

# Introduction to iMovie:

## Participant's Guide

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## **Background**

**In this fun hands-on workshop, you will create your first video with easy to use iMovie. You will capture digital video footage, cut segments, add photos, text and transitions. Considerations for recording and playback will be discussed. No prior digital editing experience is necessary.**

### **Required skills**

The following skills are required before participating in the series:

- Knowledge of the Windows or Mac operating system.
- Knowledge of keyboarding
- Ability to use a mouse

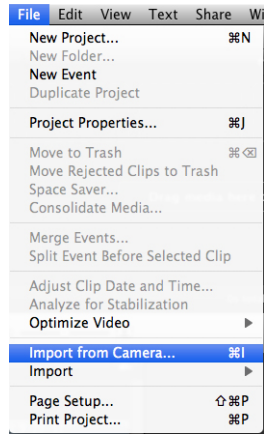
### **Agenda**

- Importing Video Clips
- Inserting Photo, Text, and Music
- Creating Transitions
- Basic Editing
- Exporting the video and explanation of File Formats

### **Importing into iMovie**

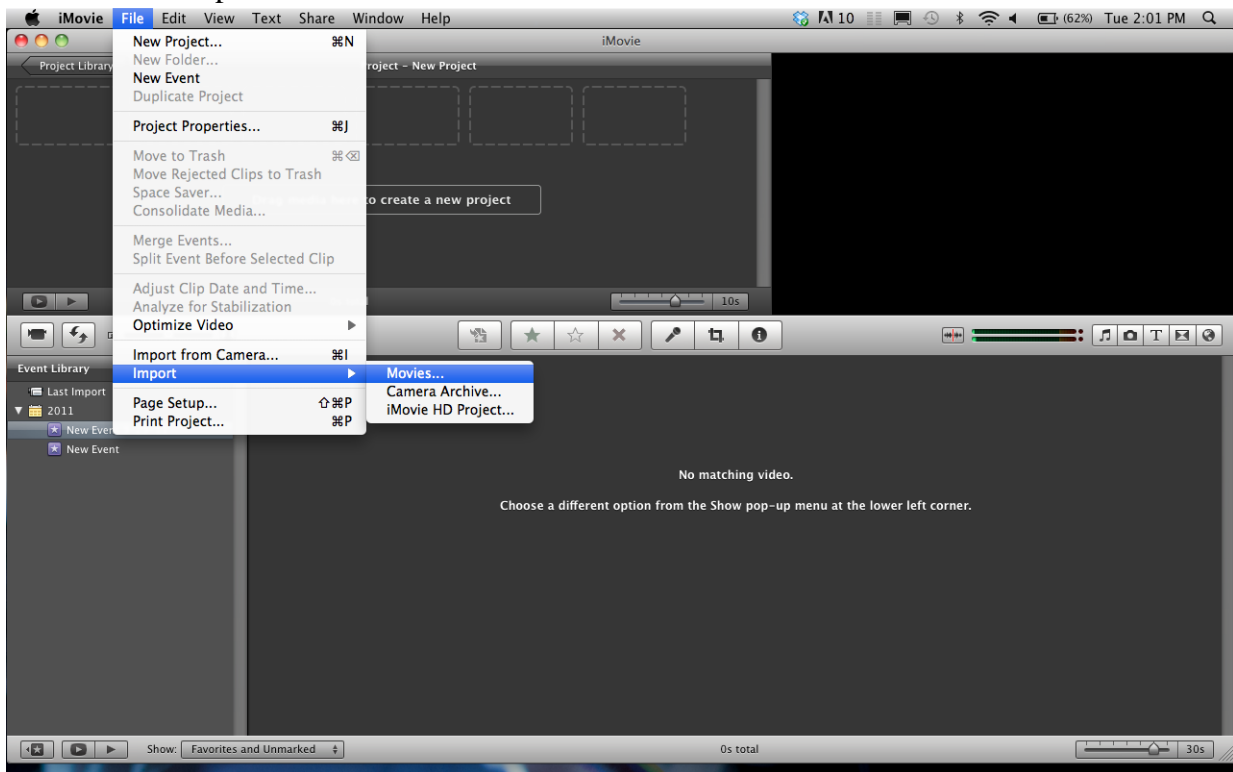
Importing from a camera

- Make sure your camera is plugged into the computer
- Open iMovie
- File>Import from Camera
- Select the clips you want to import
- Click Import



