A Guide to Posting NSFW Audios on AO3 (Archive of Our Own)

Posting to AO3 is easy and self-explanatory! Use this guide if you come across any sections of the UI that you don't understand while posting.

If you have more questions, **AO3 has additional guides here.**

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WHY POST TO AO3?

Reddit has banned [Rape] audios and the changes are rolling out through all the audio subreddits. [Rape] content was **more than 13% of all content posted to /r/GoneWildAudio.** We are in the process of being told by other subreddits that such content is no longer allowed, and are being told to delete our old content that includes these themes.

This isn't a decision that any of the moderators of the subreddit made and they have been consistent at expressing that this is not how they want things to go. **Please do not take this out on the mods of any individual subreddit**, as I'm sure this is just as painful for them as it is for any of us.

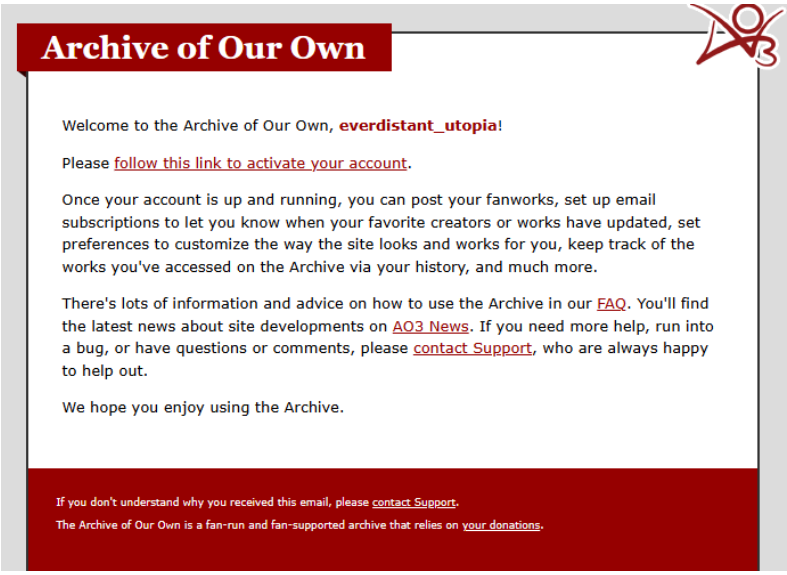
This is fictional content created and consumed by consenting adults, and it absolutely has a right to exist and be shared. AO3 is a site primarily dedicated to fanfic, but has historically allowed both NSFW audio scripts and audio posts in the form of podfics. **AO3 has always allowed content that features Non-Con and Rape**, and is run by the OTW, a nonprofit organization with a mission of preserving fan history and culture. This guide will detail the pros and cons of posting here, but overall I believe it's the best **immediate** solution we have.

In a perfect world, there would probably exist a dedicated and independent place to share this kind of content, but right now, that's not a solution we have on hand.

1. MAKING AN ACCOUNT

You will need to request an invite here:
https://archiveofourown.org/invite_requests

You will receive an email that looks something like this.



Mine took a few days to come in, so some patience may be needed here.

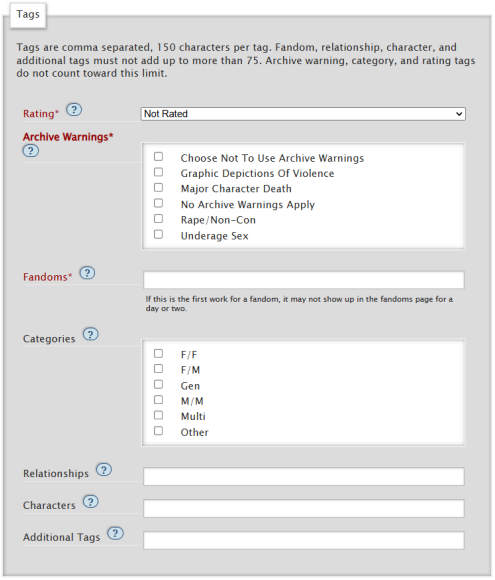
Apparently, there is a way for existing users to generate invite links. This is **currently unavailable** since they just got back from a long maintenance/outage (comically bad timing), but I will be doing what I can to help provide invite links if people want them if I can get it to work.

2. HOW TO POST

At the top of the screen on the website, there is a button that says “**Post**”. Very straightforward :) Click it and select “**New Work**”.

I know it looks like there are a ton of options here. Don’t be intimidated! It’s simple and robust, and I’m here to help you get through it.

