

# The Cicognara Project



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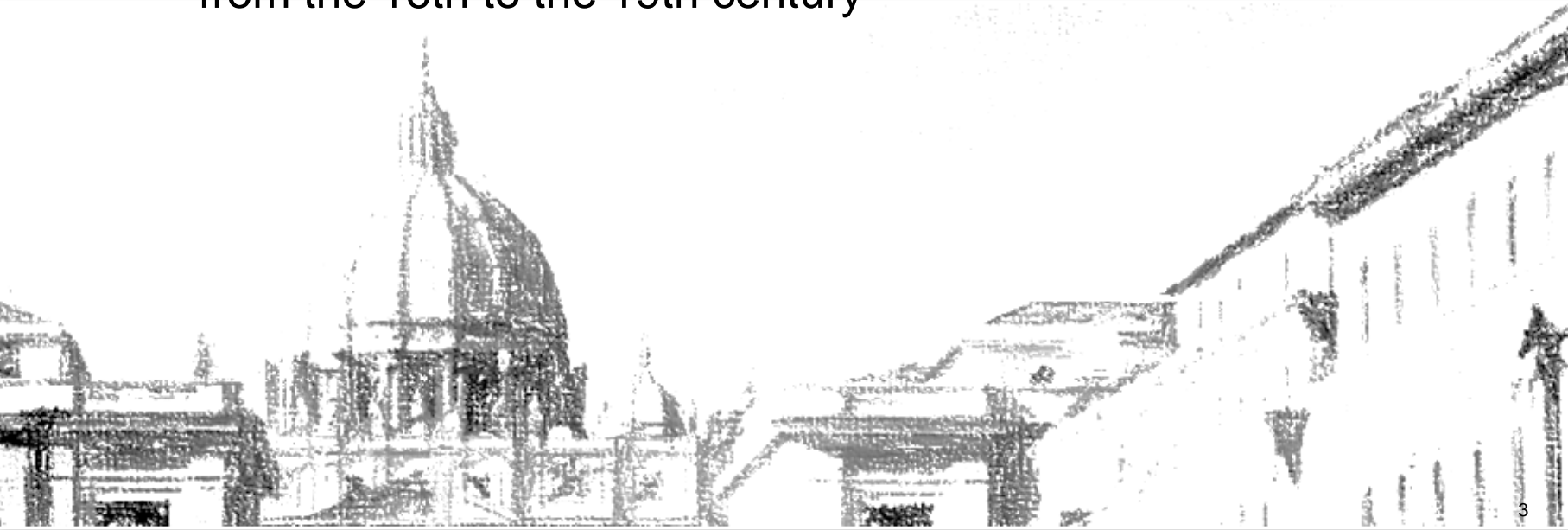
- **Leopoldo Cicognara** (1767-1834)
- Italian art collector, patron and art historiographer
- one of the most remarkable private libraries on archaeology, art and cultural history



