



IMOVIE 08 TUTORIAL

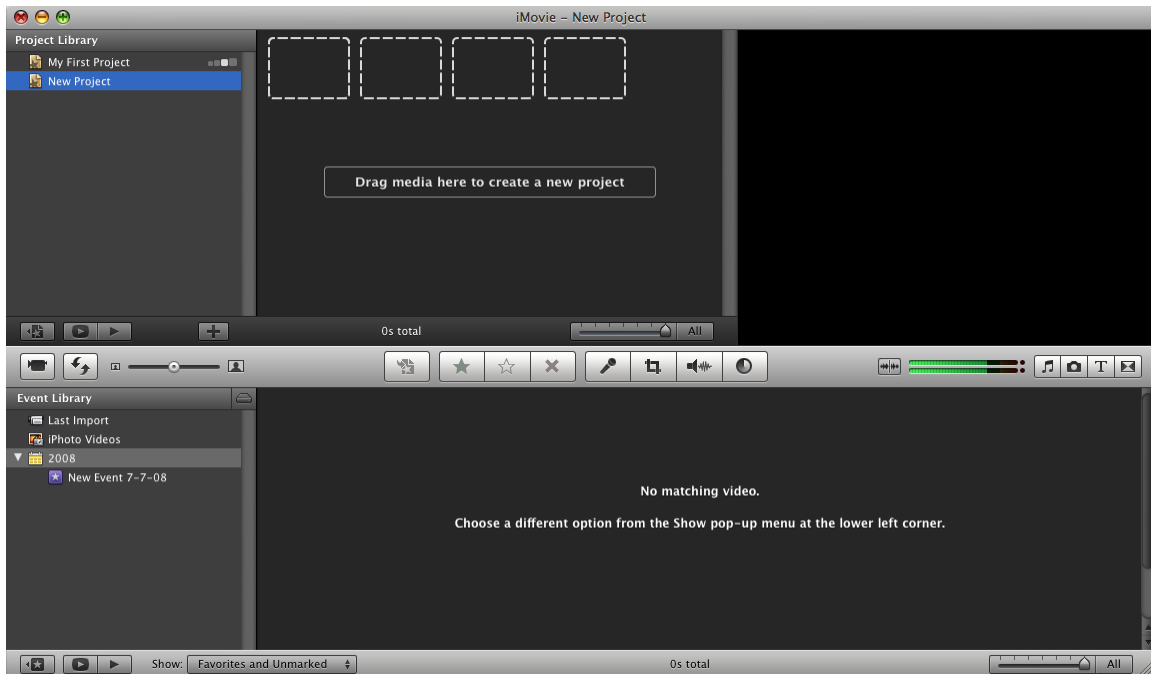
OVERVIEW

iMovie 08 is consumer-level digital video editing software for Macintosh. You can use iMovie 08 to edit the footage you film with digital video cameras and HD video cameras. The sections below will help you use iMovie 08 to edit your video efficiently. If you are unfamiliar with iMovie08 you may want to have a look at an overview of the **iMovie08 screen**, to learn some of the menus and buttons.

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GETTING STARTED



Monitor Window - views clips or your final iMovie project

Cam Switch - brings up the Importing window

Timeline - shows current position in clip and also used for editing

Flip Switch - switches the position of the Project and the Events

Mouse scrubbing - controls the playback of your footage

Volume Slider - increases or decreases the volume

Frame Adjustment - adjusts the size of the thumbnails for your clips

Clip Viewer - organizes your clips in the order you choose

Event Library - stores imported clips from the digital video camera

Imported Clips - shows video/still clips you have imported

CREATING A NEW IMOVIE 08 PROJECT

To begin editing the video you recorded, you will need to create a new project in iMovie 08. To do this, click on the iMovie 08 icon in the Applications folder (*Fig1*).



Fig 1.

When the iMovie 08 screen appears, click New Project, or you can access other projects by clicking on them in the Project Library.

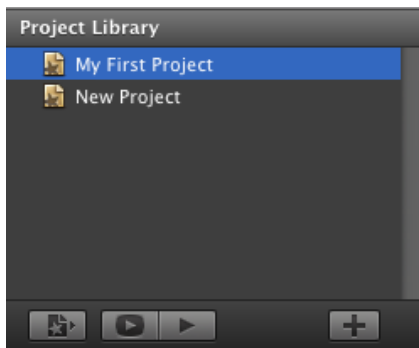


Fig 2.

The New Project button is the button designated with a plus sign (*Fig2*). Click on the button to create a new movie project. You will also then select the aspect ratio for your project, either 4:3 fullscreen or 16:9 widescreen.

