

# Other Video Editing Tips

## Music

- To import music, click on the Sound tab and click the import box on the right side of the screen. Then insert the CD you would like to use and select the track you wish to use.
- Click on the track box and the song will render (process/download) onto the music track.
- Place the music on the track to synchronize with your video clips.

## Titles

- Make only 2 titles for a 1-2 minute video.
- Don't use the entrance movement pattern that goes from right to left, because your title comes in backwards.

## Special Effects

- Go to the Special Effects tab to select transitions. A transition can be inserted between clips.



## Finishing Up

- Close out of Avid Cinema by going to File and then Exit.
- Turn off computer by clicking on "Special" and then, Shut Down.



## Some Reminders About Procedures

- Save often. We recommend you save at least one save per minute of editing time.
- Insert black at the beginning and end of the video.
- Only import the clips you want to use.
- Put all your equipment away.

Have a  
blast editing  
your video!



# How to Edit Using Avid Cinema



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You just got back from a busy, but fun session of video taping. You are super excited because you

got all the clips you needed for your project. Now all you need to do is edit the clips. That's where **Avid Cinema** comes in!

**Avid Cinema** is an easy-to-learn, easy-to-use, video editing program that will satisfy everyone's basic editing needs!!

**FUN, EASY, FAST**



are the three words we use to describe **Avid Cinema**!

## Steps to Producing a Successful Avid Cinema Video

### *Setting Up Your Video File*

1. To turn on the computer, press the key at the top right corner of the keyboard.
2. Click on the Avid Cinema icon in the Launcher box, and select the green tape graphic in the center of the three graphic boxes.
3. Create your video file and store it in the Video Creations folder located on the Desktop. Use your name and M2P period as your folder label.
4. When your video opens, click on the Bring Video In tab.
5. Press play on your VCR and you'll see your video on the screen.
6. Only import the clips you want—the clips you plan on using. **Don't import everything!!** The computer will freeze or crash!
7. If you don't want to have audio with your clip, make sure you select the mute box before importing.
8. To avoid getting the word "Play" on a clip you're importing, start importing (5-8 seconds) before the actual clip you want..

## Working with Your Clips

- ⊗ *To put the clips in the sequence order you want, you can drag the clips in front of one another on the video track.*
- ⊗ *If you want to delete part of a clip, you can split a clip, or edit a section in the middle of a clip. To do this, put the timeline at the place on the clip you want to split. The clip must first be highlighted. Then go to Movie and Split Clip.*
- ⊗ *If you want to duplicate a clip, go to Edit, Copy, and then Paste.*
- ⊗ *The volume is adjustable for both audio and music. Go to the Sound tab.*
- ⊗ *Insert 30 seconds of black at the beginning and end of your video, so that you can adjust the placement of the music as you synchronize the music with your clips.*
- ⊗ *To insert black at the beginning of your video, highlight your first clip, go to Movie, Insert Black, and type in 30 (seconds).*
- ⊗ *To insert black at the end of your video, select and copy a random clip and place it at the end of all clips. Then highlight that clip, go to Movie, Insert Black, and type 30 (seconds). The random clip moves down the track, It won't be in your final product!*

