

Sony Vegas Movie Studio: Importing Audio, Video & Images on Workstations 19 and 20

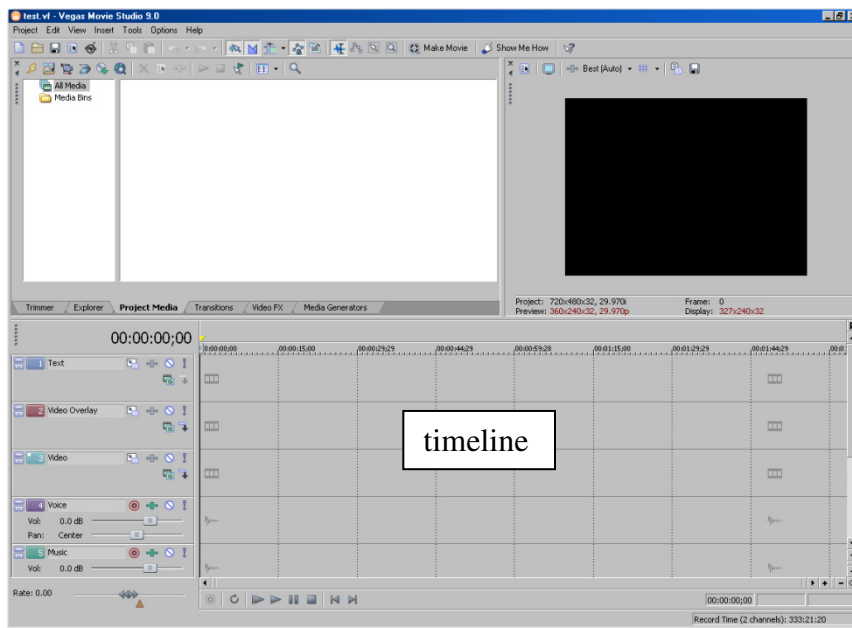
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Before you begin:

- Portable hard drives are available to store your project or to transport it to your computer.
- Importing from a VCR or 8mm camcorder can only be done on a workstation with an analog>digital converter box. You may need to connect the USB cable to the Turtle Beach Video Advantage converter box and restart the computer.
- If you are using your own camcorder and are experiencing problems, in Sony Vegas, refer to Help > Contents and Index > import (Capture) video.....
- You cannot import DVD formatted movies directly into Sony Vegas. Use Handbrake on a Mac to convert the movie to an mpg4 file and then import it.
- You may reserve a workstation for use by filling out a form at the IMC service desk.

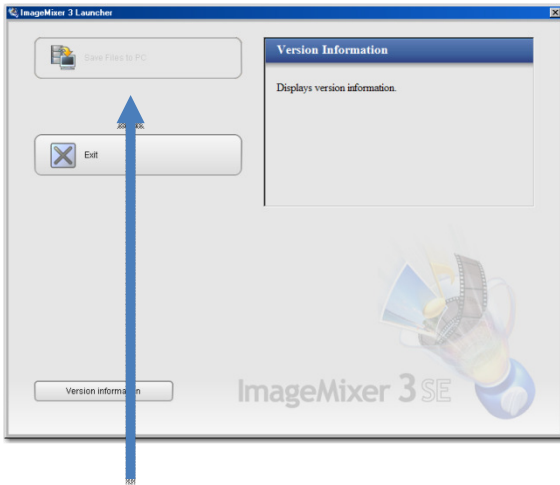
Notify Regina Conboy, 442-3608, rconboy@uamail.albany.edu if you intend to leave your project and files on the computer; they may be deleted otherwise.

Open Sony Vegas from the Start menu. Create a project file. It will have a .vf file extension (filename.vf). This file DOES NOT contain all the media that you are using in Sony Vegas. The files are stored separately and used in Sony Vegas. This is very important. All referenced files and video must be available to you each time you reference them in your SONY Vegas project when you build your project and edit on the timeline. This is why we recommend that you put all files in a folder on the hard drive. (You can borrow a portable hard drive to back them up).



