

Creating Weather Graphics

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Launch Final Cut Pro

Open a new project. Use the same settings that you use for all projects that run through the video switcher.

Format: 1080p HD
Resolution: 1920x1080
Rate: 29.97 fps

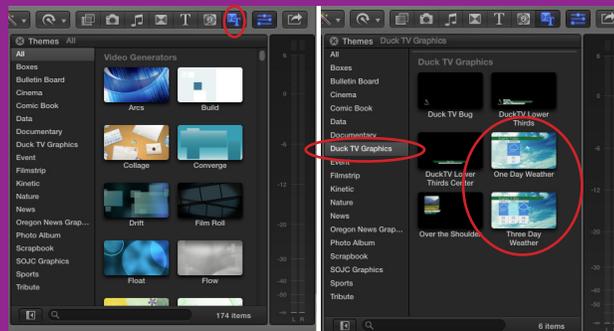
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There are two ways to find weather graphics to add to your project.

You can select the Titles icon on the right side of the screen and then select Weather Graphics. You can choose between one-day and three-day weather graphics. Note: The weather graphics for Oregon News, Duck TV, and SOJC Productions are all the same.



You can also select the Themes icon on the right side of the screen and then select the SOJC production for which you are making the weather graphics. Navigate to and select Weather Graphics. You can choose between 1-day and 3-day weather graphics.



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Drag the weather graphic into the timeline.



If a video properties window opens, change the frame rate to 29.97p to match the settings for the switcher. Since weather graphics export as still images, frame rate does not necessarily matter but it is best practice for all studio projects have the same settings.

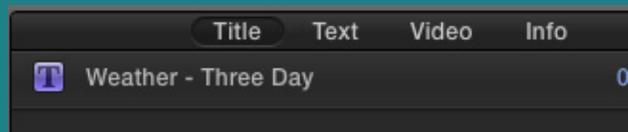


Edit the Graphic

a. Place your scrubber on the timeline somewhere inside where you placed the weather graphic. This will put the weather graphic in the editing window.

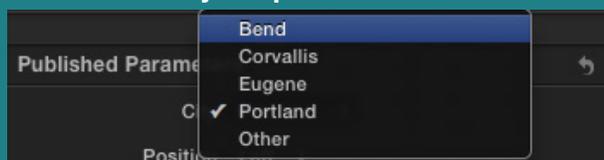


b. Make sure that Title is selected at the top of the Inspector



Change the City

c. Click on the City dropdown and select the city.

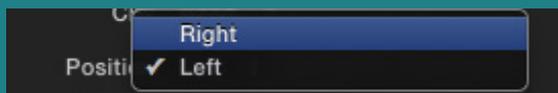


If you select Other, edit the text in the preview window.



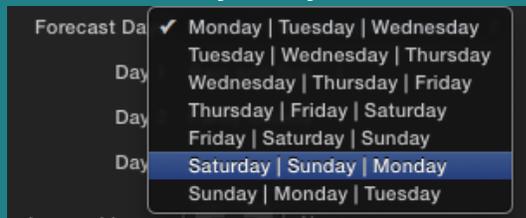
Change the Position

d. Click on the Position dropdown and select the screen side.



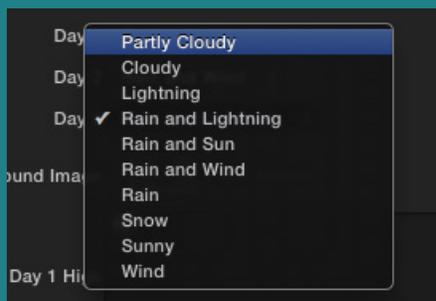
Change the Forecast Days

e. Click on the Forecast Days dropdown and select the days for your forecast.



Change the Weather Icons

f. Click on each of the Day dropdown menus and select the icons for each day of the forecast. One-day forecasts only have one dropdown.



