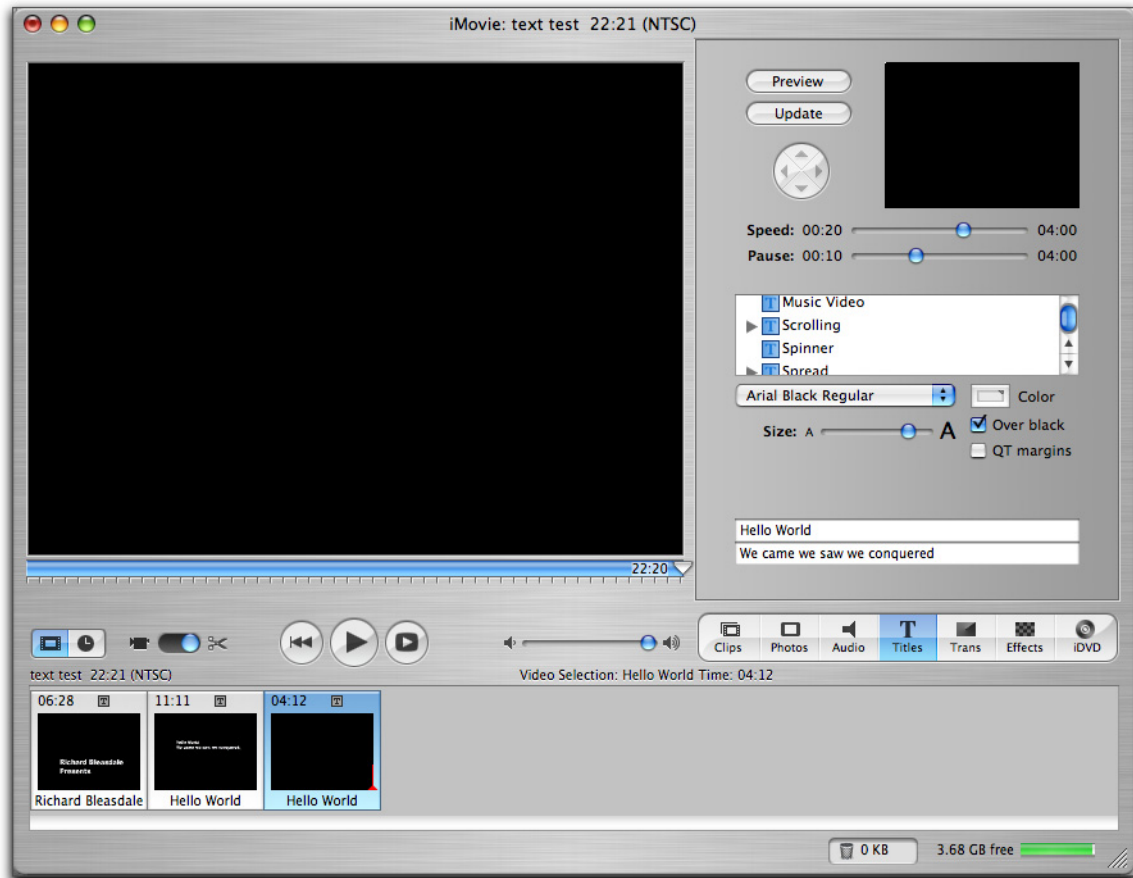


## Creating Text in iMovie

I keep getting asked about whether I will add support for text in Catalyst.

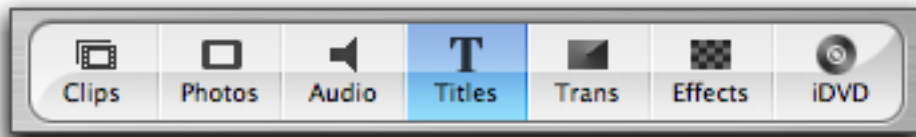


I have to reply it takes around 30 seconds to create text in iMovie that can be used directly in Catalyst.

