Ulrich Museum of Art Art+Feminism Wikipedia Edit-a-Thon



EDITING

What is an edit-a-thon?

Edit-a-thons are events where people of all gender identities and expressions learn how to edit Wikipedia. The goal of our activities is to add and improve the available content on gender, feminism, and the arts. There is no set duration, but our event will run for at least 3 hours. During this time, we'll lead a training and you as a participant can make a few productive edits. People gather under the banner of Art+Feminism year-round, but the majority of our edit-a-thons take place in March.

What will I edit?

The Ulrich specializes in modern & contemporary art (20th and 21st century) and the edits we'll be making in Wikipedia will focus on female artists from our personal collection. Don't worry, the Ulrich Interns will be conducting research and assembling all the information you'll need to make the necessary edits. We still encourage you though to explore our collection which is home to more than 6,700 works including an extensive outdoor sculpture collection. You can view our collection here.

How do I edit?

Art+Feminism offers amazing resources on how to edit in Wikipedia. You can find them here: https://artandfeminism.org/resources/getting-started/quick-guides-for-editing/

Some important things to keep in mind is how you should edit. Simply put, all Wikipedia articles need to be Neutral, Verifiable (citations), and Unoriginal (the information must come from a published and reliable source).

Create your Wikipedia account

We advise that you create a Wikipedia account to help make it easier to edit. Just go here: https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Special:CreateAccount&returnto=Main+Page

Wikipedia also offers some editing tutorials on their website. Click on 'Learn to edit' on the far left side of the screen or just click here: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Help:Introduction

We encourage you to start learning how to edit on Wikipedia before the event and we'll provide a short "refresher" the day of the event!

Artists

During this event, we'll be focusing on women artists from the Ulrich's permanent collection. You don't need to worry about finding all the information yourself, we'll have folders ready that contain articles, journals, and bibliographies.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND

Safe Space

Art+Feminism, strives to provide a harassment-free experience for everyone, regardless of race, gender, gender identity, and expression, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, body size, age, religion, marital status, or any other vector of identity. Any and all organizers and partners who sign-on to work with our campaign have to share in our commitment to creating brave spaces for all. That means that Art+Feminism edit-a-tons are spaces where we agree to work together to break down our implicit and explicit biases not only on Wikipedia but also in our interactions with one another and our fellow editors. It also means we agree to hold ourselves and others accountable for the ways we either contribute or subtract from and safe and brave spaces. We point out harm when we see it, and we work within the community to speak up when/if we see event attendees experiencing microagressions, unfair and/or biased treatment, and inequitable exclusion.

Off and online harassment are problems that affect Wikipedia's environment, preventing marginalized communities from continuing to edit on the platform.

If you need to report an incident of harassment, please first contact the organizer of your local event, to see if the issue can be resolved locally. If you need to report the incident to us, seek advice or an investigation, or find other legal or educational resources about how to respond or report an issue of harassment within or outside the Wikipedia community, please contact us directly at safety@artandfeminism. org to report the incident.

In fall 2019, Art+Feminism established a committee devoted to developing educational resources to help prevent, manage and report incidents harassment, in person, and on Wiki. The working group's mission is to provide advice to those experiencing harassment and to help them navigate the existing protocols and reporting instances.