Painting by Ludovico Lipparini

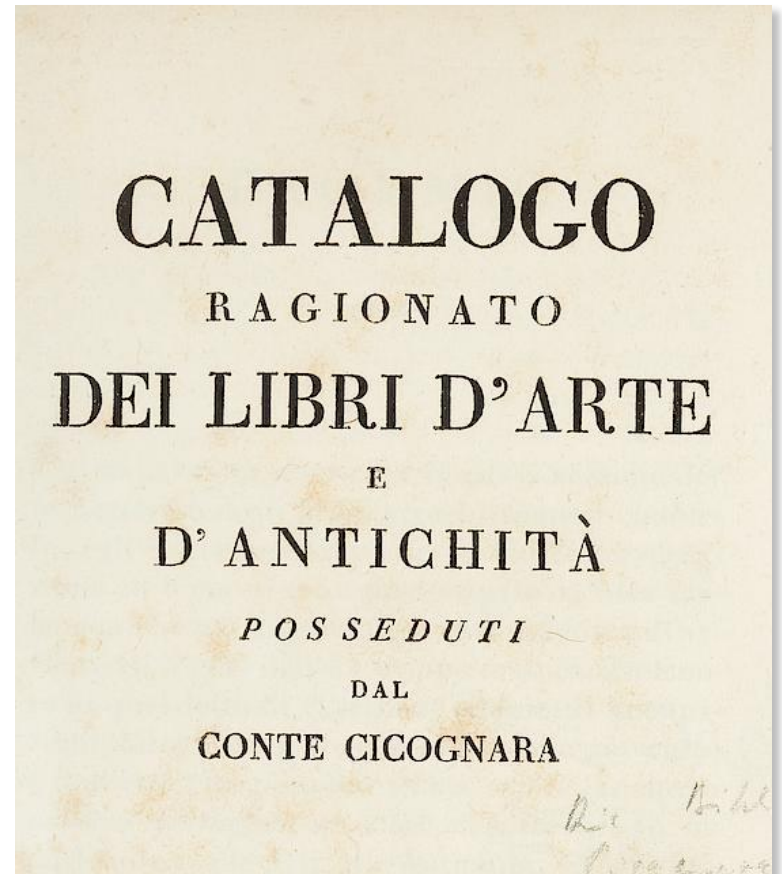
# “Fondo Cicognara” in Rome

- 1824: library was bought by the Vatican
- held until today as the “Fondo Cicognara”
- book collection consisted of more than 5,000 titles
- primarily Italian, Latin, English as well as French works from the 16th to the 19th century



# Catalogo ragionato dei libri d'arte e d'antichità (Pisa, 1821)

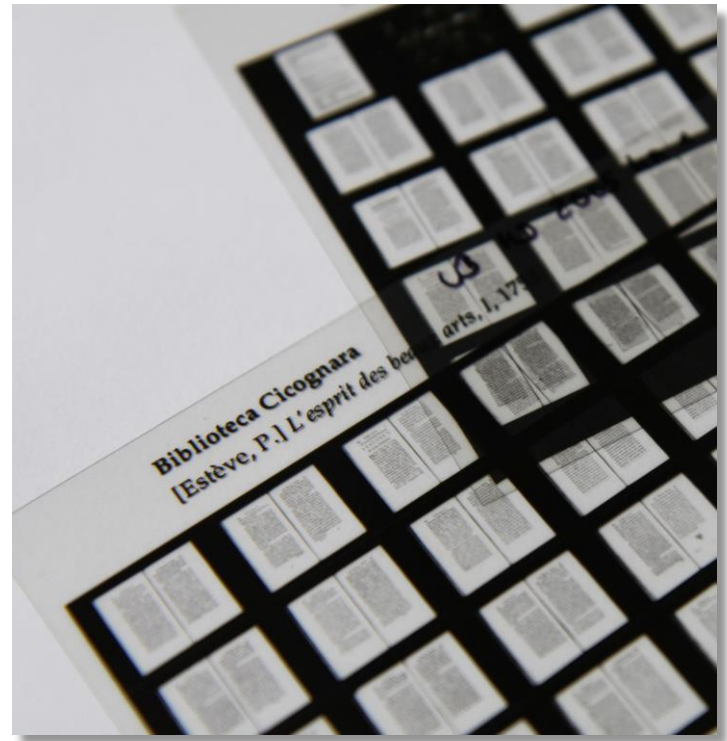
- 1821 Cicognara published a two volume inventory
- sorted by area of studies
- each title is consecutively numbered