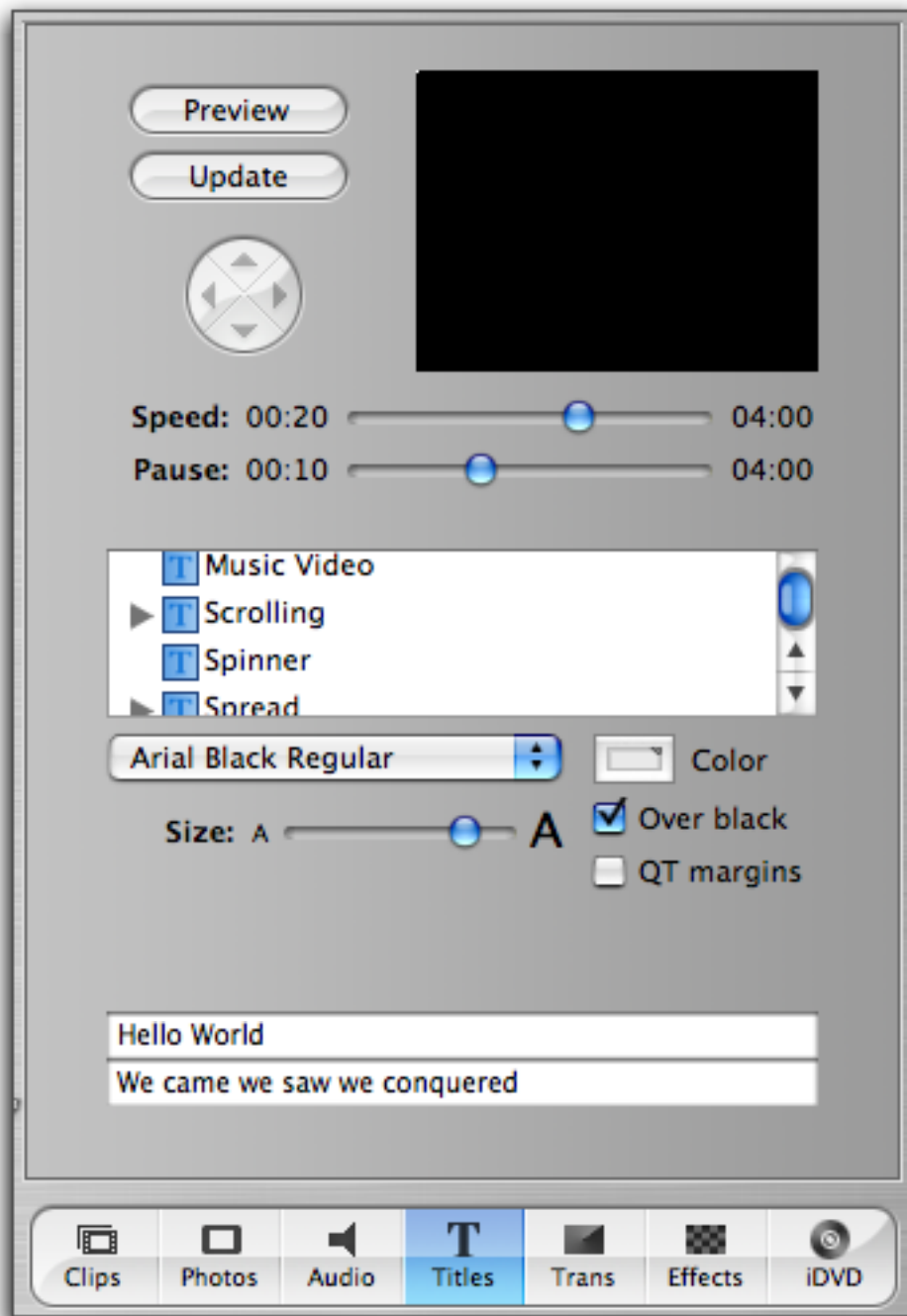
Why would I want to duplicate all that effort when iMovie ( and other programs do this so well )

Here is how:

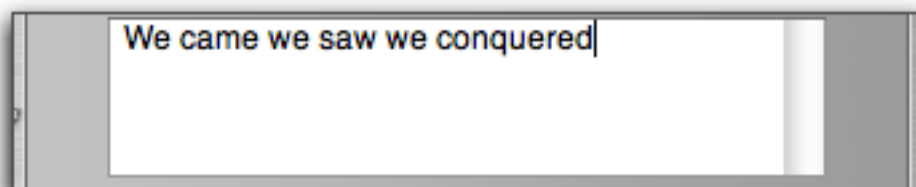
Open up iMovie. I seem to have version 4.01 here on my computer.  
Click on 'Titles'



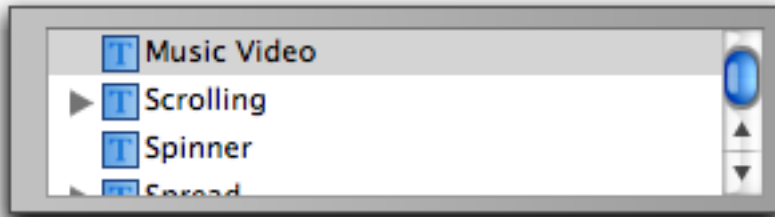
This will give you the title editor.



