The Book Arts Collection

The Book Arts Collection consists of volumes selected as examples of the art of book binding, illustrating, and printing history from the 12th century to the present. These books are located in the Ames Library Tate Archives & Special Collections on the fourth floor and are not available for checkout. The books may be consulted in the Archives Reading Room. Tate Archives & Special Collections’ hours can be accessed by navigating to the Library Homepage, selecting the “Contact” tab and clicking on “Tate Archives” from the drop-down list.

To search for all titles in the collection:

1. Go to <http://www.iwu.edu/library/>
2. In the “Home” tab, click on the link that reads “Ames Catalog” under the Designation “Other Catalogs.”
3. Toward the top of the page of the pop-up window, where large text shows “Advanced Search” as the selected medium, move to its right and choose “Classic Search.”
4. This should bring you to a page with tabs labeled “Quick Search,” “Advanced Search,” and “Course Reserves.” Choose Advanced Search.
5. Then, type in “Book Arts” in the first box, then modify the drop-down box to its right to “these words as a phrase” and then in the last box on the far right, choose “Note Words.” This will give you all the books in our Book Arts Collection.