Along the River During the Qingming Festival

Zhang Zeduan (張擇端)
Kaifeng, 1145

The Ideal City

Francesco di Girogio Martini
Urbino, 1480

The Piazza San Marco

Canaletto
Venice, 1723

Paris Street; Rainy Day

Gustave Caillebotte
Paris, 1877

Notcturne: Blue and Gold

Jame Abbott McNeill Whistler
Venice,1879

Metropolis

Fritz Lang
New York, 1927

The Nighthawk

Edward Hopper
Greenwich Village, 1942

Naked City

Jules Dassin
New York, 1948

New York, Times Square

Heinrich Heidersberger
New York, 1954

Do the Right Thing

Spike Lee
New York, 1989

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2017

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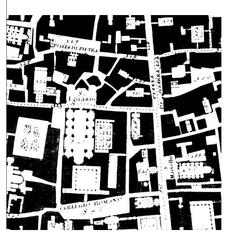
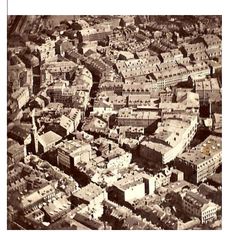


Map of Rome

Giambattista Nolli
1748

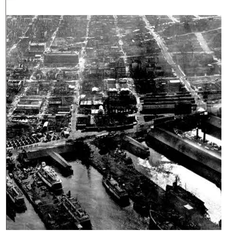


Boston, as the Eagle and WIld Goose See it

James Wallace Black
1860

Pigeon photography

Julius Neubronner
1903



San Francisco in ruins

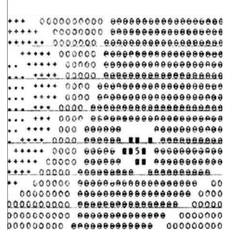
George Lawrence
1906

Aerial survey mosaic

Sherman Fairchild
1948

Corona satellite

CIA
1959



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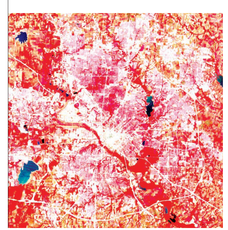
Howard T. Fisher
1965



LANDSAT-1 satellite

NOAA
1972

Public high-res imagery

DigitalGlobe
2009

The city image as depicted in the arts and the sciences.
A brief history of the view from the ground vs the view from above.