong to the Arts Library. In order to ensure these materials are available to all for many years to come, ALSC follows Special Collections procedures advocated by the Association of College and Research Libraries ([ACRL](#) [2]) for access and handling. Although the materials are non-circulating, researchers can view requested items in the ALSC Reading Room during open hours or by appointment. In order to facilitate knowledge about the treasures in ALSC, the staff has created a [guide to the ALSC Archival Collections](#) [3]. These materials are housed at the off-site Library Shelving Facility and can be ordered through the [ALSC request form](#) [4] at least 2 business days in advance of the requested use date. Details about policies for ALSC materials can be found on the [ALSC Policy page](#) [5]. Contact us at 203.432.1712 or haasalsc@yale.edu [6] with questions or to make an appointment.

Image: Woodblock of town of Bethlem from AOB 57 John Warner Barber Collection next to the publication it illustrated, *Connecticut Historical Collections* (1838).

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