

Exhibition

Room Sheet

April 26th to May 13th, 2022

FBAUP Library

Sunday to Friday, 9 am to 8 pm

Entry is free

23 Books seminal texts on design and typography

World Book Day

Curator: Antero Ferreira

World Book and Copyright Day (April 23rd) is marked with the presentation of 23 books belonging to the Antero Ferreira Collection (CAF). The exhibition — 23 Books: seminal texts on design and typography — integrates the annual activity of the Fine Arts Faculty Library of the University of Porto. The combination of the number of books with the commemorative date becomes the pretext to show the diversity found in the world of typography and design: twenty-three fundamental works of literature on calligraphy, typography, microtypography, orthotypography, among other areas, are hence gathered.

Representing various sections of the curator's private library in his field of expertise, the copies presented also constitute a rare selection of pioneering texts and publications from publishers specializing in design and graphic arts.

In addition to their intrinsic historical-scientific value, these works — now displayed in two antique glass window bookcases meant specifically for restricted access materials — reflect the confluence of knowledge and passions. Indeed, many of them come from the collection of other collectors, having reached Antero Ferreira's over the last three decades.

Thus, they reveal multiple stories. Each book has 'marks' of its own (ex-libris, handwritten notes, labels, etc.), that allow the mapping of memory and the span of life covered, prompting a 'journey' — from their origins to the present — between the hands of those who leaf through them.

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CAF (Bonfim, Porto), which consists of books, objects, prototypes and instruments of graphic design and typography over time, can be visited later, by prior appointment via email: jferreira@fba.up.pt

BOOKS IN EXHIBITION:

Anjos, Joaquim dos. **Manual do typographo**. Lisboa: David Corazzi, 1886

Arrausi, Juan Jesús. **Metodología en el diseño de la letra: concepto, investigación y realización**. Basel: Schule für Gestaltung Basel, 1996

Azevedo, Pedro de; Scherrer, Bernadette. **Manual de encadernação: técnicas essenciais**. Lisboa: Pedro de Azevedo, 2002

Bartram, Alan. **Five hundred years of book design**. London: The British Library, 2001

Catich, Edward Michael. **The Origin of the Serif; Brush Writing & Roman Letters**. Davenport IA: The Catfish Press, 1969 PH

Coron, Antoine; et al. **Des livres rares depuis l'invention de l'imprimerie** (1998). Paris: Bibliothèque nationale de France, 2002

Fairbank, Alfred. **A Book of Scripts** (no. 48). London: The King Penguin Books, 1949

Gray, Nicolette. **Nineteenth Century Ornamented Types and Title Pages** (1938). London: Faber & Faber, 1951 MS

Hochuli, Jost. **Detail in typography**. Wilmington MA: Compugraphic, 1987 LW

Hubert, Renée Riese. **Surrealism and the book**. Berkeley; Los Angeles CA: University of California Press, 1988 DR

Javal, Émile. **Physiologie de la lecture et de l'écriture**. Paris: Félix Alcan, 1905

Maggs Bros. **Bibliotheca Typographica** (Part I and II, no. 509). London: Maggs Brothers, 1928

Marzoli, Carla. **Calligraphy 1535–1885. A Collection of Seventy-two Writing Books and Specimens (...)**. Milano: La Biblio filia, 1962 JR

Kertész, András. **On Reading** (1971). New York; London: W. W. Norton & Company, 2008

Kindersley, David. **Optical Letter Spacing: for new printing systems** (1966). London: The Wynkyn de Worde Society, 1976 LW

Oliveira, José Custódio de. **Diagnosis tipográfica dos caracteres gregos, hebraicos, e árabicos**. Lisboa: Impressão Regia, 1804

Pujol, Josep Maria; Solà, Joan. **Ortotipografia. Manual de l'autor, l'autoeditor i el dissenyador gràfic** (1995). Barcelona: Columna Edicions, 2000

Rand, Paul. **Thoughts on Design**. New York: Wittenborn & Company, 1947 PR

Ryder, John. **The Case of Legibility**. London: The Bodley Head, 1979 LW

Sadek, G.; Zhukov, M. **Typographia polyglotta. A comparative study in multilingual typesetting** (1991). New York: ATyp; The Cooper Union, 1997

Silva, Libânia da. **Manual do typographo**. Lisboa: Biblioteca de Instrucção Profissional, 1908

Steinberg, Sigfrid Henry. **Five Hundred Years of Printing** (1955). London: Penguin Books, 1979 LW

Taborda, Felipe; Horcades, Carlos; Martins, Nelson. **A tipografia na arquitetura do Rio de Janeiro**. Rio de Janeiro: Editora Index, 1986 JS

CAPTIONS OF ACRONYMS:

DR David Ritchie (UK)

JR John Ryder (London, 1917–2001)

JS Jacob Steinberg (Rio de Janeiro, 1924–2013)

LW Lawrence Wallis, (London, m. 2008)

MS Manuel Silva (Póvoa de Varzim, 1930–2008)

PH P. G. Hubbard (USA)

PR Paul Rand (Brooklyn NY, 1914–96)