2a. TAGS SECTION



Rating (Mandatory) - for any NSFW audio, this should be “**Explicit**”. You can click the question mark if you need any clarification, but **all porn content should be labeled as explicit.**

Archive Warnings (Mandatory) - This is just like **how we had required tags** on Reddit, but they are listed out here for you to pick from. **If you don't need to use any**, e.g. for a vanilla audio, you can select “**No Archive Warnings Apply**”.

Fandoms (Mandatory) - If your work is based on an existing property, you can list it here. E.g. “Star Wars” or “Final Fantasy”. Otherwise, **you can enter “Original Work”**. This is a mandatory field.

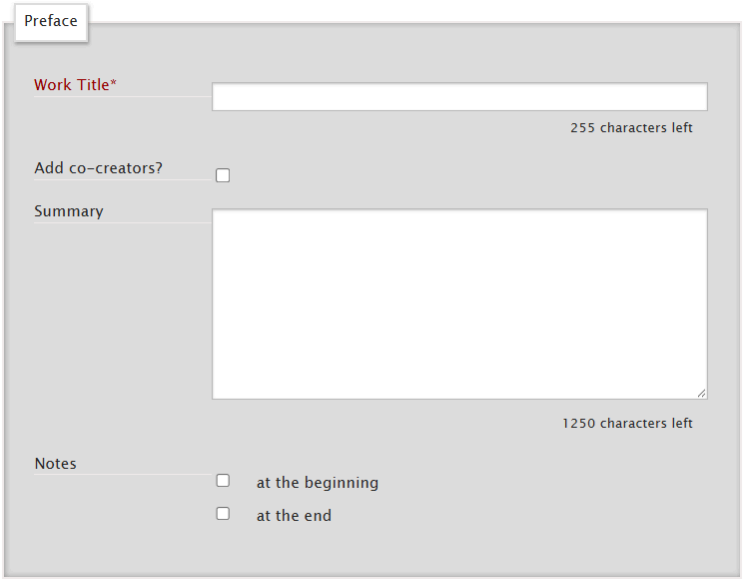
Categories - AO3’s pre-existing options for tagging the genders of the characters. There are other places you can put your own tags like [M4F], [F4M], [NB4NB], etc. later if you want to.

Relationships - An optional field that I **probably won't need to use for most audios**. This is to show what characters are together in a work, e.g. something like “Cinderella/Prince Charming” or “Kylo Ren/Rey”.

Characters - An optional field that I **probably won't need to use for most audios**. This shows characters that appear in a work, e.g. if I have an audio about Leon Kennedy from Resident Evil and there is a cameo appearance from Ingrid Hunnigan in the background, I could tag her here.

Additional Tags - this is where I would put the **rest of my tags as they would have appeared in my Reddit post**. I haven't been using brackets, since this is a dedicated, searchable tag system that doesn't rely on title text. I think it's worth browsing the site a bit to learn the way people tag things on AO3, but I've asked a few people and the general consensus has been “everyone does things their own way,” not entirely different from how we were posting to Reddit. Some other tags you can use for include “/r/GoneWildAudio” for audios or “Screenplay/Script Format” for scripts.

2b. PREFACE SECTION



Work Title - The **title of your audio**. I'm going to try prefacing my titles with [Audio] and my gender tags but leave my tags in the tags section. **For example**,

[Audio] [M4F] Convincing the Shy and Flustered Farmhand to Fuck You Rough

Add Co-Creators? - You can use this section to tag other people that contributed to your post, but it is limited to other registered AO3 users. **I would recommend using the "Work Text" section** to directly credit collaborators.

Summary - Summary text or intro text to give people an idea of what your post is about. This is optional but many people are using Reddit posts similarly already to include a synopsis or a quote from their audio. E.g.

Notes - Notes that appear before or after your post's body text. This is **space that you can make your own**, but **here's an example** of what I'm using it for:

[M4F] Blackmailed, Betrayed, and Broken by Your Professor [MDom] [Rape] [Dark] [Student/Professor] [Forced Video "Consent"] [Facefucking] [Pinned Down] [Sex Over the Desk] [Rough] [Growling] [Laughing] [Struggling] [Clothes Ripping] [Forcing You to Beg]

