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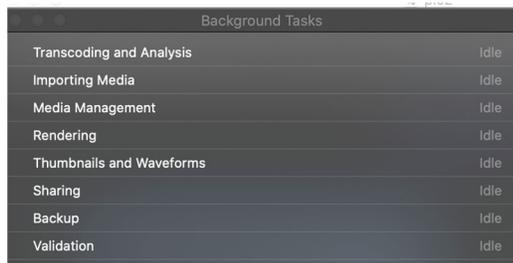https://library.albany.edu/imc/
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# Create an MP4 File in Final Cut Sharing/Exporting a Project

There are many ways to render the video including *Sharing to Compressor* to customize your output. This guide explains how to export your project as a MPeg4 file [.mp4] including the most compatible codec, H264.

Confirm that there are no background tasks running and that there are no missing clips.
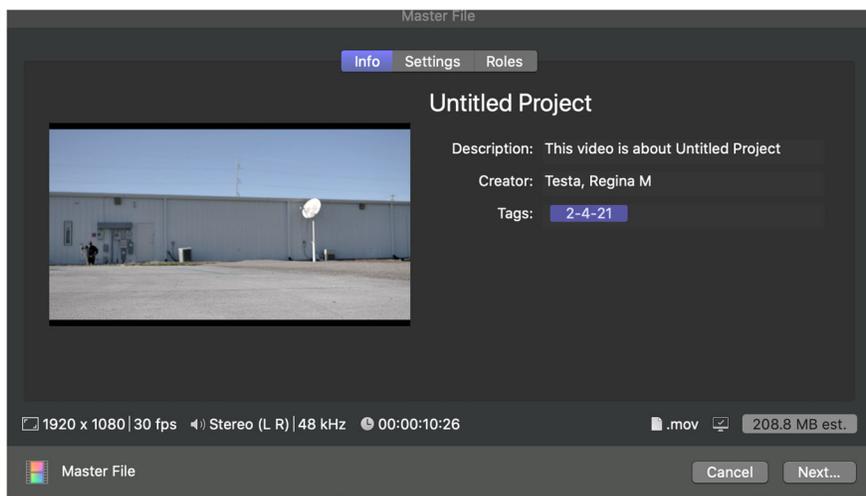
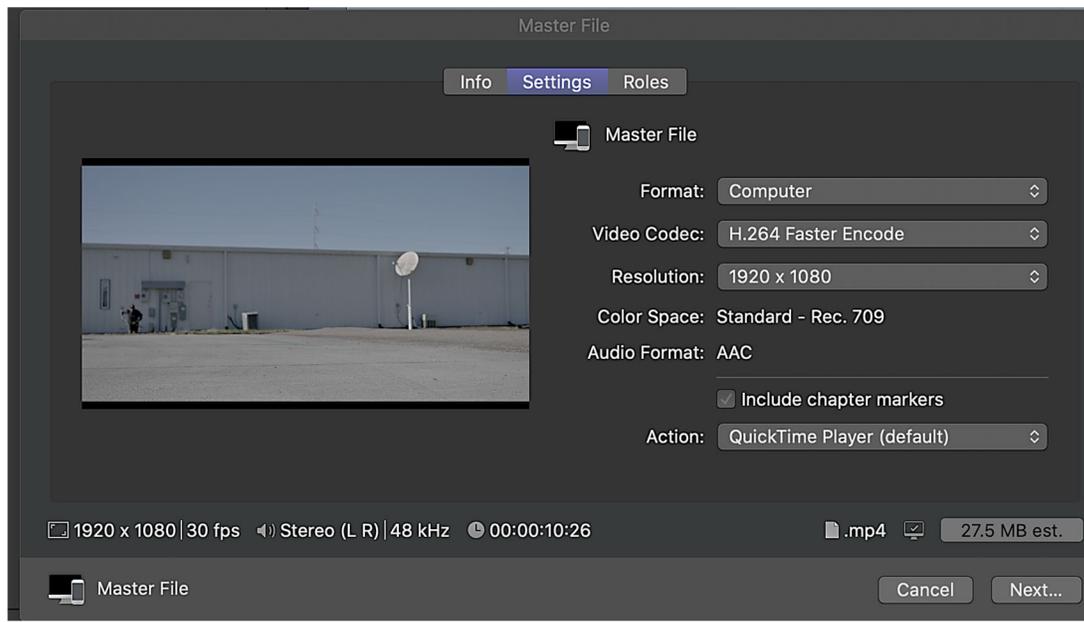Click on the icon on the top left to display or hide background tasks.

All background tasks must be idle.

Select **File > Share > Master File [default]**. Note: if selections are greyed-out, go back to the project and confirm that you are not in pause or play mode. Press spacebar on the keyboard to stop the movie from playing and to quit pause mode.

Select **Info** to [optionally] add the title, description, creator, and/or Tags.

Select **Settings**.

**Format:** select **Computer**

**Video Codec:** select **H.264 Faster Encode** or **H.264 Better Quality.**

Select **Next.** Enter a file name and location. Location should be the Mac. Do not select an external drive. After the mp4 file is created you may transfer it to another drive.

Select **Save**.



Monitor the progress in the Background Tasks window. Click on the icon on the top left to display the list of tasks.

The file is ready when there are no background tasks running in the background.