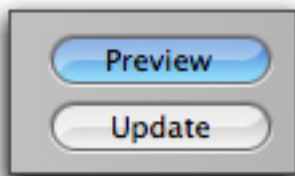
Type in some text



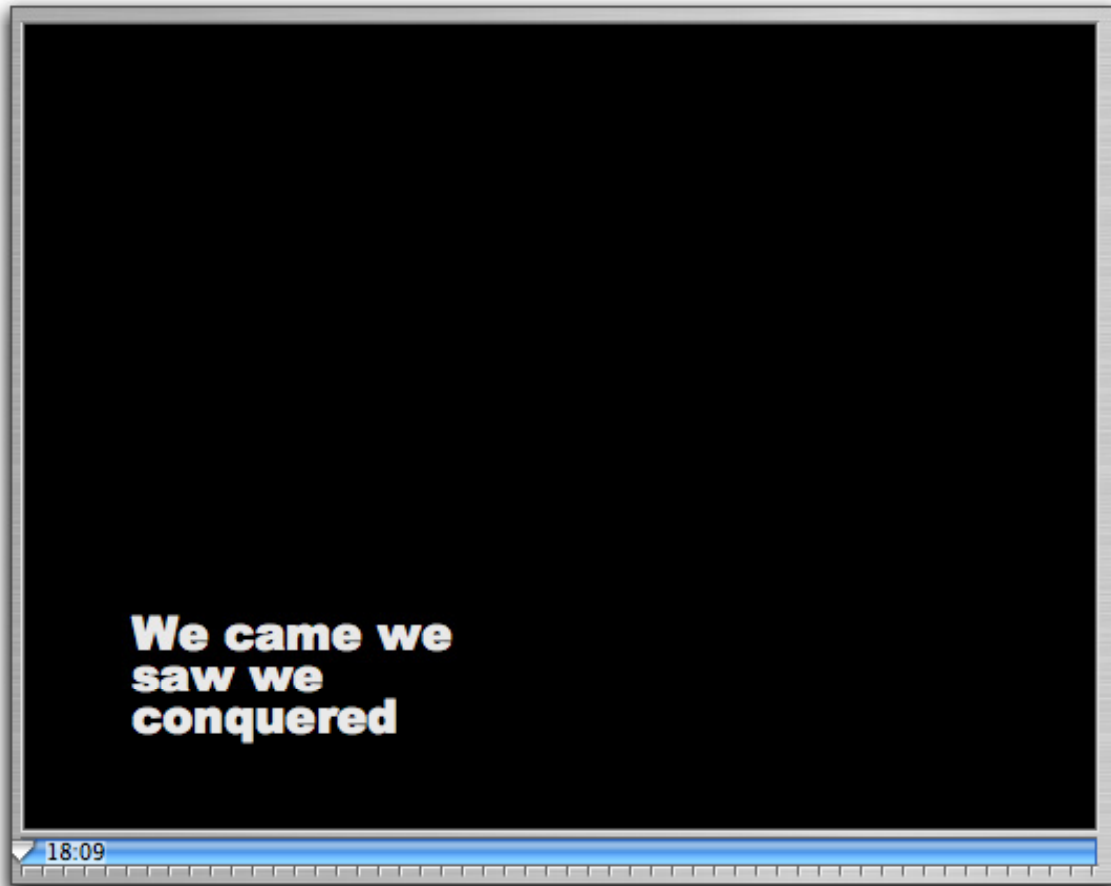
Click on a preset style and chose the text font and size