Importing media via IMC's Canon FS300 SD card Camcorder

1. Connect the power adapter before importing. (The AC port is located in an inconspicuous area located on the bottom right of the device, near the grip.)
2. Be sure that the camcorder is set to Play mode. Next, connect the USB cable to the computer and camcorder.
3. A prompt screen on the camcorder may appear. Select **PC/Printer**.
4. Image Mixer 3 Launcher (FS300 software) appears on the desktop. (displayed below)



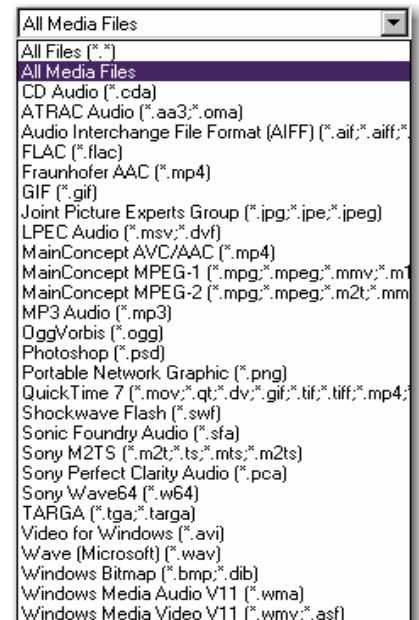
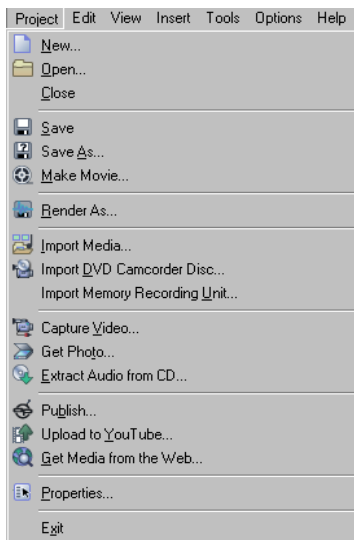
Click **Save files to PC**.

5. Select the **CANON (E:) card** to import media. **Read all videos imports all media located on the SD card.*

General directions for importing audio, images, and video files

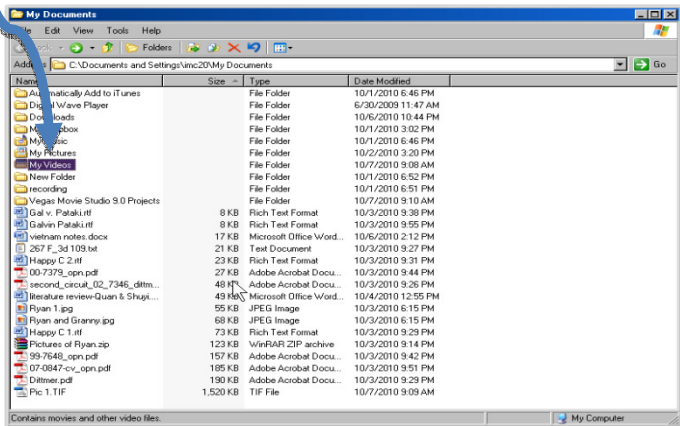
If importing files you have already transferred to your hard drive, or have available on a disc or other storage device: First, create a new folder in My Documents on the computer. Transfer all the files from your disc, device, or hard drive into this one newly created folder. Otherwise, if you prefer to use a USB drive or your own hard drive, you must always connect your own drive to the computer while working in Sony Vegas.

- Select **Project > Import Media**. Be sure that the File Type dropdown menu reads “All Media Files.” Select the files to import.
- After importing your files, select **Project > Save**



Import audio, images and video files (FS300 imports)

Follow the same general directions above. When importing the files you got from the FS300 camcorder, you will have to navigate to the My Videos folder located in my documents and select the *IMx3SEVer4.5* folder. The Image Mixer Software titles the folders according to the upload date. Be sure to select the correct folder.



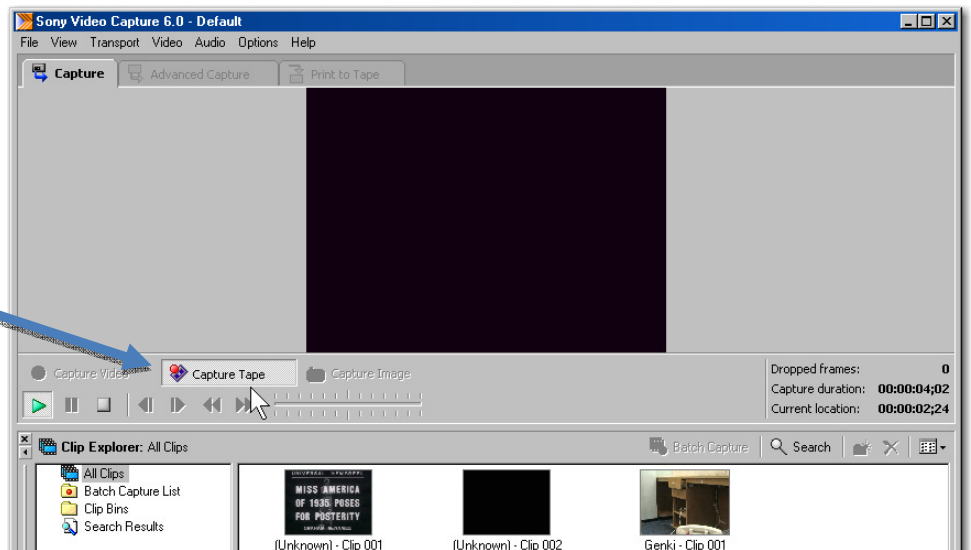
If using a device that records to tape: camcorder or VCR