# Microfiche Collection

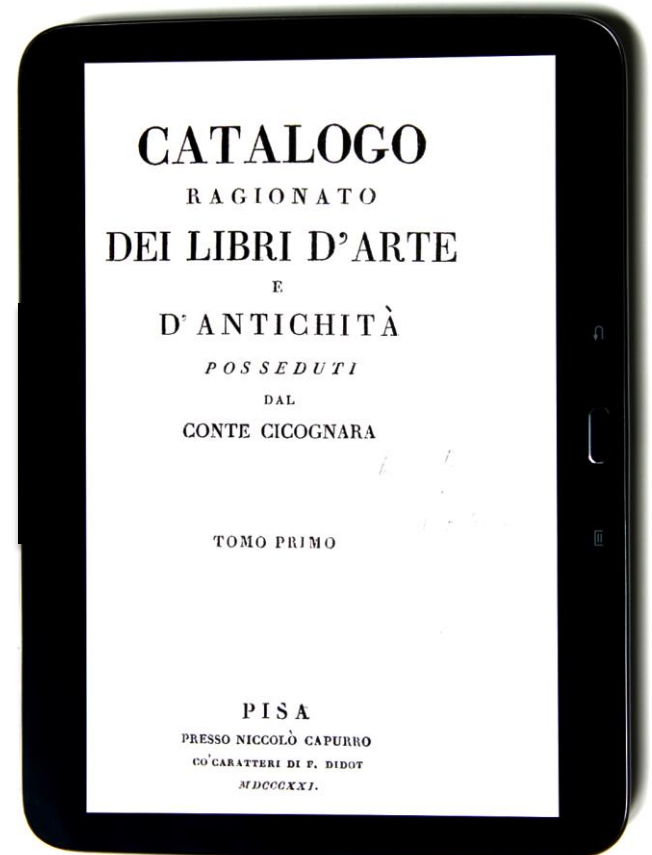
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- 1989 a collaborative effort was launched by the **University of Illinois Library** and the **Vatican Library**
- the entire “Fondo Cicognara” was filmed and published as a microfiche-edition
- funded by the **Samuel H. Kress Foundation**



# Digital Cicognara Collection

- **locate** already existing and matching digital editions
- **digitize** the volumes
- **unite** them on one unison portal
- make the entire Cicognara Library **freely accessible and searchable** on the internet
- focus lies on all of the volumes **listed in the inventory**, the “Catalogo ragionato”



# Project Partners

- Princeton University
- The Getty Research Institute
- Heidelberg University Library
- Harvard University
- National Gallery of Art Library
- University of Illinois Library
- Frick Art Reference Library
- Avery Architectural & Fine Arts Library at Columbia University



# Mapping the library collections

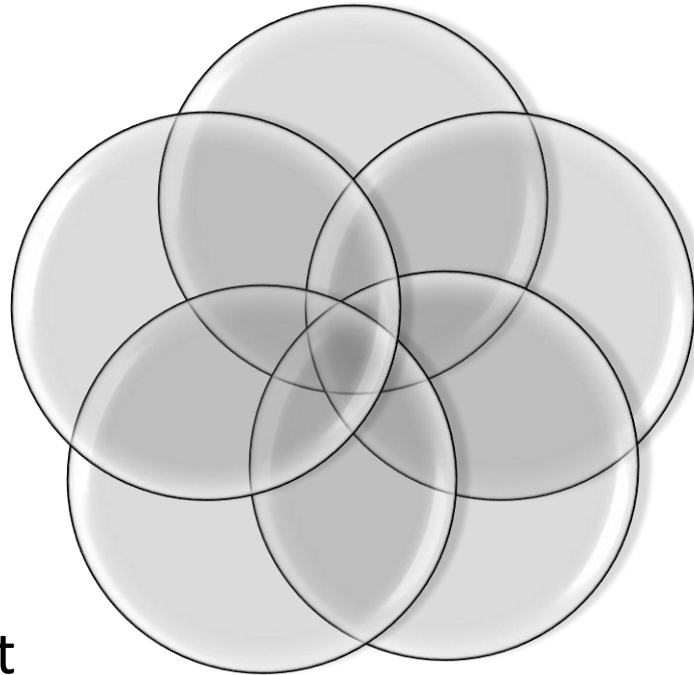
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# Thank you !



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