You can help us fix it:
Learning New Skills
at the Philadelphia WikiSalon

WikiConference North America + Mapping USA/OpenStreetMap US 2022
Friday, November 11, 2022
Welcome to WikiSalon

- **Hosts:** Mary Mark Ockerbloom & Doreva Belfiore
- A skills-oriented monthly session, with
  - Short (@10 minute) demonstrations of skills
  - Work sessions for questions and answers
  - Guest speakers on topics of interest
  - Demonstration videos and slides on Commons

- **Everyone is welcome.**
  - Learn about Wikipedia, Wikidata & Commons
  - Ask questions
  - Share what you’re doing
  - Get feedback and support

### Philadelphia WikiSalon

**You too can "EDIT"!**

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Who we are:

• Pre-pandemic in-person events at the Science History Institute were re-visioned to create the online Philadelphia WikiSalon.

• We identified the learning of specific skills as something that would provide ongoing value to attendees.

• We hope to foster a supportive community where people can progressively build skills & engage with Wikipedia projects.

• Who we are reflects our beginnings. Many of our regulars are librarians, archivists, or professors who are interested in digital humanities and the sciences. Our tasks and topics often focus on these areas, but you don't need to be a scientist or librarian to attend.

• Everyone is welcome.

Reatha Clark King, Chemist
National Bureau of Standards
You can help us fix it!

• Everyone is welcome to attend the monthly WikiSalon, regardless of your skill level.
• Sign up for our monthly announcements.
• View our demonstrations.
• Learn to fix the problems you see on Wikipedia.
• You can also report issues in person or via a Google Doc for WikiSalon organizers to assess and bring to the Salon for practice.
• If something is wrong on Wikipedia, you can help us fix it!
Demonstrations

• Concise, easy to follow lessons for single tasks (e.g. add a citation)
• No-frills presentation format: video plus downloadable PDF containing concrete examples
• Topics from Wikipedia, Wikidata & Commons
• Content appropriate for a wide range of skill levels in editing Wikipedia projects

Philadelphia WikiSalon Demonstration Archive

Release Rights – (Public Domain Image)

Adding a Public Domain Photo to Wikimedia Commons
Support for Open access

• Our instructional content is available on Wikimedia Commons.

• Our demonstrations include topics relevant to open access such as how to locate and use Creative Commons licensed and Public Domain content.

• At practice sessions we can help you with copyright research questions about locating out of copyright content from the United States.
Support for editors

• Recognizing editors’ contributions

• Robust Q&A with topics of interest to Wikipedia editors encompassing a wide range of expertise

• Personalized attention for questions and concerns, especially newer editors

• Friendly, welcoming community of practice that encourages experimentation, skill-building and camaraderie

• Connecting editors to librarians, archivists, databases, tools and information resources

• Connecting editors to more sources for learning and collaboration (Wikimedia chapters, conferences, edit-a-thons, events)

*Concrete, Steel, and Sky* by Roswell Weidner, 1958

Roswell Weidner
Connections

• Guest speakers on topics of interest, e.g.
  • *Introduction to the Wikipedia Library*
    • Sam Walton, Wikipedia Library Team
    • September 11, 2021
  • *ORES ratings: What do they mean?*
    • Aiko Chou, ORES Development Team
    • Upcoming January 14, 2023

• Collaborating with groups & events:
  • WikiConference North America
  • Art + Feminism

• Add your events to our event calendar.
We hope to see you at WikiSalon!

Mary Mark Ockerbloom & Doreva Belfiore


November 12, December 10, 2022; January 14, 2023