



Wikipedia Editathon: How to Guide

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What is the AAPB?



Mission

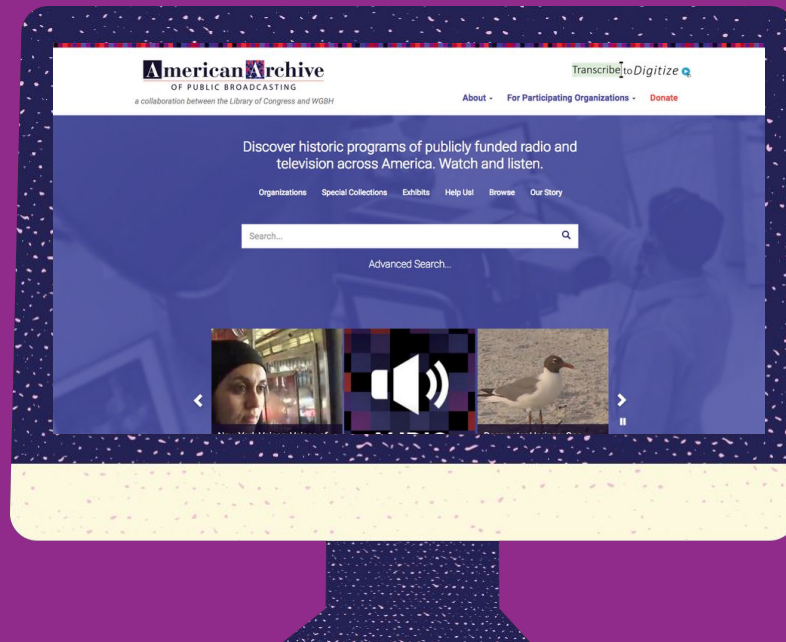


A collaboration between the **Library of Congress** and **WGBH Educational Foundation** to coordinate a national effort to **digitally preserve** and **make accessible** historically significant public radio and television programming that has aired over the past 70+ years.

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117,000+ historic programs | 57,000+ streaming online

Access the digital library at online at americanarchive.org



AAPB at a *Glance*

News and Public Affairs Programs

Compare how national and international events have shaped local communities from the late 1940s to 2019

Unedited and Raw Interviews

Eyewitnesses of historic events, authors, and historians

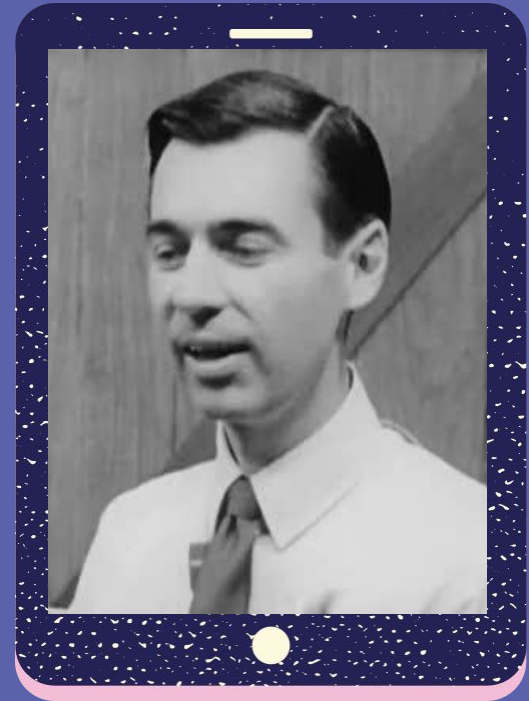
Live Coverage

From latter half of the 20th century through the present

Cultural Programming

Programming by, for, and about local communities

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"Creative Person; 70; Fred Rogers." 1967-10-08. WQED

Curated Exhibits

- Selected recordings that focus on themes, topics, and events of cultural and historical significance.
- Contextualize digitized primary and secondary source public television and radio materials.

Check out:

- *Televising Black Politics in the Black Power Era: Black Journal and Soul!*
- *Voices from the Southern Civil Rights Movement*
- *"Gavel-to-Gavel": The Watergate Scandal and Public Television*
- *Climate Change Conversations: Causes, Impacts, Solutions*
- And more!

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Special Collections

Over 50 individual collections are highlighted, sharing a specific series, or community of voices that would otherwise not be as obvious in a general search.

