

Columbia University School of the Arts Photography Department

35mm SLR Camera Recommendations

These SLR (Single Lens Reflex) Cameras are highly recommended and appropriate for all classes offered by the Photography Department. With each manufacturer we've suggested models that range in price and features.

All cameras have manual control of the f/stop and shutter speed and are paired with a normal fixed lens of either 35mm or 50mm.

No point-and-shoots or zoom lenses !

WHERE TO BUY

You can undoubtedly get the best deals by purchasing cameras through sellers on eBay. **BUYER BEWARE:** Sellers on eBay often misrepresent the camera, or take too long to ship, leaving you without a camera during the semester when you desperately need it.

We recommend these reputable sellers:

K&M Camera

(212) 523-0954
368 Broadway
(btw White and Franklin)
<http://www.kmcamera.com>
Mon-Fri 9am-7pm
Saturday 10am-6pm

B&H Photo

420 9th Ave btw 33rd & 34th
Mon—Thu 9am to 6:15pm.
Fri until 1pm, Sun 9:30 to 5.

KEH

www.keh.com
Note: Stay away from the cameras rated as Bargain

CAMERAS TO AVOID

Known to be trouble due to cheap construction or design:

- Canon AE-1 **PROGRAM**
- Canon Rebel (all models)
- Vivitar 3800 (all Vivitar)
- Minolta Maxxum
- Nikon FM10
- Nikon N75
- Yashica
- Any Auto-focus Automatic
- All Zoom Lenses !

NIKON



Nikon F
\$125-\$300



Nikon F2
\$200-\$500



Nikon F3
\$200-\$350



Nikon FM
\$150-\$250



Nikon FM2
\$200-\$300



Nikkormat
\$100-\$200

Canon



Canon AE-1 *
\$50-\$150

*Avoid Canon AE-1 PROGRAM



Canon FTb
\$50-\$100



Canon F-1
\$150-\$250

Other SLR Cameras



Pentax K1000
\$30-\$75



Olympus OM-1
\$75-\$150



Minolta SRT 101/102
\$50-\$125

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