

## Tools and Resources Available for Digital Storytelling

\*Below you will find a large selection of tools to help you create and share your digital stories. If you are just getting started, the best options are to use the video editing software you might already have (Powerpoint, iMovie, or MovieMaker) as they combine video, image and audio editing into one program. Additionally the simplest methods for sharing your digital stories are the free online video sharing platforms. If you have any questions feel free to ask us on TEAM Lab's Website.

### Online Digital Storytelling Tools (Free)

#### Picture editing

- Picknik ([www.picnick.com](http://www.picnick.com))-online picture editing software with image enhancers, special effects and frames
- Pixlr ([www.pixlr.com](http://www.pixlr.com)) –online image editing software
- Splashup ([www.splashup.com](http://www.splashup.com))

#### Video Editing

- Animoto (<http://animoto.com/>)-The free version of Animoto lets students create 30 second videos that combine images, songs, and text. It combines them all for an impressive presentation without a lot of work
- Voice thread (<http://voicethread.com/>)-is a new way to create and share your images, documents and videos.
- YouTube Editor (<http://www.youtube.com/editor>)-edit your uploaded movies and post them straight to youtube.
- Fotobabble (<http://www.fotobabble.com/>)
- Avairy (<http://advanced.aviary.com/tools>)-online suite of editing tools
- Screenr (<http://www.screenr.com/>)

#### Publishing

- Youtube ([www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com))
- Facebook ([www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com))
- Vimeo ([www.vimeo](http://www.vimeo))
- Daily Motion ([www.dailymotion.com/us](http://www.dailymotion.com/us))

### iOS Device & Phone Digital Story Tools (Can be purchased from “app store” or online)

#### Audio

- Audioboo
- Voice Memos

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## Video

- Storyrobe
- Reeldirector
- iMovie
- Splice

## On a Mac

### Audio Editing

- Audacity-\$
- Garage Band-comes packaged with iLife suite. Sound and music editing software

### Image Editing

- iPhoto-comes with iLife suite
- Photoshop Elements-\$\$\$ Photo editing software, can be purchased for either a Mac or a PC

### Video Editing

- iMovie-pre-installed or can be purchased from the Mac store
- Powerpoint-Part of Microsoft office suite
- Photo To Movie-\$
- Final Cut Pro/Express-\$\$\$

### Publishing

- iDVD
- iMovie-files can be saved and transferred to a flash drive or CD

## On a PC

### Audio editing

- Audacity-\$

### Image editing

- GIMP-Free download <http://www.gimp.org/>
- Photoshop elements-\$\$\$

### Video Editing

- Microsoft MovieMaker-Pre-Installed or download from Microsoft
- Microsoft Photo Story-Pre-Installed or free download from Microsoft
- Photo To Movie -\$\$
- Pinnacle Studio-\$\$\$
- Adobe Premiere elements-\$\$\$

### Publishing

- Windows DVD Maker
- MovieMaker-Files can be saved and transferred to a flash drive or CD

## Tutorials

### iMovie

- <http://www.apple.com/findouthow/movies/>
- <http://www.apple.com/support/imovie/>
- [http://manuals.info.apple.com/en/iMovie\\_08\\_Getting\\_Started.pdf](http://manuals.info.apple.com/en/iMovie_08_Getting_Started.pdf)

### Movie-Maker

- <http://www.atomiclearning.com/moviemaker2>
- <http://windows.microsoft.com/en-US/windows-vista/Getting-started-with-Windows-Movie-Maker>

### PowerPoint-A Complete Guide to Creating Digital Stories on PowerPoint

- <http://www.patricklowenthal.com/digitalstory/tie/jobaids/ppt+digitalstory.pdf>

\*\*[www.Lynda.com](http://www.Lynda.com) is an online software tutorial company that provides instructional videos on almost every type of popular software. Subscriptions run about 40\$ a month.

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- Creative commons website: <http://creativecommons.org>