

Anna Atkins

1799-1871

English botanist

First person to illustrate a book using photographic images

Friend and neighbor of Sir John Herschel who invented the process of cyanotyping and William Henry Fox Talbot, considered the “Father of Photography”

“The difficulty of making accurate drawings of objects so minute has induced me to avail myself of Sir John Herschel’s beautiful process of cyanotype to obtain impressions of the plants themselves, which I have much pleasure in offering to my botanical friends.”

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