### Importing from the Desktop:

- Make sure your clips are located on the Desktop
- File>Import>Movies
- Select the movies from your Desktop
- Click Import



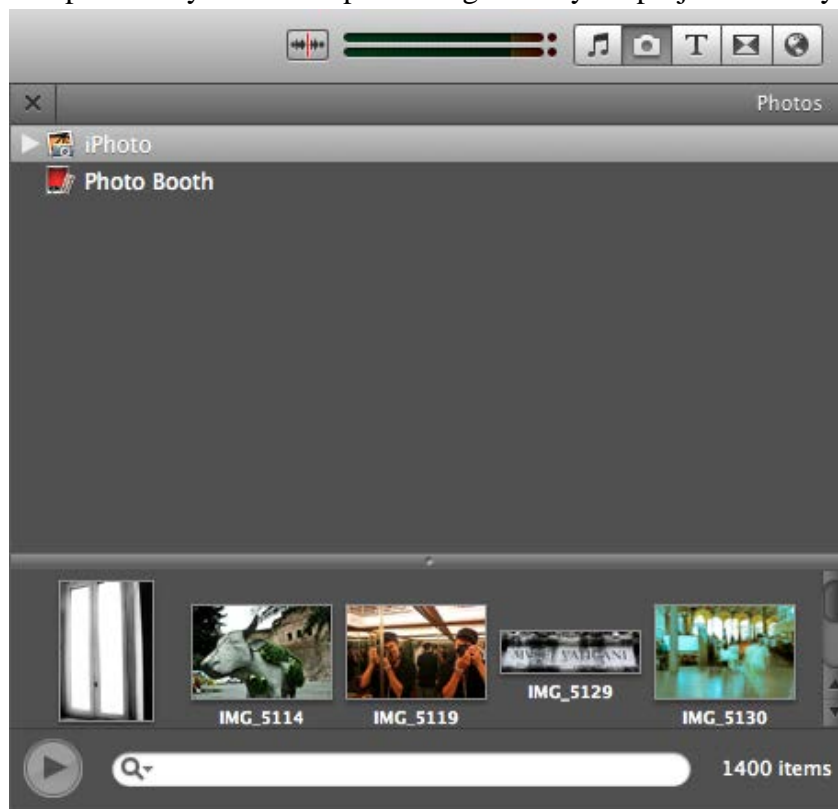
Import a movie

## Inserting Items into your iMovie Project

The “Drag and Drop” Theory: The theory behind iMovie is to insert anything into your project; all you have to do is drag and drop that item.

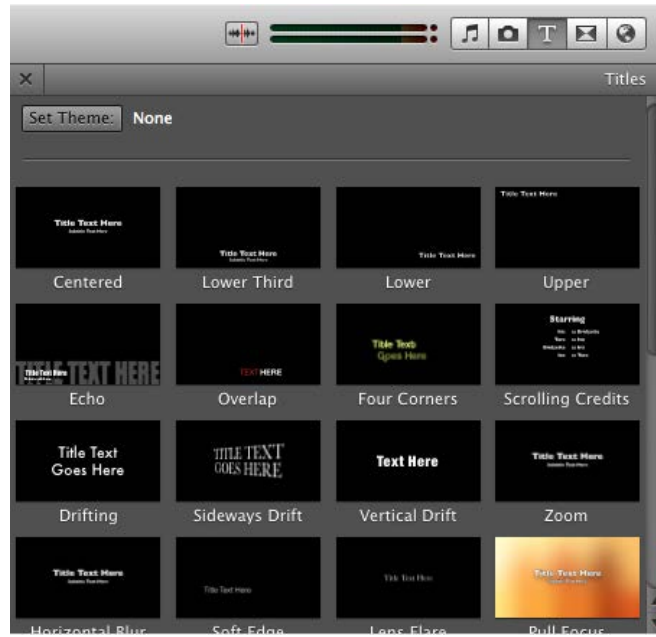
Inserting a Picture:

- Click on the camera icon on the right toolbar.
- Drag and drop the photo you want to use into your project from iPhoto.  
Or you can also
- Click on the photo on your Desktop and drag it into your project where you want it to go.