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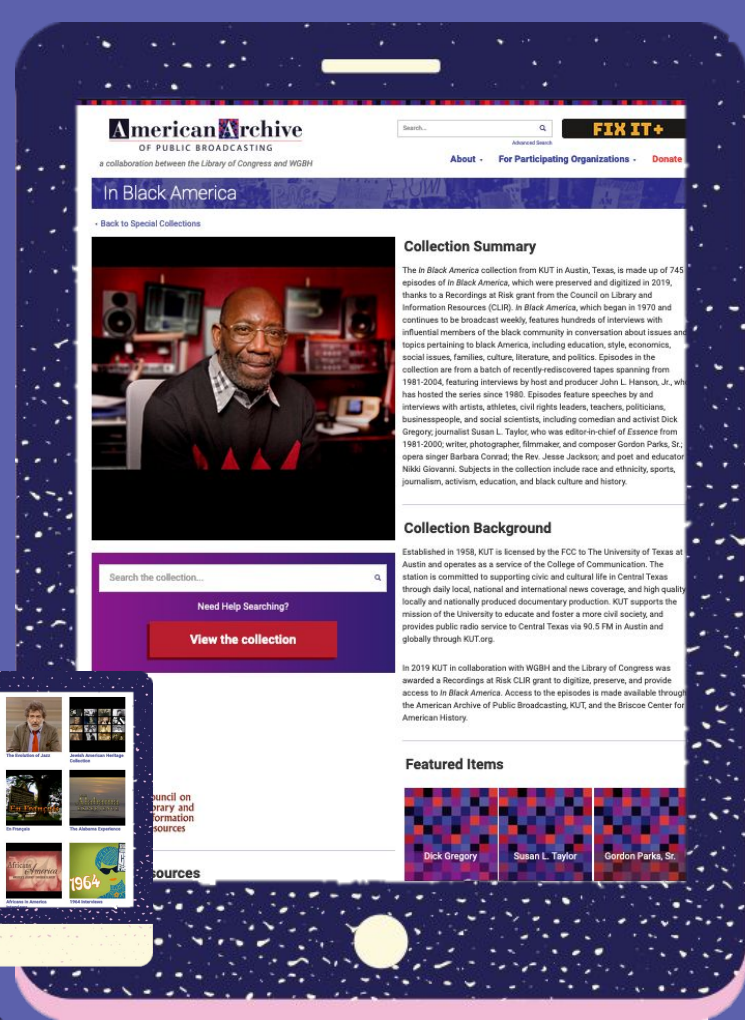
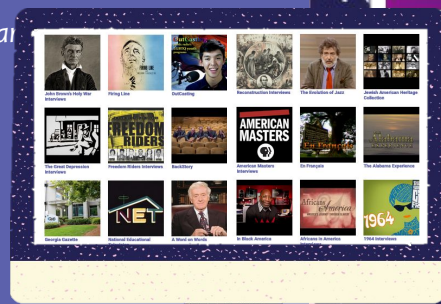
Series *PBS NewsHour, Say Brother, Woman, Vegetable Soup*

Documentaries *Vision Maker Media, National Educational Television, John Beyer*

Raw interviews *Eyes on the Prize, American Burns' The Civil War*

Topical *Jewish American Heritage, LGBT+*

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Why are Wikipedia Editathons important?

Because you help:

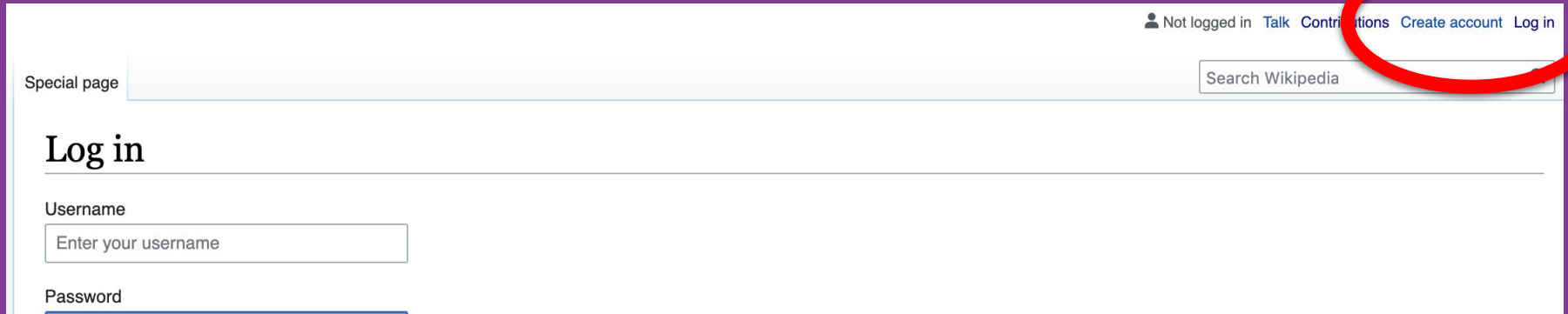
- *Provide a verifiable source to reference information.*
- *Strengthen the open source articles on Wikipedia with vetted, historically significant public radio and television content created by public broadcasting throughout the past 70+ years*



