

Basic Video Editing with Windows Live Movie Maker

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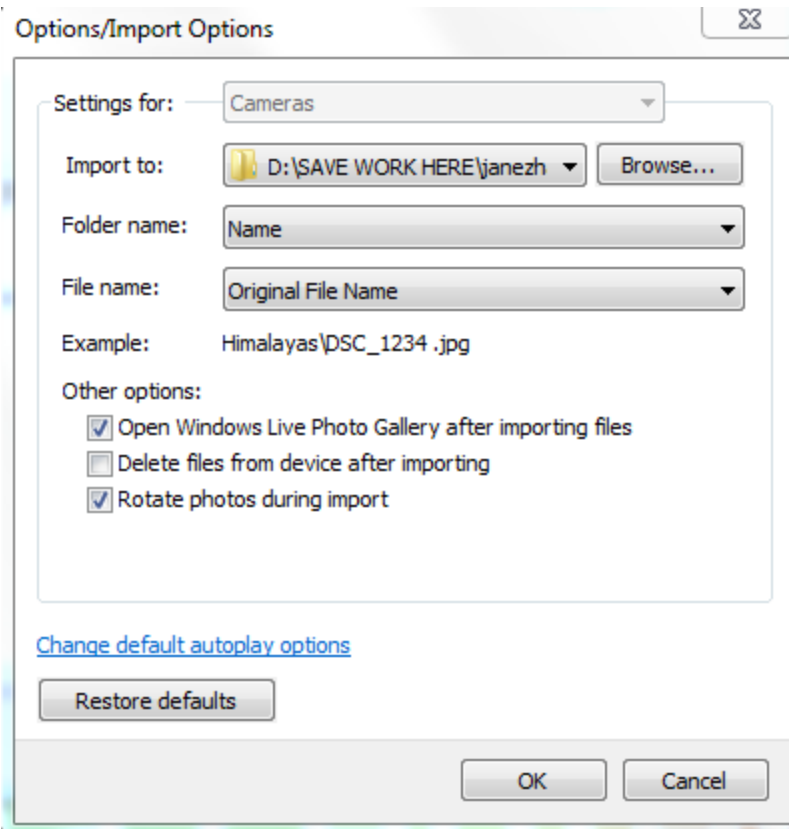
Note: This handout remixes some information on the website of <http://explore.live.com/windows-live-movie-maker>.

1. Import Videos

- a. Connect the camera to a computer by using the supplied USB cable, and then turn on the camera.
- b. Press **Camera/Play** button, select **Computer/Printer** for the device connected.
- c. Launch **Windows Live Movie Maker**, click **Movie Maker** button, then click **Import from device**
- d. If the **Photos and videos will be imported into Windows Live Photo Gallery** message appears, click **OK**.