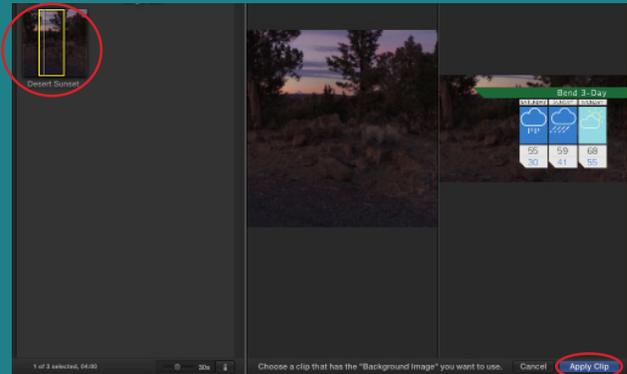
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Change the Background Image (Optional)

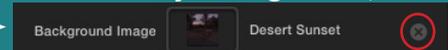
g. Click on the Drop Zone in the Inspector



h. Select the graphic that you want to use from the media library. (Import the background image you want to use if it is not in the media library yet.) Click Apply Clip.

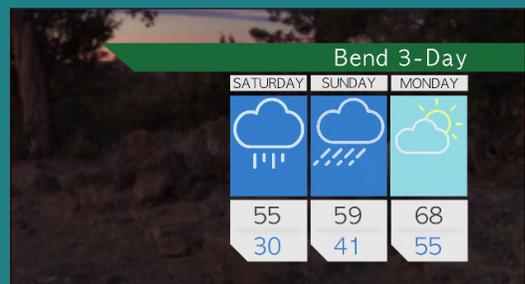
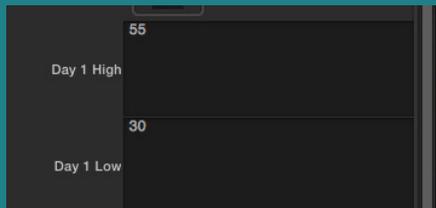


Note: Only use photos that you have taken or that you have specific rights to use. If you put a photo in and decide you would rather have the blue sky background, click the X next to the background in the Inspector.



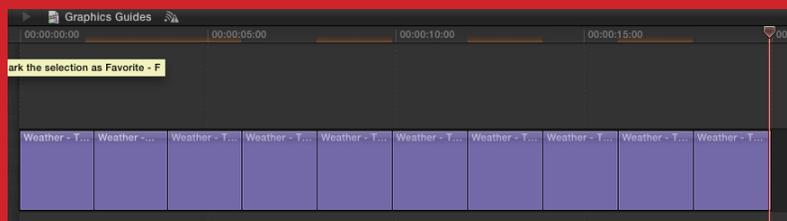
Change the Temperatures

f. Edit the high and low temperatures for each day in the Inspector

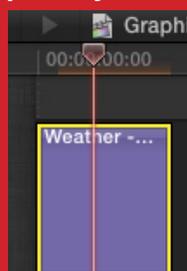


Export

Create all of your weather graphics separately. You will export them individually.



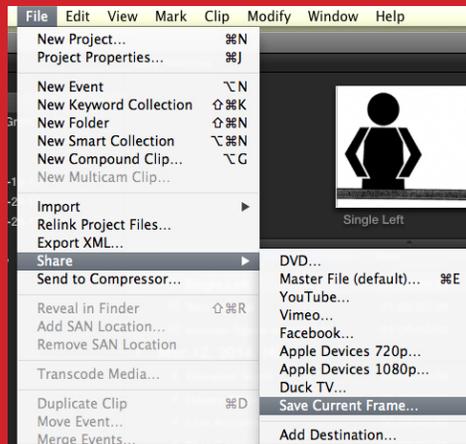
a. Place your scrubber on the timeline somewhere inside one of the weather graphics you want to export.



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b. Click on File > Share > Save Current Frame



Note: If you don't see Save Current Frame as an option, select Add Destination and choose Save Current Frame. When it asks you what file type to save your frame as, select PNG Image.



c. Save your image. If you have made multiple weather graphics in the same project file, export them individually.

If you need help, contact the IT help desk at 319 Allen or call 541-346-0257.