How to: Create a User Page on Wikipedia

Step 1: Log in to Wikipedia

1. Go to **en.wikipedia.org**
2. Create username or log in (top right)



Not logged in [Talk](#) [Contributions](#) [Create account](#) [Log in](#)

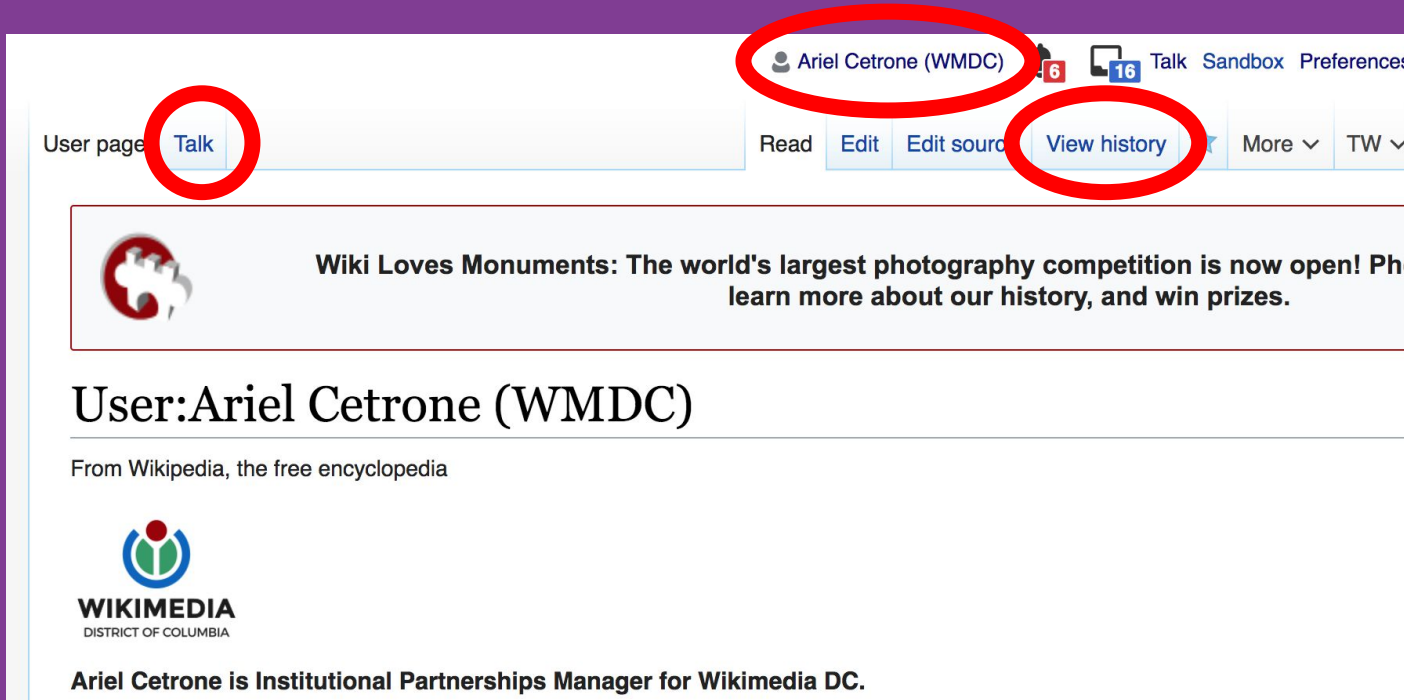
Special page

Log in

Username

Password

- All users/editors are assigned a user page
- Access user page by selecting your username (top right)




[User page](#) [Talk](#) [Read](#) [Edit](#) [Edit source](#) [View history](#) [More](#) [TW](#)

Wiki Loves Monuments: The world's largest photography competition is now open! Photographers, learn more about our history, and win prizes.

User:Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia


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 DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Ariel Cetrone is Institutional Partnerships Manager for Wikimedia DC.

Step 2: Set Editing Preferences to Activate Visual Editor

1. Open the Wiki event page or any Wikipedia article
2. Select 'Preferences' (Top right of the page)



The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of a Wikipedia page. The user is logged in as 'Ariel Cetrone (WMDC)'. The navigation bar includes links for 'Talk', 'Sandbox', 'Preferences', 'Beta', 'Watchlist', 'Contributions', and 'Log out'. The 'Preferences' link is circled in red. Below the navigation bar, the page title is 'Wikipedia:Meetup/DC/American Archive of Public Broadcasting: Wikipedia Edit-a-Thon Series 2020'. The page content includes a blue banner with the text '@WikimediaDC' and a 'Shortcut WMDC-AAPB2020' button.

3. Select the 'Editing' tab
4. Scroll down to 'Editor'
5. Select 'Show me Both Editor Tabs' from the 'Editing Mode' dropdown menu
6. Save (Bottom left)

Preferences

For information about the settings on this page, see [Help:Preferences](#).

[User profile](#) | [Appearance](#) | **[Editing](#)** | [Recent changes](#) | [Watchlist](#) | [Search](#) | [Gadgets](#) | [Beta features](#) | [Notifications](#)

— General options —

- Enable section editing by right clicking on section titles
- Edit pages on double click
- Enable showing appreciation for other users with the WikiLove tab
- Enable parser migration tool

This adds a sidebar link giving access to a tool for migrating page text to new versions of the MediaWiki parser.

— Editor —

Edit area font style: Monospaced font ▾

- Prompt me when entering a blank edit summary
- Warn me when I leave an edit page with unsaved changes
- Show **edit toolbar** (requires JavaScript)
- Enable enhanced editing toolbar
- Temporarily disable the visual editor while it is in beta

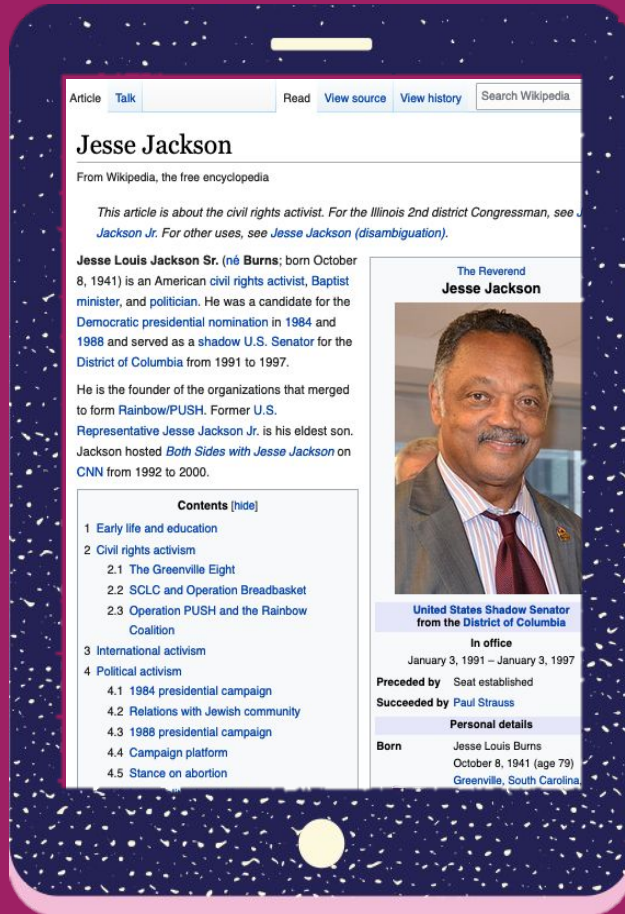
Editing mode: Show me both editor tabs ▾

Step 3: Editing with Visual Editor = What you see is what you get (mostly)



1. Locate article
2. Select 'Edit'
3. Unsure if you are in Visual Editor? Select the Pencil (red arrow), select 'Visual editing'
4. Edit as you would in a word processor

The screenshot shows the Wikipedia edit interface for the article "WGBH-TV". A yellow callout box labeled "Formatting buttons" points to the top toolbar containing options like Paragraph, Bold, Italic, Link, and Insert. Another yellow callout box labeled "Edit buttons" points to the "Edit" and "Edit source" buttons, with a sub-note "Edit = Visual Editor, Edit Source = Code". A red circle highlights the edit mode selection menu, which includes "Visual editing" (selected) and "Source editing". The article content includes the title "WGBH-TV", a quality rating of "C (3.6)", and a note: "For the radio station, see WGBH (FM)." The page footer contains the text: "WGBH-TV, virtual channel 2 (VHF digital channel 5), is a primary Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) member television station licensed to Boston, Massachusetts, United States. It is the flagship property of the WGBH Educational Foundation, which also owns Boston's secondary PBS member..."



