

# Bug 122

**Summary:** No alternative text for the image in the photo homepage  
**Product:** De Anza website  
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**Component:** UNOWNED  
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**Status:** CONFIRMED  
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**Severity:** minor  
**CC:** maypumphreymaryann@fhda.edu  
**Priority:** ---  
**Version:** unspecified  
**Hardware:** Macintosh  
**OS:** Mac OS  
**URL:** http://www.deanza.edu/photo/  
**Time tracking:**

Orig.	Est.	Actual	Hours	Hours Worked	Hours Left	%Complete	Gain
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	

  
**Attachments:** The image in the photo homepage has no alternative text.

Hsinjung Chan 2016-04-26 10:35:19 PDT

Description

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The image in the photo homepage has no alternative text.

1. Go to <http://www.deanza.edu/photo/>.
2. Right click on the image with three photos.
3. Choose "Inspect Element."
4. Look at the highlighted HTML code of this image.

**EXPECTED BEHAVIOR:**

An alternative text (alt=" ") should be included to represent this image for better web accessibility.

**ACTUAL BEHAVIOR:**

No alternative text is given to this image.

Mary Ann May-Pumphrey 2016-04-27 14:55:58 PDT

Comment 1

This one is a little "iffy." I've read that only images that have a non-visual function need the alt= attribute. Since a click on any one of these images serves only to enlarge the photo, there doesn't seem to be any non-visual function.

That said, I'm not familiar with the accessibility standards used by De Anza's web team, so I'll pass this one along to them for adjudication. You're certainly right that there's no alt= for those three photos.

Hsinjung Chan 2016-04-27 23:37:06 PDT

Comment 2

If I remember correctly from what I learned in CIS89A Web Page Development, every image is supposed to provide an alternative text, not just for web accessibility but also for situations whenever the image is broken or not displayed.

And I'm curious about the accessibility standards used by De Anza's web team too.

From our web master:

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1. Yes, photos with no other value than purely visual aesthetics should have an empty alt tag. This is a special case, however, as photography is the main subject of the pages and so I would recommend putting alt descriptions with the images.
2. This page is not under (Web Team) control so someone from the Photo dept will need to work on this.

<https://www.deanza.edu/photo/contact.html>

3. We aim for WCAG2-AA standards.

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