

# Women Writers Project Accessibility Conformance Report

## WCAG Edition

VPAT® Version 2.3 (Revised) – April 2019

### Name of Product/Version:

Women Writers Online

### Product Description:

Women Writers Online is a full-text collection of early women's writing in English, published by the Women Writers Project at Northeastern University. It includes full transcriptions of texts published between 1526 and 1850, focusing on materials that are rare or inaccessible.

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### Notes:

Our latest accessibility statement and evaluations can be found at <https://wwp.northeastern.edu/wwo/license/accessibility.html>.

## Evaluation Methods Used:

In addition to manual review of code and interface behavior, the following accessibility testing tools were used:

- the Firefox extension [WAVE Evaluation Tool](#), version 1.0.4;
- [the Text Spacing Bookmarklet](#), last updated October 10, 2018; and
- [the WebAIM Contrast Checker](#), accessed August 26, 2019.

## Applicable Standards/Guidelines

This report covers the degree of conformance for the following accessibility standard/guidelines:

Standard/Guideline	Included In Report
Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0	Level A Level AA
Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.1	Level A Level AA

## Terms

The terms used in the Conformance Level information are defined as follows:

- **Supports:** The functionality of the product has at least one method that meets the criterion without known defects or meets with equivalent facilitation.
- **Partially Supports:** Some functionality of the product does not meet the criterion.
- **Does Not Support:** The majority of product functionality does not meet the criterion.
- **Not Applicable:** The criterion is not relevant to the product.

## WCAG 2.x Report

Note: When reporting on conformance with the WCAG 2.x Success Criteria, they are scoped for full pages, complete processes, and accessibility-supported ways of using technology as documented in the [WCAG 2.0 Conformance Requirements](#).

**Table 1: Success Criteria, Level A**

Notes:

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
<a href="#">1.1.1 Non-text Content</a> (Level A)	Supports	
<a href="#">1.2.1 Audio-only and Video-only (Prerecorded)</a> (Level A)	Supports	
<a href="#">1.2.2 Captions (Prerecorded)</a> (Level A)	Supports	
<a href="#">1.2.3 Audio Description or Media Alternative (Prerecorded)</a> (Level A)	Supports	
<a href="#">1.3.1 Info and Relationships</a> (Level A)	Supports	
<a href="#">1.3.2 Meaningful Sequence</a> (Level A)	Supports	
<a href="#">1.3.3 Sensory Characteristics</a> (Level A)	Supports	
<a href="#">1.4.1 Use of Color</a> (Level A)	Supports	
<a href="#">1.4.2 Audio Control</a> (Level A)	Supports	
<a href="#">2.1.1 Keyboard</a> (Level A)	Partially Supports	The Timeline visualization cannot be interacted with by keyboard, only by mouse. Otherwise, keyboard interactions are supported for the entire interface.
<a href="#">2.1.2 No Keyboard Trap</a> (Level A)	Supports	
<a href="#">2.1.4 Character Key Shortcuts</a> (Level A 2.1 only)	Supports	No printable characters are used in interface-defined keyboard shortcuts.
<a href="#">2.2.1 Timing Adjustable</a> (Level A)	Supports	

<a href="#">2.2.2 Pause, Stop, Hide</a> (Level A)	Does Not Support	When the full text of a document is loading, an animation is shown which cannot be controlled by the user. There is no other automatically-moving content.
<a href="#">2.3.1 Three Flashes or Below Threshold</a> (Level A)	Supports	The animation described above has low contrast with the surrounding page.
<a href="#">2.4.1 Bypass Blocks</a> (Level A)	Supports	Skip navigation to the WWO results list is available. Headings and page landmarks/regions are also used.
<a href="#">2.4.2 Page Titled</a> (Level A)	Supports	
<a href="#">2.4.3 Focus Order</a> (Level A)	Supports	
<a href="#">2.4.4 Link Purpose (In Context)</a> (Level A)	Supports	
<a href="#">2.5.1 Pointer Gestures</a> (Level A 2.1 only)	Supports	
<a href="#">2.5.2 Pointer Cancellation</a> (Level A 2.1 only)	Supports	WWO defines only “click” events rather than mouse-specific ones.
<a href="#">2.5.3 Label in Name</a> (Level A 2.1 only)	Does Not Support	Accessible labels do not always contain the visible text of the interactive element.
<a href="#">2.5.4 Motion Actuation</a> (Level A 2.1 only)	Supports	
<a href="#">3.1.1 Language of Page</a> (Level A)	Supports	
<a href="#">3.2.1 On Focus</a> (Level A)	Supports	
<a href="#">3.2.2 On Input</a> (Level A)	Supports	
<a href="#">3.3.1 Error Identification</a> (Level A)	Supports	Forms do not have data constraints.

<a href="#">3.3.2 Labels or Instructions</a> (Level A)	Partially Supports	The basic search text field does not have a visual text label. Other interactive elements do.
<a href="#">4.1.1 Parsing</a> (Level A)	Does Not Support	Our web content is defined as XHTML to be validated against the XHTML 1.0 Transitional DTD, but that content includes invalid attributes belonging to the HTML5 specification (such as “aria-*” and “role”).
<a href="#">4.1.2 Name, Role, Value</a> (Level A)	Supports	

## Table 2: Success Criteria, Level AA

Notes:

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
<a href="#">1.2.4 Captions (Live)</a> (Level AA)	Supports	
<a href="#">1.2.5 Audio Description (Prerecorded)</a> (Level AA)	Supports	
<a href="#">1.3.4 Orientation</a> (Level AA 2.1 only)	Does Not Support	Portrait orientation is not currently supported.
<a href="#">1.3.5 Identify Input Purpose</a> (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	
<a href="#">1.4.3 Contrast (Minimum)</a> (Level AA)	Supports	WWO aims for a text contrast ratio of at least 5:1.
<a href="#">1.4.4 Resize text</a> (Level AA)	Supports	
<a href="#">1.4.5 Images of Text</a> (Level AA)	Supports	Text is used to convey information rather than images of text.
<a href="#">1.4.10 Reflow</a> (Level AA 2.1 only)	Partially Supports	While use of the horizontal scrollbar is avoided, and

		content does re-flow to fit the window, WWO loses some functionality at smaller screen sizes.
<a href="#">1.4.11 Non-text Contrast</a> (Level AA 2.1 only)	Partially Supports	Icon images currently have a contrast of only about 2.5:1. A majority of interaction state indicators have contrasts of 4.06:1 and higher. Tested with WebAIM's Contrast Checker.
<a href="#">1.4.12 Text Spacing</a> (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	Tested with the "Text Spacing" bookmarklet.
<a href="#">1.4.13 Content on Hover or Focus</a> (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	
<a href="#">2.4.5 Multiple Ways</a> (Level AA)	Supports	
<a href="#">2.4.6 Headings and Labels</a> (Level AA)	Supports	
<a href="#">2.4.7 Focus Visible</a> (Level AA)	Supports	
<a href="#">3.1.2 Language of Parts</a> (Level AA)	Supports	
<a href="#">3.2.3 Consistent Navigation</a> (Level AA)	Supports	
<a href="#">3.2.4 Consistent Identification</a> (Level AA)	Supports	
<a href="#">3.3.3 Error Suggestion</a> (Level AA)	Supports	
<a href="#">3.3.4 Error Prevention (Legal, Financial, Data)</a> (Level AA)	Supports	
<a href="#">4.1.3 Status Messages</a> (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	No status messages are used.