Part 1: Identifying Usability Problems



https://www.atlanticlibrary.org/

I chose this website because it is my local library system's site. Growing up, I used to visit this site every week to check if certain books were available at my library branch or if I needed to put something on hold.

Finding Problems

- Efficiency
 - It is hard to see the "Search Library Catalog" bar
 - There is a lot of information presented on the screen
 - This can avert attention away from what the user is looking for
 - There is also items that are pretty repetitive
 - Eg. multiple "Upcoming Events" sections
- Learnability
 - There is a lot of information presented on the screen
 - This can make people confused when you see the site originally
 - It would take me a couple look thoughts to see the "Search Library Catalog" bar
- Memorability
 - Not very memorable
 - Website is pretty generic
- Conceptual Model
 - The amount of information is very overwhelming

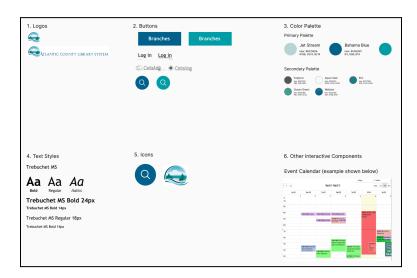
- Search bar off to the side is confusing
- Multiple search bars is also confusing

Accessibility Problems found through WAIVE:

After putting the link into WAVE, there were 21 errors, 75 alerts, and 8 contrast errors. After looking through the details of those errors, I fully agree with all of the errors and most of the alerts, especially the ones talking about empty links and redundant titles and text. I was also made aware of a lot of images and titles missing alternative text, which was very helpful.

Part 2: Visual Redesign

Visual Design Style Guide

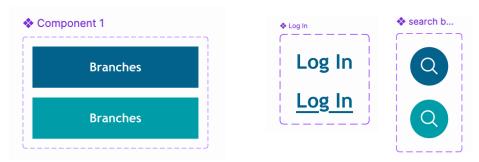


Mockups

For everything on the site

- Width for all elements 100%
- Flexbox layout, for simplicity and easy readability/learnability
- Homepage simplified for easy readability, changes include:
 - o kept color scheme, font, and important headers from or
 - o Removed 'home' header because logo is now responsive button
 - added log in to top for easy readability
 - combined the search bars into one and made it the focal point of the page
 - made an interactive calendar for events so they are all in one spot and can see availability very easily

Interactive components



1. Macbook Pro 16 in.



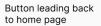
2. iPad Pro

For smaller than mac size

- Searchbar component and photo behind it becomes focal point of page and grows in screen %
- Text get smaller based on percentage of scale down



3. Iphone



iPhone 16 - 1

strip with headers that lead to different drop down menus and pages
• for each word,

 for each word dark blue changes to green when hovered