Inserting a Text Slide into your Project:

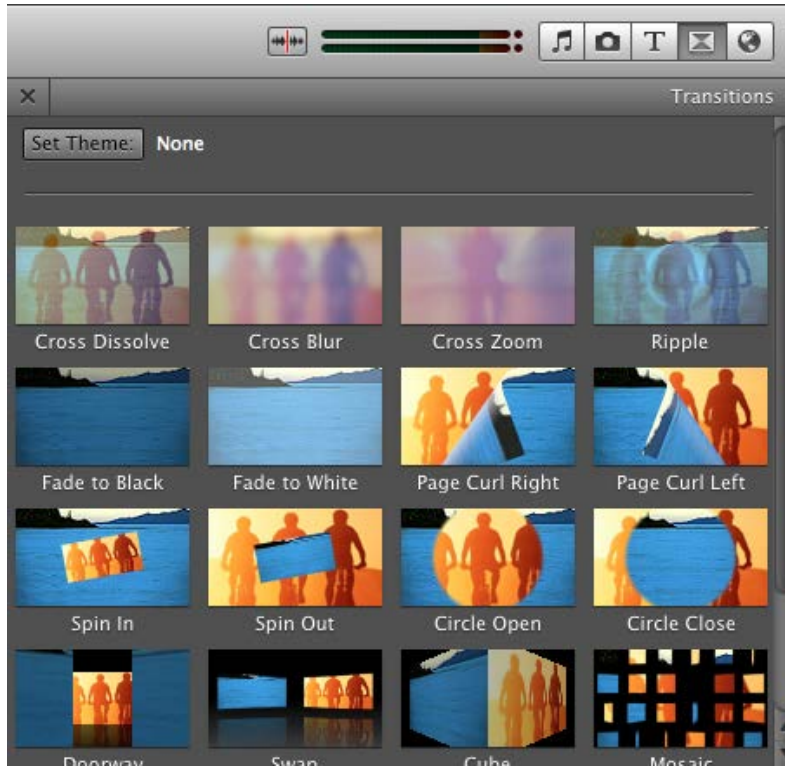
- Click on the Text Slide Icon on the right toolbar.
- Drag and Drop the text slide in between the slides where you want the text slide.
  - Click on the Text in the Slide to edit the text



## Insert a slide

Adding Transitions into your Project:

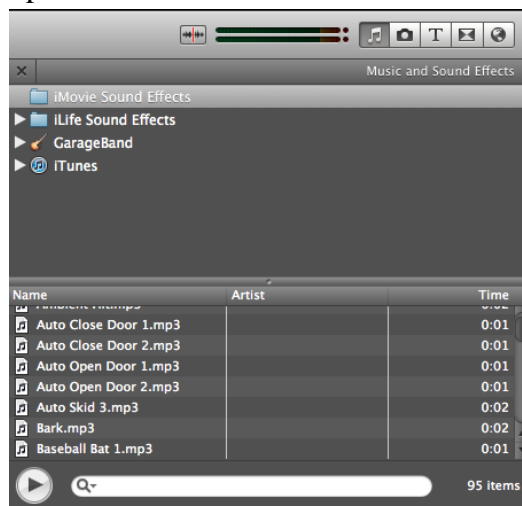
- Click the Transition icon on the right toolbar.
- Drag and Drop the transition slide in between the wanted clips.
  - Double click on the transition to change the length of the transition.



Add a slide transition

Inserting Music into your Project:

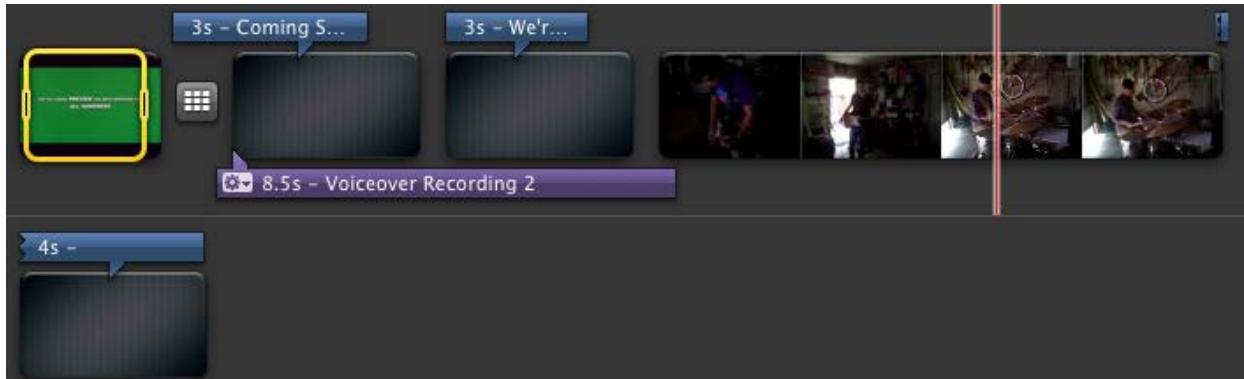
- Click on the Music Icon on the right toolbar.
- Click on the Music that you would like to insert into your Project and Drop it onto your Project.
  - Music must be in iTunes
  - Also another option is that iMovie has sound effects to insert into your Project.