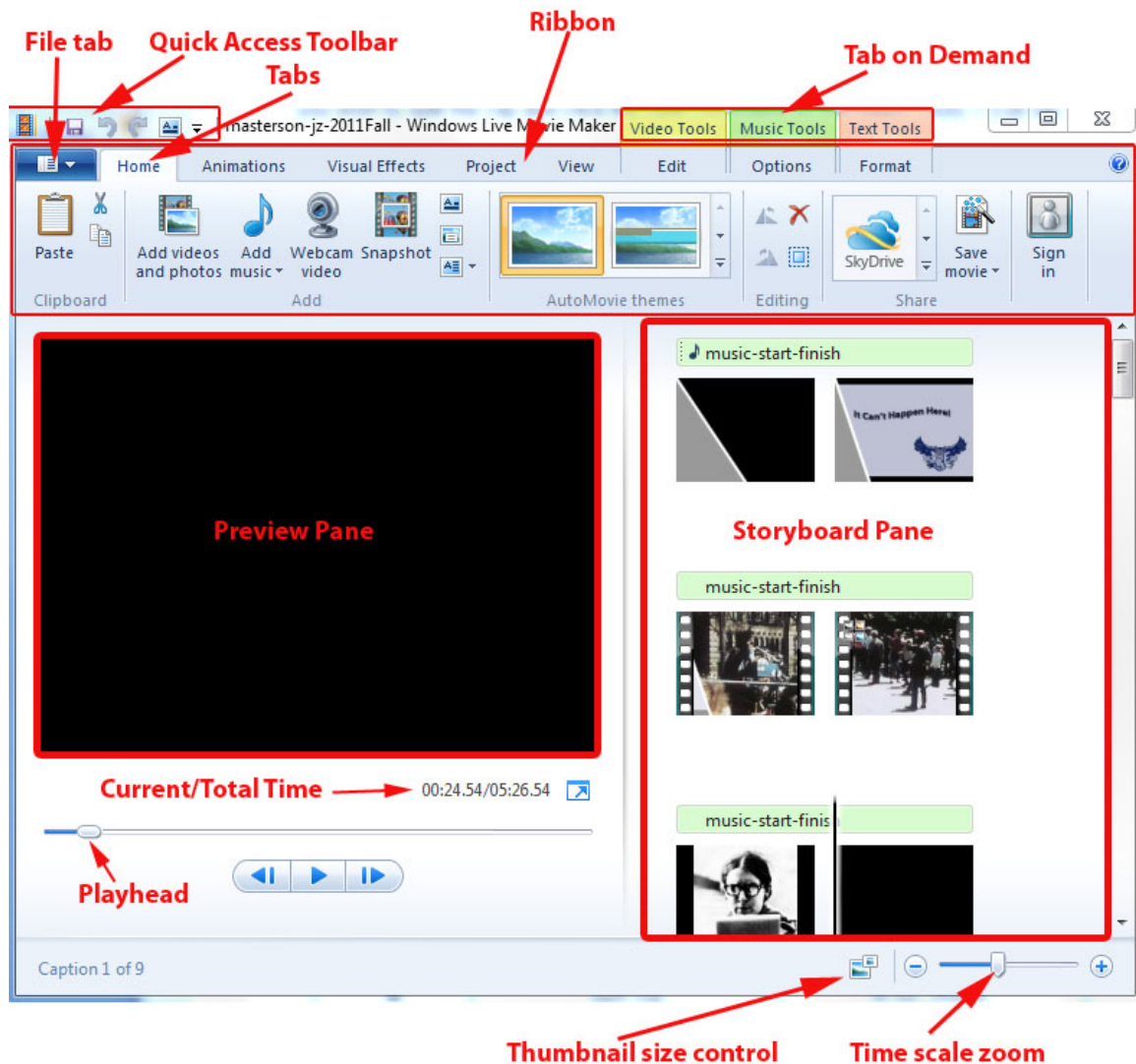


- e. Click **CANON (G:)**, then click **Import**.
- f. On the **New photos and videos were found** page, click **Import all new items now**, type a name for all the photos and videos, and then click **Import**.
- g. Click on **More options** on the **New photos and videos were found** page if you want the imported photos and videos saved in a different folder other than the default **My Pictures**.



- h. Wait until the photos and pictures finish importing.
- i. **Windows Live Photo Gallery** pops up once the importing is done.
- j. In **Windows Live Photo Gallery**, click **Create** button, then select the video you have just imported, then in the **Share** group, click **Movie**.
When the video appear in **Windows Live Movie Maker**, you are ready to start making your movie.

Windows Live Movie Maker Interface



2. Edit the video

- a. Add a video - On the **Home** tab, in the **Add** group, click **Add videos and photos** to bring more videos and photos to your movie.
- b. Trim video
 - i. Click the video you want to trim to open it in the Preview panel, drag the playback bar to the point where you want the video to start, then under **Video Tools**, on the **Edit** tab, click **Set start point**
 - ii. Drag the playback indicator to where you want to stop playing, then under **Video Tools**, on the **Edit** tab, click **Set end point**
 - iii. Then click **Trim tool** to trim the video
 - iv. You can decide to **Save trim** or **Cancel**

- c. Split a video

you can split a video into two smaller items. You can move one video in front of the other to change the order in which the videos play in your movie.

 - i. Click the video to open it in the Preview panel, then drag the playback indicator to the point where you want to split the video. Under **Video Tools**, on the **Edit** tab, click **Split**.
- 3. Edit the Audio**
- a. Change the audio volume
 - i. To change the volume of the audio in a video, click the video. Under **Video Tools**, on the **Edit** tab, in the **Audio** group, click **Video volume**, and then move the slider left to lower the volume or right to increase it.
 - b. Add music
 - i. On the **Home** tab, in the **Add** group, click **Add music**. Click the music file you want to use, and then click **Open**.
 - ii. **Add Music...** will add music to the project, whereas **Add music at the current point...** will add music that starts at the current point in the project.
- 4. Add a title, Caption, or credit**
- a. Add a title
 - i. On the **Home** tab, click **Title** button to add a title before a selected item
 - b. Add a caption
 - i. On the **Home** tab, click **Caption** button to add text that displays over the selected video or photo.
 - c. Add a credit
 - i. On the **Home** tab, click **Credits** button to add Credits at the end of the movie.
 - d. Edit a title, caption, or credit
 - i. Click on the clip on the storyboard, then click on **Text Tools**, then make changes
 - e. Delete a title, caption, or credit
 - i. Click on the clip on the storyboard that you want to delete, then hit **Delete** button on the keyboard.
- 5. Add a transition**
- A transition controls how your movie plays from one video clip or picture to the next. You can add a transition between two pictures, video clips, or titles in any combination on the storyboard.
- a. On the storyboard, click the second of the two video clips, titles, or pictures that you want to add a transition.
 - b. Click **Animations** tab, click the transition you want to add.
 - c. To remove a transition, under **Animations** tab, with the clip selected on the storyboard, click the first one **No transition**.
- 6. Share and Save your Movie**
- a. YouTube

On the **Home** tab, click **YouTube** button, choose 1920x1080 (recommended), then

follow the on-screen instructions to finish up.

Note: Your movie is limited to 15 minutes in length and 2 GB in size for YouTube upload.

- b. For OwlSpace upload
 - i. On the **Home** tab, click **Savemovie->For computer**, then choose a file location to save your movie. Your movie will be exported as a windows media video file with file extension of **.wmv**.
Note: estimated file size: 40 MB per minute of video
 - ii. If you want to compress your movie further down, on the **Home** tab, click **Savemovie->For email**. Estimated file size: 11 MB per minute of video.

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