* Fullscreen footage is shaped more like a square; widescreen footage is shaped more like a rectangle (often with black bars at the top and bottom of the screen).

IMPORTING VIDEO CLIPS INTO IMOVIE 08

Before you can edit your footage you must import it into the computer. To start importing footage, do the following:

Click on the **Camera Mode** icon to make sure iMovie 08 is in **Camera Mode** (Fig 3). Set the switch on the left to **Automatic** if you want iMovie to log the clips for you. To do it **Manually**, hit the **Capture** button to start importing and stop to end that particular clip (Fig 4). Use the VCR controls on the camera to move the tape to where you would like to import it. When you hit **Capture**, it will ask you to add the clips to an existing event, or to create a new event (Fig 5).



Fig 3



Fig 4

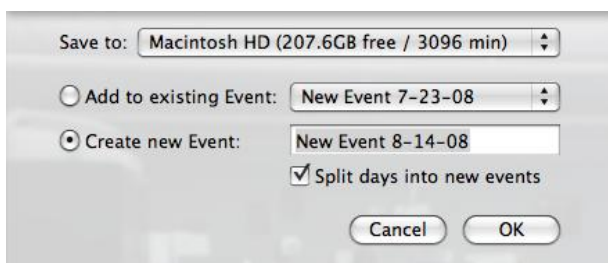


Fig 5

When you have reached the end of your footage, click the **Done** button to stop importing.

PREVIEWING YOUR MOVIE

During any part of the editing process, you may want to preview your movie. To preview your movie do one of the following:

1. Click play under the Project Library to preview the entire movie (Fig. 6).

OR

Click on the clock icon on a clip (Fig. 7), which brings it to trim mode, and you may preview the individual clip by clicking the play icon.



Fig 6

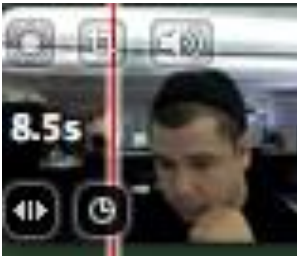


Fig 7

2. Your movie will play back in the **Monitor Window** (Fig 8).



Fig 8

ADDING CLIPS TO YOUR PROJECT

To add clips to your movie, do the following:

Click on any of the clips within the **Event Browser**. A yellow box will appear on the thumbnail; adjust the edges of the box so that all of the footage you want to add to your project is within the yellow box. After you have done this, your mouse pointer will appear as a hand. Grab the thumbnail within the yellow box and drag it to the **Project Browser** to add it to your movie (*Fig 9*). The clip adjustment bar (*Fig 10*) alters how many frames of each clip appear as a thumbnail. Adjusting this can make selecting larger or smaller portions of clips easier.



Fig 9



Fig 10

Sometimes you may need to switch the position of some clips in your movie after you have added them to your Project Browser. To reposition clips, just click and drag them to a new position, which is apparent when you see a bold green line appearing when you try and reposition your clip.

You also have the option to split clips into pieces. Click on the clip you would like to split and use the yellow box to select the portions of the clip that you would like to separate, then click “Split Clip” in the edit menu.

Getting rid of unwanted clips can also make your workspace less crowded. This will make it easier to organize your movie. To remove clips from your iMovie 08 project, do the following:

Select a clip you wish to get rid of and press **DELETE**.

CLIP ADJUSTMENTS

Once you have placed a clip into your project. You have a variety of options for adjusting the clip. These options include: **TRIMMING**, **CROPPING**, **ADJUST AUDIO**, **ADJUST VIDEO**, and **VOICEOVER**.



Fig 11

To **TRIM** a clip: click the clock icon that appears when you hover your mouse over a clip in your project (*Fig 11*).

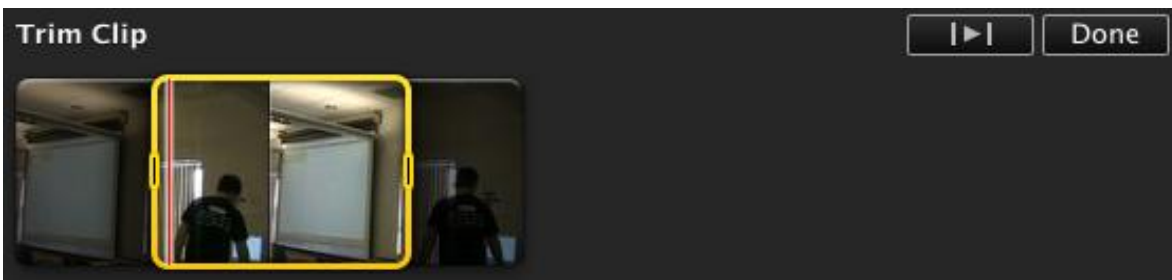


Fig 12

Just like when inserting a clip, just drag the sides of the yellow box to manipulate what portion of the video is included in your project (*Fig 12*). Press the play button to preview your clip; press done when finished.