## Basic Editing

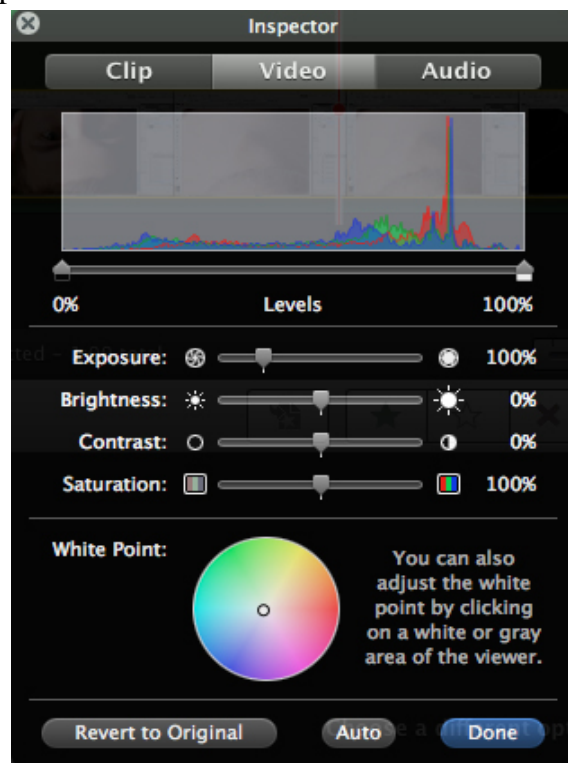
### Clipping Videos:

- The yellow selection bar selects the area that you either want to keep or delete.
- To delete an area of a clip select the unwanted area and hit the Delete button.



### Color Correction:

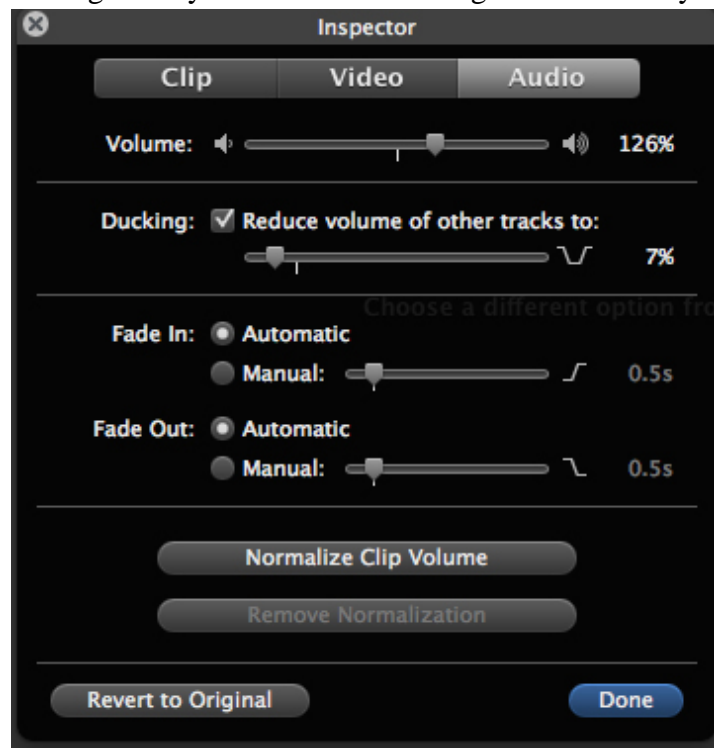
- Double click the video clip to show the Inspector.
- Click on the Video Tab.
- Change the white point on the color wheel to find the desired color for your video clip.