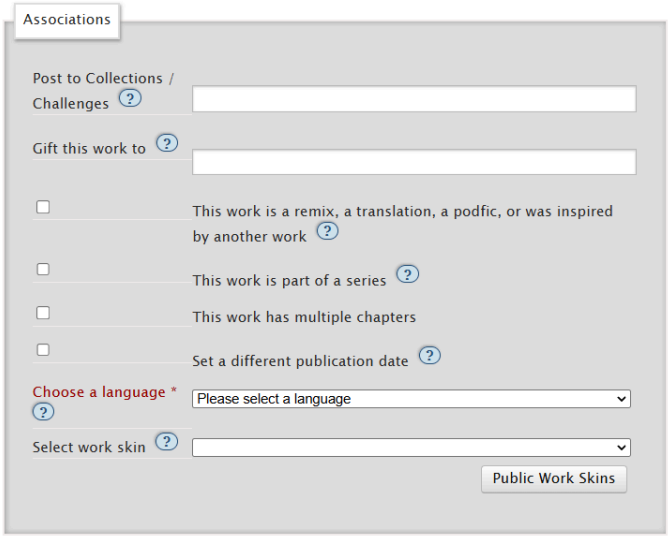
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As you can see, I've included the **full title and tags of my post**, a note showing when I originally posted it to Reddit (since it's important to me :P) and **a note saying I don't allow my work to be used in genAI**.

I like using the "at the end" notes to **detail my creative process** or talk about the audio in general. I would normally do this in my Reddit post or in the comments.

2c. ASSOCIATIONS SECTION



Post to Collections/Challenges - This is like how on some subreddits, there are community events, exchanges, and challenges. Most audios wouldn't need an entry here, but you could hypothetically look into making “collections” of your own audios. This could also be useful for megacollabs. A single work can be in multiple collections!

Gift this Work To - You can use this section to gift or dedicate your audio to someone but I don't think it's necessary for most posts. It would be very useful for

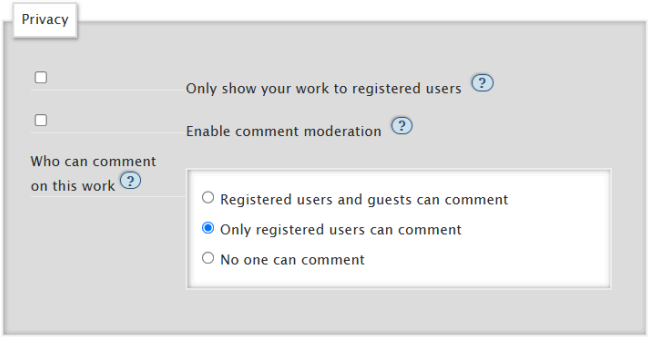
This work is a remix, a translation, a podfic, or was inspired by another work - We could use this space to credit scriptwriters, but absolutely make sure a scriptwriter is okay with you posting work here first, and I still recommend finding multiple places and ways to credit them.

This work is part of a series - Useful to check for independent works that are related to other works. If you have audios with sequels that you want to post separately, this might be the way to do it.

This work has multiple chapters - Might be useful if you want your audio to be divided into segments. I've seen people do some VERY cool things with CYOA on AO3 with chapters.

Select Work Skin - This affects the present appearance of your post. I wouldn't use this unless you know what you're doing with CSS or you reaaaally like Homestuck or Undertale.

2d. PRIVACY SECTION



Only Show Your Work to Registered Users - Require people to have a registered AO3 account to see your post. I generally will leave this unchecked.

Enable comment moderation - Require any comments to be approved by you before they're publicly viewable.

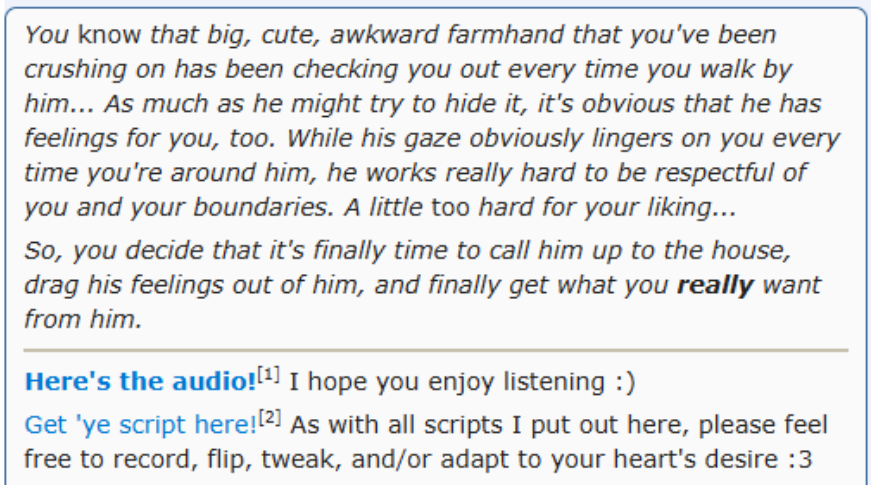
Who can comment on this work - Filter who is allowed to leave comments on your post.