Which citation should I use?

In-line citation, external link or hyperlink?

In-line Citations are used to reference external sources that support verifiable statements in the main text of the Wikipedia article. These citations automatically create “references” or “notes” at the bottom of the article page based on the in-line citation source.

History [edit | edit source]

The **Federal Communications Commission** (FCC) originally awarded a construction permit to **Waltham**-based electronics company **Raytheon** to build a television station that would transmit on **VHF** channel 2 in Boston. Raytheon planned to launch a commercial television station using the call letters **WRTB-TV** (for "**R**aytheon **T**elevisi**B**roadcasting"). However, after some setbacks and the cancellation of the construction permit license, **WRTB** never made it on the air, paving the way for the FCC to allocate channel 2 for **non-commercial educational** use. **WGBH** subsequently applied for and received a license to operate on that channel. The **WGBH Educational Foundation** obtained initial start-up funds for **WGBH-TV** from the **Lincoln and Therese Filene Foundation**.^[1] It is also thought by legend that Raytheon pushed quietly for the FCC to assign **WGBH** the channel 2 license after it was unable to utilize it.^[citation needed]

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- ↑ "RabbitE". July 20, 20
- ↑ "Mobile". March 13,
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External Links are used to reference external, non-Wikipedia pages. The 'External Links' section is usually located at the bottom of the Wikipedia article, however, some articles may not have this section and can be added.

External Links [\[edit \]](#)

- Constitutional Minutes; Belle LaFollette: Womens Suffrage; 102. Boston, MA: PBS Wisconsin, American Archive of Public Broadcasting (WGBH and the Library of Congress), Boston, MA and Washington, DC. [↗](#)

Hyperlinked text is used for internal reference to other Wikipedia articles only. You can hyperlink within the main text of the article, as well as in the 'External Link' section.

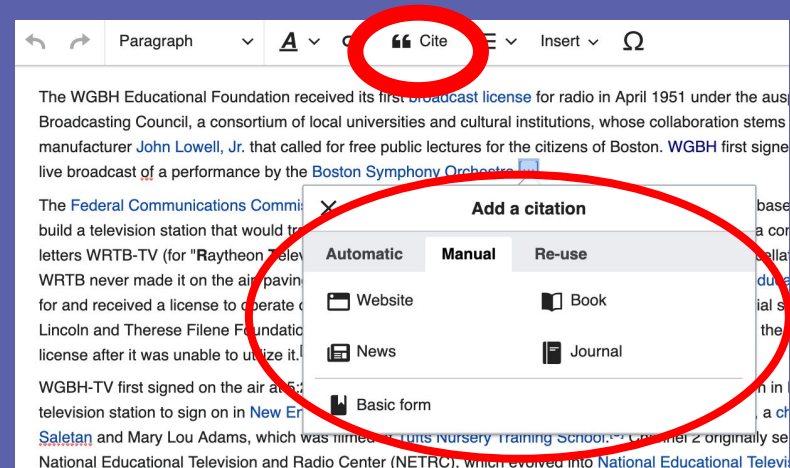
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How to: Create Citations

In-line citations, external links and hyperlinks

In-line Citations are used for main article text only:

1. After logging in to Wikipedia, click the 'edit' hyperlink next to the section of the article you would like to edit.
2. Place cursor in desired location of the main text, select 'Cite' in the edit bar above the text.
3. Follow prompts to automatically generate a citation based on the copied URL to the AAPB record page.
4. If you are done, select 'Publish Changes...'