Correct a color

### Normalizing the Volume:

- Double Click the clip to show the Inspector.
- Click on the Audio tab.
- Click the normalize clip volume button at the bottom of the Audio Options.
- Click Done when finished.
  - This tool is great if you have a lot of background noise in your video.

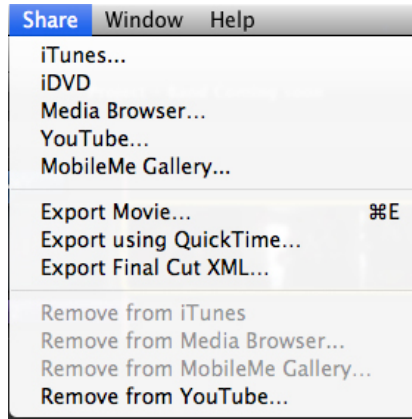


## Exporting

### Exporting as an MP4:

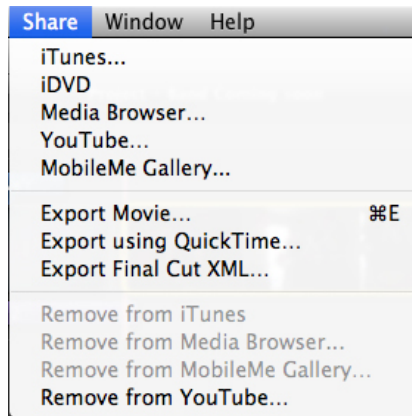
- Share>Export Movie
- This will turn your movie into an MP4 file.
- You can choose the file size. (tiny, small, medium, large)





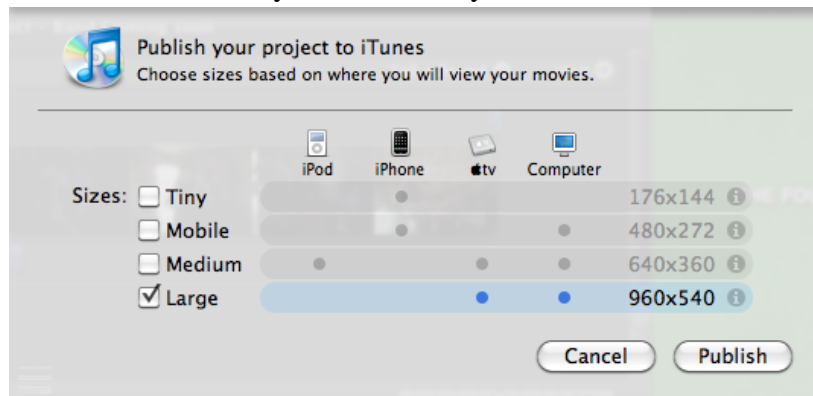
Exporting using Quicktime:

- Share>Export using Quicktime.
- Create a large quality .MOV file that can be used on any computer that has Quicktime Player.



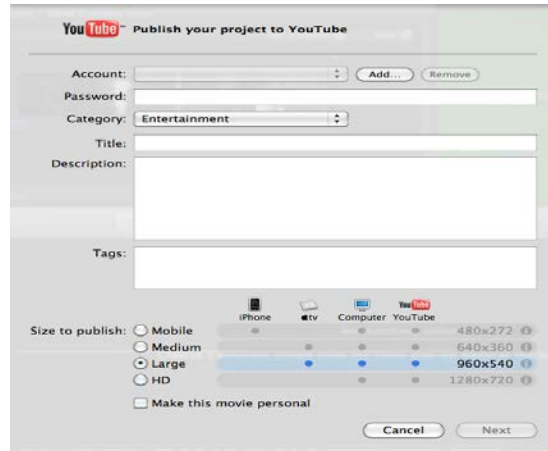
Exporting to iTunes:

- Share>iTunes
- The movie will be sent directly to iTunes for you to watch.



Exporting to YouTube:

- Share>YouTube
- Enter a Username and Password and the movie will automatically upload to your YouTube account.



## Export your movie

### Things Learned from this Course

- How to import Video Clips
- How to insert Photo, Text, and Music
- How to create Transitions
- Basic Editing
- How to export the video and understand File Formats