2e. WORK TEXT SECTION

This is where the body of your post goes! You can preview your post by clicking “Preview” below.

Using the **Rich Text** option, you can literally COPY/PASTE FROM YOUR REDDIT POSTS INTO YOUR AO3 POST!

I can copy/paste my text directly from my reddit post…



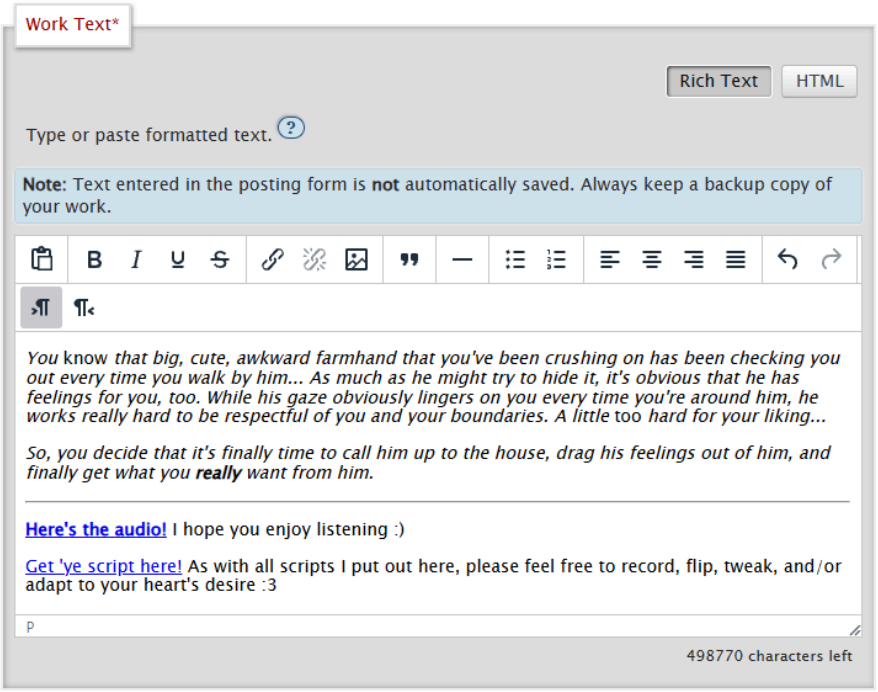
You know that big, cute, awkward farmhand that you've been crushing on has been checking you out every time you walk by him... As much as he might try to hide it, it's obvious that he has feelings for you, too. While his gaze obviously lingers on you every time you're around him, he works really hard to be respectful of you and your boundaries. A little too hard for your liking...

*So, you decide that it's finally time to call him up to the house, drag his feelings out of him, and finally get what you **really** want from him.*

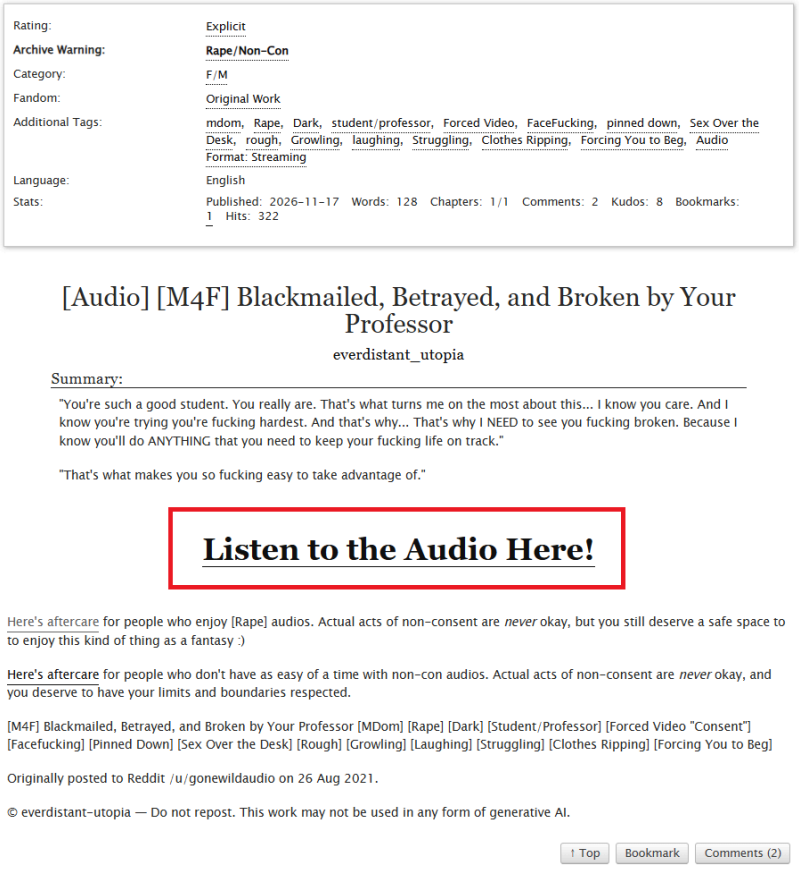
Here's the audio![1] I hope you enjoy listening :)

