

Contributors

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HELENA WHITBREAD, MBE, is a writer, born in Halifax, West Yorkshire in 1931, whose education was cut short at the age of fourteen, before, in 1965, she gained a BSc (Hons) at Bradford University and a PGCE in Further Education. Following the discovery of the journals of Anne Lister in 1983, she spent five years transcribing extracts from them. The edited extracts have been published in her two books, *The Secret Diaries of Miss Anne Lister* (2010) and *The Secret Diaries of Miss Anne Lister, vol. 11: No Priest but Love* (2020). She has been employed as a consultant on the following television productions: *A Skirt through History*, episode one (BBC; 1994), the documentary *Revealing Anne Lister* (BBC; 2010) and the first season of *Gentleman Jack* (BBC/HBO; 2019). She was also on *The One Show* (2019), a live BBC TV interview with Suranne Jones and Sophie Rundle. She is presently working on a biography of Anne Lister's early life (1791–1826). In January 2023 she was awarded an Honorary D.Litt. from the University of Sheffield for her research and publications on Anne Lister's diaries. A short biographical film of her life entitled 'The Helena Whitbread Story', filmed at Shibden Hall, Halifax in November 2022, was released on April 3rd 2023.