To **CROP** a clip: click on the cropping icon in the thumbnail of any clip, or clip on the cropping icon in the Options Tab (*Fig 13*) and then clicking on the clip you'd like to crop.



Fig 13

You can then resize the green box (Fig 14) that appears on the clip to control how much of the footage will be visible.

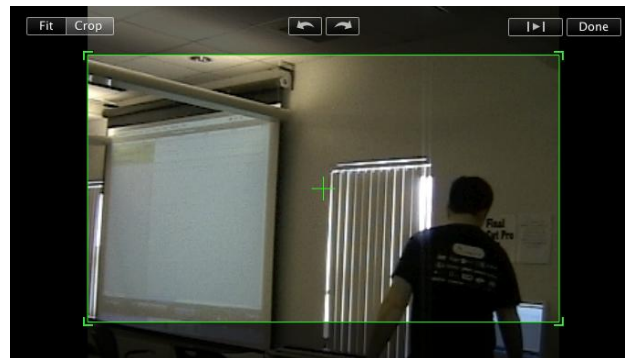


Fig 14

To **ADJUST AUDIO** in a clip: click on the speaker icon in the thumbnail of the clip (Fig 11), or click the speaker icon on the Options Tab (Fig 13). Now you can adjust the audio of the clip, add an audio fade-in or fade-out, or apply ducking—which makes other sounds, such as music, “duck” below the volume of your clip.

To **ADJUST VIDEO** in a clip: click on the sun icon located in the top left corner of the thumbnail of any clip; or click on the circle icon located on the far right of the Options Tab.



This will allow you adjust the following:
Exposure – shadows and highlights
Brightness – overall light levels
Contrast – difference between white a black
Saturation – color intensity
White Point – changes color range by resetting the color white

To add **VOICEOVER** to any clip: click the microphone icon on far left of the Options Tab (Fig 13). You have the options to select which microphone you would like to use, control the level at which your voice records, apply noise-reducing vocal enhancement, and play your projects audio while you record. When you are ready to record click on the clip you would like to record a voiceover for. After a three second countdown justgin talking as your video plays.

ADDING MEDIA

iMovie 08 gives you the option of adding sound files or images to your project. To add a sound file click the music note icon in the Edit Browser (*Fig 15*).



Fig 15

Then simply browse for the sound file that you would like to add and drag it into your project.

To add an image file, click the camera icon in the Edit Browser, browse for the film, and then drag it into your project.

ADDING TITLES

To add titles to a clip, click the “T” icon on the Edit Browser (*Fig 15*). Once you have selected the type of title you would like to add, just drag the title on top of the clip you would like to add it to. Then click within the thumbnail of the clip to alter the titles to suit your video.

You can adjust the font of the titles by clicking the Show Fonts button at the top of the preview window.

ADDING TRANSITIONS

To add transitions to your project click the transition icon on far right of the Edit Browser (*Fig 15*).



Then just drag the type of transition you would like to add to the spot in the project that you would like to add it.

SHARING YOUR VIDEO

After you have made the finishing touches to your video it is time to share it with the world. iMovie 08 gives you a number of different options for exporting your video.

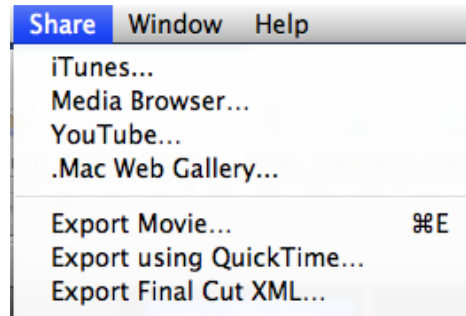


Fig 16

Under the Share tab (*Fig 16*), you can choose from the following:

- iTunes – this sends your video straight to your iTunes library
- Media Brower – this option exports your video to the media browser to be used with other programs like iWeb
- YouTube – this option allows you to upload your video directly to YouTube
- .Mac Web Gallery – this option allows you to upload to the .Mac Web Gallery
- Export Movie – this is the most commonly used option, you can choose the size of your video file in order to optimize its performance
- Export using Quicktime – this is an advanced option that allows for the greatest control of export
- Export final Cut XML – this option exports a file that can work within Final Cut Pro