Get 'ye script here![2] As with all scripts I put out here, please feel free to record, flip, tweak, and/or adapt to your heart's desire :3

Directly into the **Rich Text** editor!



Setting that aside, **I recommend putting a big text in your post that shows where the viewer can find your audio**.



Rating:	Explicit
Archive Warning:	**Rape/Non-Con**
Category:	F/M
Fandom:	Original Work
Additional Tags:	mdom, Rape, Dark, student/professor, Forced Video, FaceFucking, pinned down, Sex Over the Desk, rough, Growling, laughing, Struggling, Clothes Ripping, Forcing You to Beg, Audio Format: Streaming
Language:	English
Stats:	Published: 2026-11-17 Words: 128 Chapters: 1/1 Comments: 2 Kudos: 8 Bookmarks: 1 Hits: 322

[Audio] [M4F] Blackmailed, Betrayed, and Broken by Your Professor

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Summary:

"You're such a good student. You really are. That's what turns me on the most about this... I know you care. And I know you're trying you're fucking hardest. And that's why... That's why I NEED to see you fucking broken. Because I know you'll do ANYTHING that you need to keep your fucking life on track."

"That's what makes you so fucking easy to take advantage of."

Listen to the Audio Here!

Here's aftercare for people who enjoy [Rape] audios. Actual acts of non-consent are *never* okay, but you still deserve a safe space to to enjoy this kind of thing as a fantasy :)

Here's aftercare for people who don't have as easy of a time with non-con audios. Actual acts of non-consent are *never* okay, and you deserve to have your limits and boundaries respected.

[M4F] Blackmailed, Betrayed, and Broken by Your Professor [MDom] [Rape] [Dark] [Student/Professor] [Forced Video "Consent"] [Facefucking] [Pinned Down] [Sex Over the Desk] [Rough] [Growling] [Laughing] [Struggling] [Clothes Ripping] [Forcing You to Beg]

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For example, in the HTML editor, you can include:

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<h1><b><a href="YOUR SOUNDGASM/HOTAUDIO/OTHER AUDIO HOST LINK HERE" rel="nofollow">Listen to the Audio Here!</a></b></h1>
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Just so it's clear, this is what mine looks like:

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<h1><b><a href="https://soundgasm.net/u/everdistant_utopia/M4F-Convincing-the-Shy-and-Flustered-Farmhand-to-Fuck-You-Rough-Awkward-Nervous-Romance-Mutual-Confession-Kissing-Consent-Checks-Clothes-Ripping-Size-Difference-Fingering-Switch-Growling-Rough-Sex-Breeding-Gentle-Aftercare" rel="nofollow">Listen to the Audio Here!</a></b></h1>
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DO NOT use your AO3 posts to advertise for any paid content for other sites.

AO3 has a strict rule against commercial activity, including advertising and solicitation.

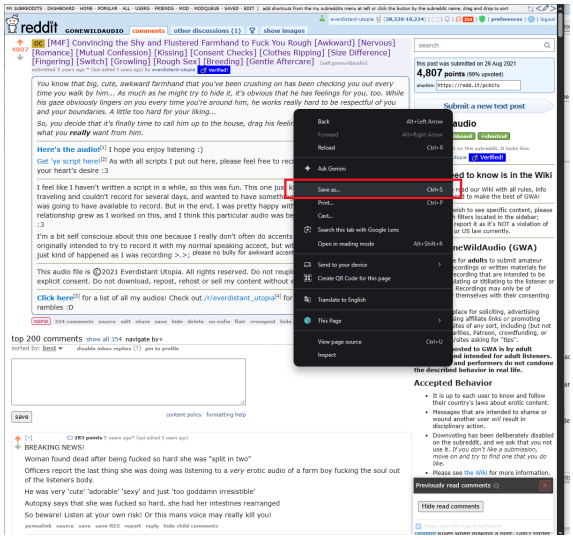
3. Backing Up Your Reddit Posts

OPTION 1: /u/Isapeth has written an amazing guide on using the **Reddit Data Request feature**. [You can find the guide **here!**]

OPTION 2: Manual Backup

As of writing this guide, I've been waiting for my data request for ten days and am too scared to wait too much longer.

