How do I prepare a visual presentation?

Information on ripping DVDs, copying clips and downloading from YouTube and Vimeo

It is not convenient to work with DVDs during a seminar presentation, no matter if it is a paper or a presentation of several short films or clips. In order to save time and to enable a professional presentation, you should prepare the material in advance.

Clips for presentations should **always** <u>be loaded into a "playlist" in VLC Player or integrated</u> into a PowerPoint (PC) or Keynote (Mac) presentation.

The following software is useful to prepare the material for a presentation:

Media Player:

- In general, it is advisable to work with the VLC Player, because whereas both Windows Media Player and QuickTime have certain formats that cannot be played,
- VLC can play all formats
 - VLC Player (freeware) is available for Mac and for PC: <u>http://www.videolan.org/vlc/index.html</u>

Ripping DVDs:

- You can legally copy (or "rip") your own DVDs to create a backup copy.
- Necessary software (freeware):
 - **"HandBrake: the open source video transcoder"** (available for Mac, PC and for Ubuntu) here: <u>http://handbrake.fr/downloads.php</u>
 - With HandBrake you create a copy, which you can then cut with another software.

Create clips:

- Instead of ripping an entire DVD, you can also use **HandBrake** to cut clips by selecting the clip before ripping. See the details in this text for more information: http://chronicle.com/blogs/profhacker/how-to-rip-dvd-clips/26090
- Mac: You can easily create clips with **Quicktime Player**
 - Here is a tutorial: <u>http://www.wikihow.com/Trim-Videos-in-</u> <u>Quicktime-in-Mac-Os-X-Lion</u>
 - Slightly outdated information can be found here (it does not apply to the current OS applicable): Butler, Jeremy, 2011. "Clip DVD Tutorial (Mac)", *Television: Critical Methods & Applications*. Online at: <u>http://tvcrit3.tvcrit.com/content/view/68/116/</u>
- PC: You can create clips with VLC Player.

Saving files from YouTube or Vimeo:

- YouTube:
 - "4K Video Downloader" (PC & Mac) <u>https://www.4kdownload.com/products/product-videodownloader</u>
 - **"MacX YouTube Downloader**" (Mac) <u>http://www.macxdvd.com/free-youtube-video-downloader-mac/</u>

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- Vimeo:
 - $\circ~$ It is not always possible to save movies from Vimeo. It depends on whether the artist agrees to this and has accordingly released this function.
 - Instructions on how to save Vimeo movies can be found here: <u>http://vimeo.com/help/faq/sharing-videos/downloading-videos#how-do-idownload-a-video-file-all-i-get-is-a-new-window-with-the-video-playing</u>