What is FIAF International Index to Film Periodicals?

Created by the International Federation of Film Archives, *FIAF International Index to Film Periodicals* indexes more than 350,000 articles from 330 of the world’s foremost academic and popular film journals, dating from 1972 onward.

The database also incorporates the International Index to TV Periodicals (1979–1998); Treasures from the Film Archives, which identifies silent film holdings in archives around the world, the FIAF Affiliates’ Publications and the International Directory of Film/TV Documentation Collections.
1 How can I access FIAF International Index to Film Periodicals?
Your library has taken a subscription to FIAF International Index to Film Periodicals. Please ask a librarian or department member for details on how to access the service.

2 Getting started
The navigation of the home page is clear and straightforward, with a Quick Search box as well as links to the individual databases that make up FIAF International Index to Film Periodicals and the Advanced Search screen.

The Information Resources section contains detailed information, including an online demo to get you started. You can also access Help at any time.

3 Searching for articles
The Quick Search box allows you to perform simple keyword searches.

Type in words or phrases and get instant results from the database.

To perform focused, powerful searches, click on Search.
On the Search page, enter search terms into any of the 12 different fields.

To limit your search to TV or film related articles only or to exclude reviews, check the appropriate boxes at the top of the page.

You can add results to a **Marked List**, create a durable URL or print and email records, download citations, and create a **My Archive** profile to store results and searches for future reference.

Click on the title of the article to show the full citation record.
4 Searching for journals
Click on Search List of Periodicals to search for journals indexed in the resource and then input your search criteria.

You can navigate directly to the main journal page for each periodic by clicking on the journal title in the results. Each result can also be added to your Marked List or My Archive.

5 Refine your search
Boolean and proximity operators
Boolean searching allows you to combine search terms using the operators AND, OR, and NOT.

Proximity searching allows you to combine search terms using the proximity operators NEAR and FBY (followed by).

Truncation allows you to retrieve records containing variations on a search term – eg, auteur, auteurist, auteurism. Type the first few letters (stem) of the keyword followed by an asterisks (*).

To ensure that your search matches the data, use the ‘select from a list’ link where available. Simply enter an approximate search term and then choose the applicable item to paste it into the search field.

6 My Archive
You can create your very own archive from within which you can view your saved records and your saved searches.

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