If using a *digital* camcorder

recording to tape, connect the camcorder to the firewire cable attached to the back of the computer. Put the camcorder in Play mode. Use SONY Vegas to control the movement of the tape as you are recording.

Select **Project > Capture Video**

- Select **Capture Tape**
- To stop recording press the square **Stop** button.
- Click **Done**
- Close the Video Capture window.
- Select **Project > Save**
- All clips are added to the bin, but are stored as separate files on the hard drive.



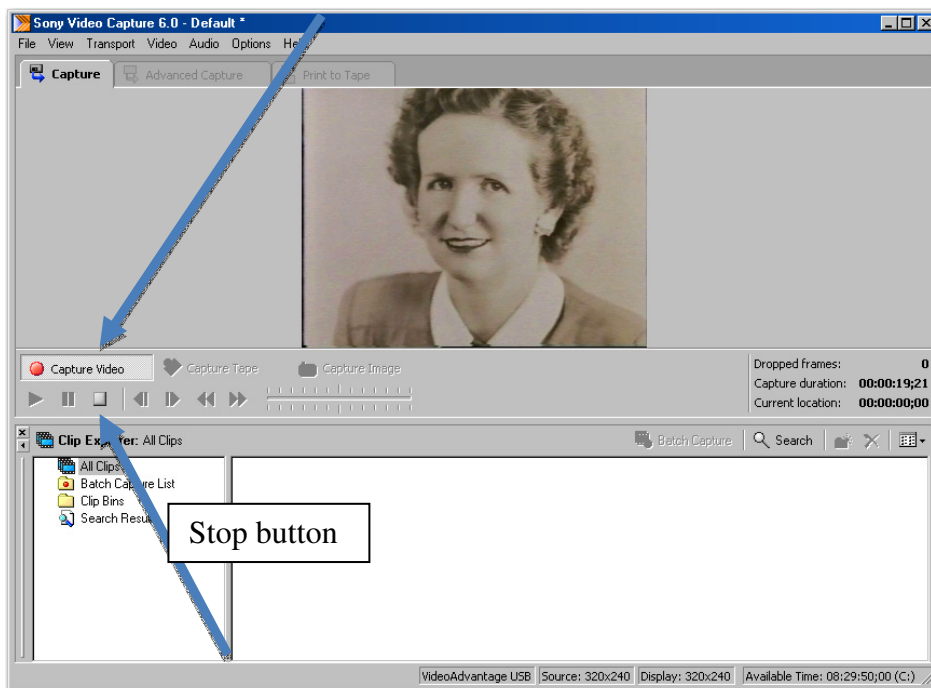
If using a Compact Flash-based memory recording unit such as the HVR-MRC select **Project > Import Memory Recording Unit**

If importing from a DVD Camcorder Disc Note: the disc must be finalized first. Select **Project > Import DVD Camcorder Disc**

If recording from a VHS tape, use workstation 20. If the video out cables are unplugged, be sure to connect them to the correct inputs from the Video Advantage USB. Select channel **L1** on the VCR. The VCR must be in “VCR” mode. Select TV/VCR on the remote until you see VCR displayed on the VCR. Use the controls on the VCR to control movement of the videotape as you are importing.

If recording from an 8mm tape, use workstation 20. Put the camcorder in Play mode. Use the playback controls on the camcorder to control the movement of the videotape as you are recording. Plug the audio and video cables from the camcorder into the front of the VCR using composite cables; the S-Video port on the VCR does not work. The VCR must be in “VCR” mode. Select channel **F1** on the VCR. If you have only one audio cable, ask for a composite audio splitter from the IMC service desk.

Select **Project > Capture Video** (if you are importing directly from camcorder)



- Select **Play** from the equipment if it is analog (VCR or 8mm camcorder) If it is a digital camcorder, this is not necessary.
- To **Stop** recording press the square Stop button. Then press stop on the analog device.
- Click **Done** on capture complete window. Repeat until all wanted clips are captured.
- Close the Video Capture window. Select **Project > Save**.
- All clips are added to the bin, but are stored as separate files on the hard drive.

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