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Record: The MacNeil/Lehrer Report: Election Aftermath - The Black Vote

Transcript

ROBERT MacNEIL: Good evening. Two days after the election there is still some doubt about the outcome of two big governors' races. In Illinois the counting is still incomplete in the cliffhanger between Democrat Adlai Stevenson III and Republican incumbent James Thompson. With thousands of ballots still uncounted, Stevenson today pulled to within 171 votes of Thompson out of more than seven million votes cast in California, where the governorship looked settled with a clear win by Republican George Deukmejian, Democrat Tom Bradley has still refused to concede defeat, and said today he was considering seeking a recount. Deukmejian's margin is less than 1% of the votes cast. The Bradley race attracted particular attention because he would have been the nation's first elected black governor. But race appears to have been a positive or negative factor in many contests, hurting some black candidates, not others, and a strong black vote clearly helping many white candidates, ironically including two former white senators...

This record is featured in "PBS NewsHour."

Transcript	Description
Series: The MacNeil/Lehrer Report	Credits
Episode: Election Aftermath - The Black Vote	AAPB Contributor Holdings
Producing Organization: NewsHour Productions	Citations
Contributing Organization: National Records and Archives Administration (Washington, District of Columbia)	
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Steps continue...

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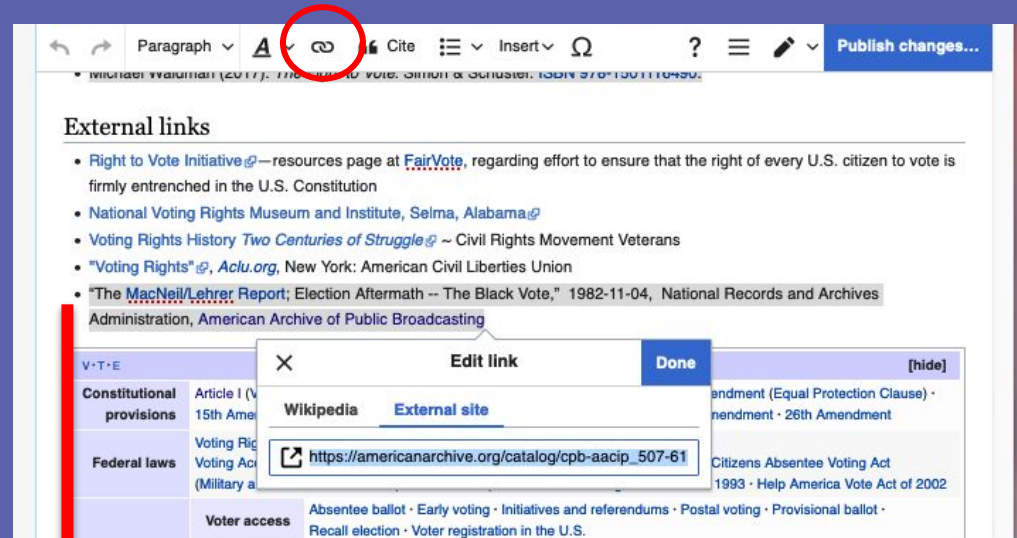
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7. Select 'Done' and 'Publish Changes...'



Internal Hyperlinks in the **External Links** section are used if you would like to include hyperlinks to the other Wikipedia articles for more information about the AAPB or original producers (when available).

- "The MacNeil/Lehrer Report; Election Aftermath -- The Black Vote," 1982-11-04, National Records and Archives Administration, American Archive of Public Broadcasting [e](#)

- Eddie Williams from the Joint Center for Political Studies is interviewed in this 1982 broadcast of the MacNeil/Lehrer Report, "Election Aftermath -- The Black Vote" in the American Archive of Public Broadcasting.

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Constitutional provisions	Article I (Voter Qualifications (Equal Protection Clause) · 14th Amendment · 26th Amendment		
Federal laws	Voting Rights Act of 1965 (Amending the Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act of 1984 (Military and Overseas Voter Help Act of 2001)		Voting Act
Voter access	Absentee ballot · Recall election · Voter registration in the U.S.		al ballot ·

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Wikipedia External site

Search: American Archive of Public Broadcasting

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Archive of radio and television public broadcast...

1. Follow steps 1-3 for citing 'External Links'
2. Edit the citation into a complete sentence. It's helpful to include special guests, the original producer, year of broadcast, and the 'American Archive of Public Broadcasting'.
3. Select 'Wikipedia' tab and choose the relevant Wikipedia page
4. Select 'Done' and 'Publish Changes...'

Using the AAPB Wikipedia Event Page



Navigate to the Event Page

Go to Wikipedia the following into the search bar:

WP: WMDC-AAPB2020

or go to

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:Meetup/DC/American_Archive_of_Public_Broadcasting:_Wikipedia_Edit-a-Thon_Series_2020

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