

How to export your movie from Final Cut Pro to iDVD.

There are several different ways to export your project from Final Cut Pro. Some programs require specific ways to export a project to make them most compatible. iDVD is one of these programs. Here we will discuss the way we recommend exporting a project from Final Cut Pro and placing it into an iDVD Project.

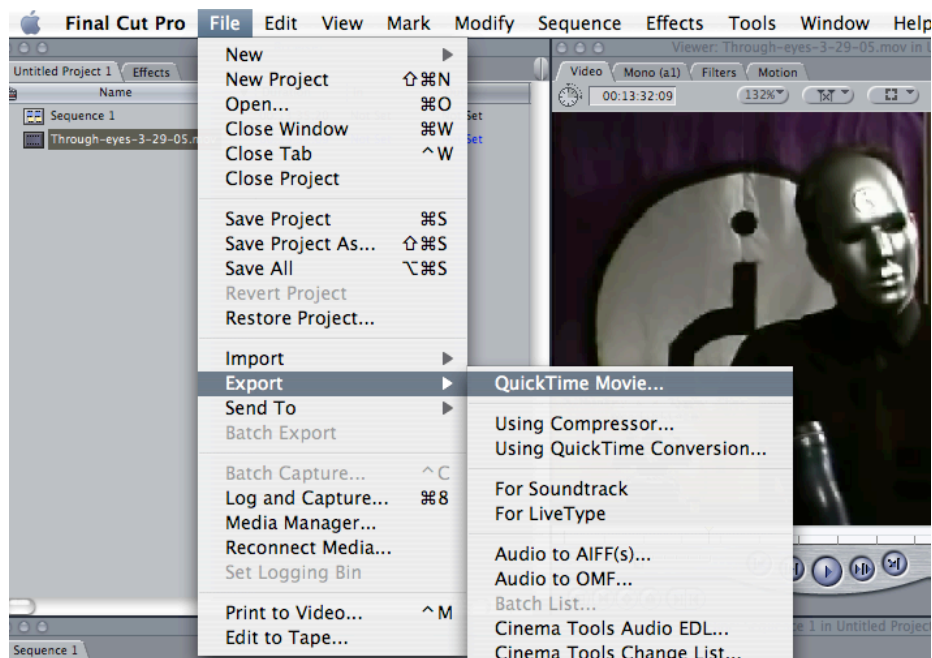
Exporting to iDVD

iDVD is a very simple to use DVD authoring program. The program itself will do the MPEG-2 encoding that will make a quicktime movie viewable on a DVD player.*

**Note: once a movie is placed in a DVD authoring program it becomes very difficult to edit this footage. DVD's are the final state of a video project and if you plan on editing a piece further, make sure you save the tapes, FCP project file and a full quality DV version of the video.*

How do I export from Final Cut Pro to iDVD:

1) Go to "File->Export->Quicktime Movie"



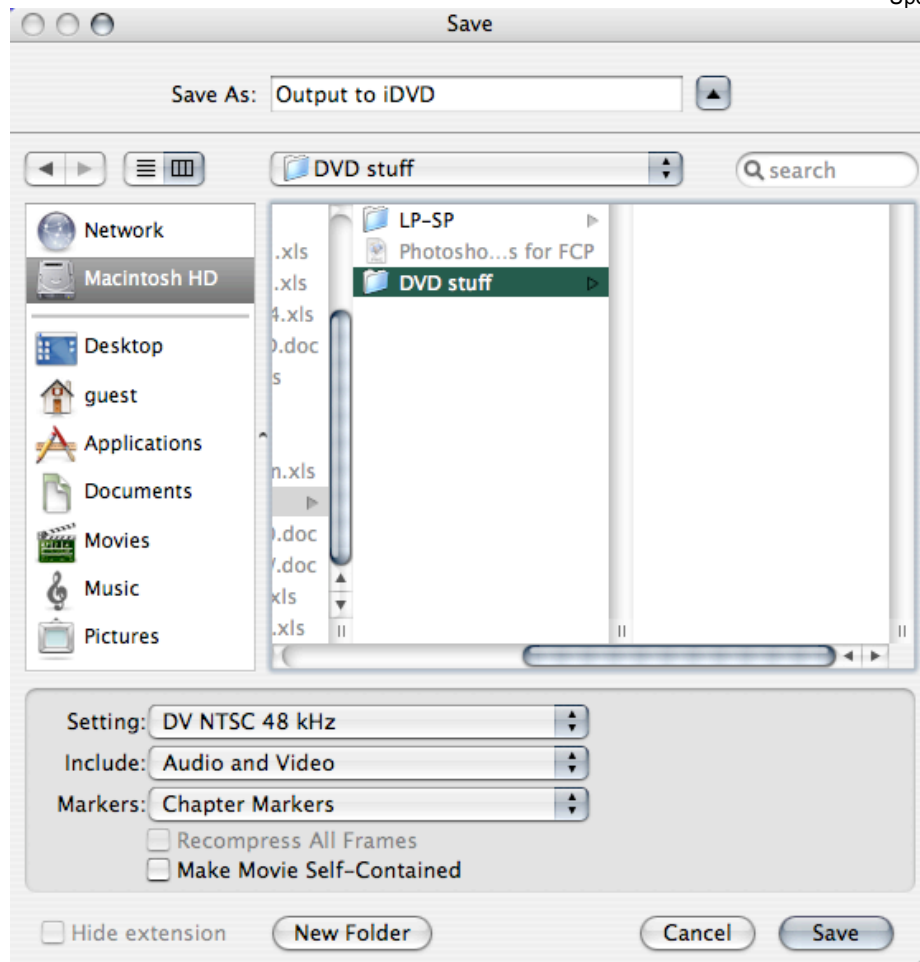
2) Next make sure to name the file, and select a folder to place the project into.

-setting: DV NTSC 48khz

-include: Audio and Video

-markers: if you have Chapter markers in your project, they will be carried into iDVD if you include the information here.

3) Leave the "Make Movie Self-Contained" box unchecked. This makes a reference movie, it takes up very little space and very little time to compile. If you plan on taking the finished product to a separate hard drive, away from the project file, make sure to "make movie self-contained." If you take a reference movie with you it will not play without all the media clips in which it is referenced.



4) Drag Quicktime reference movie into iDVD project.

It's that simple, seriously!