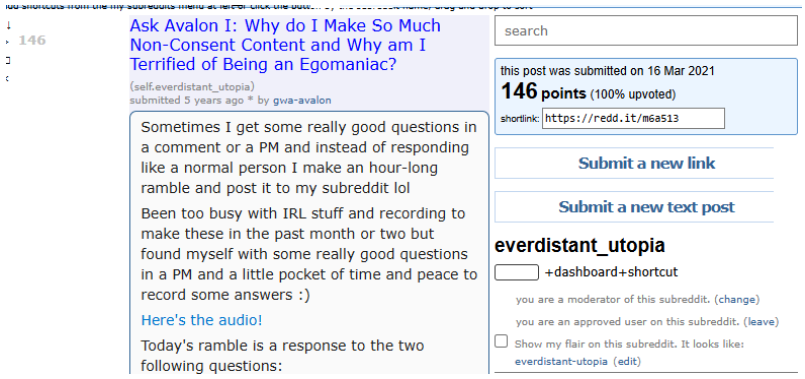
By right clicking on the post webpage and hitting "Save as…" I can download an HTML backup of my post.







I can then open those files back up in my internet browser (Chrome, in my case)



It should (hopefully) save the **number of upvotes, the post text, and even the comments**. From my end, I'm even able to hit "edit post" to pull my unformatted text out if I want to. This should hopefully make it easy to re-share your content elsewhere.

4. PROS AND CONS

I don't believe this is a perfect or permanent solution for finding a home for Non-Con audios, but it's where I'm choosing to cross-post for now. Here's why I chose it and some of the drawbacks that I'm aware of.

PROS

- They have a **built in warning tag and filter system for Rape/Non-Con posts**. They've shown that it has always been an integral part of their content base and there is **significantly lower risk of it being banned here** than most alternatives
- They have a tag for “Original Work,” **so posts that aren't “fanfic” works are already welcome**
- **They have a comment system**, so you can continue to receive feedback on your work. You can also manage and moderate your own comment section.
- You can **edit the titles and tags of your posts after submitting them**, and you can use HTML to format your posts
- There is an option to use a built in audio embed player, but you'll have to find an external host for your audios. I don't really think this is the best option, but it's worth noting. My suggestion is to use this just like we used Reddit, e.g. by saying “Here's a link to soundgasm/hotaudio/whyp.it”
- You can **copy/paste links directly from your reddit posts** without having to reformat them!
- It’s easy to type “arch” into your browser with one hand and let the autocomplete fill the URL, for cases where you really need to type with one hand…

CONS (and why I think they’re manageable)

- No “discoverability” or “algorithm” factor. **This is honestly a “pro” for the site overall and should be respected**, but it means that you'll have to do a bit more legwork on your own to promote your content. In a perfect world, we'd have a dedicated space for audios where people can find audiences to share their work with. But right now I believe **this is manageable as a means of “survival over growth.”**
- There may bit of a **learning curve** - their **post options are way more robust than Reddit’s**, with a dedicated tagging system for characters, relationships, and warnings. In the end, I also think this is a good thing, but it might take a bit of adjusting.
- AO3 apparently has been dealing with their own problems around **AI scraping**, but the community has been super against it and is fighting it however they're able. This is a risk that affects audios significantly less since they're usually hosted externally on hosts like soundgasm. It still affects scripts, but I also think **this is the case no matter *where* we post right now**. Therefore, I don't think it's a deal-breaker.
- **AO3 is NOT an explicitly NSFW site**. The site's content and culture have always included NSFW work, and **there are built in tags and filters**, but at the end of the day it is our responsibility to learn these systems and follow their rules.

Updates/Changelog
11/17 PM Updated formatting, added screenshots, added table of contents
11/17 AM Text drafted

Appendix
As of 11/17/2026, over 13% of posts found by GWASI on /r/gonewildaudio had the [Rape] tag.