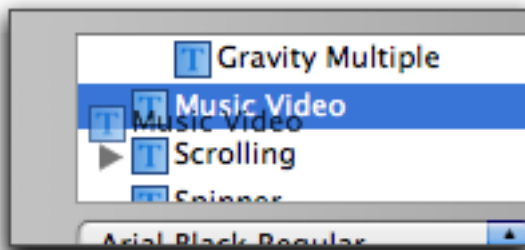
Click on Preview



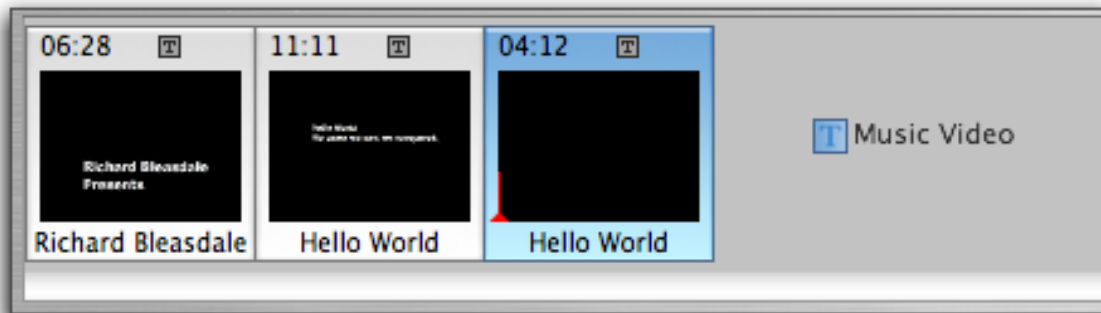
The text will be shown full size – animated if needed,



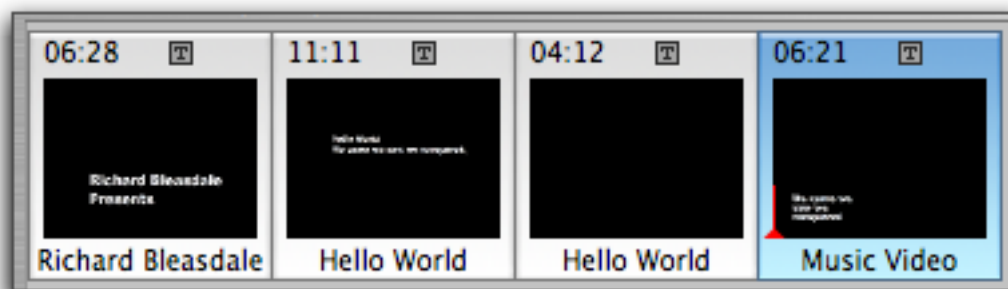
Now Click and drag in the FX type – here its called ‘Music video’



and drag this into the clips box in iMovie

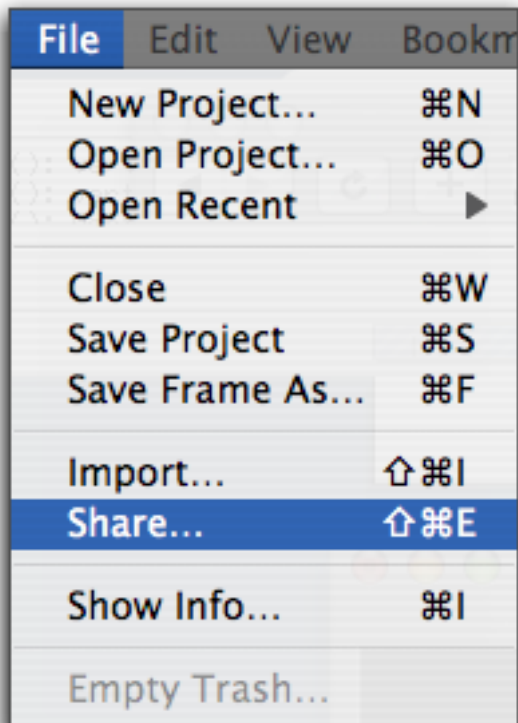


A new clip will be created



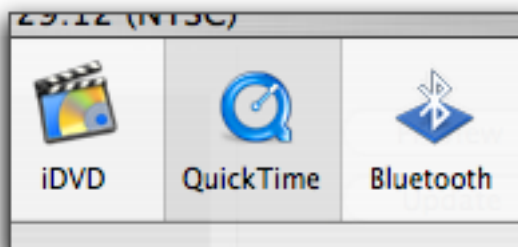
You can then export this clip as a quicktime dv movie.

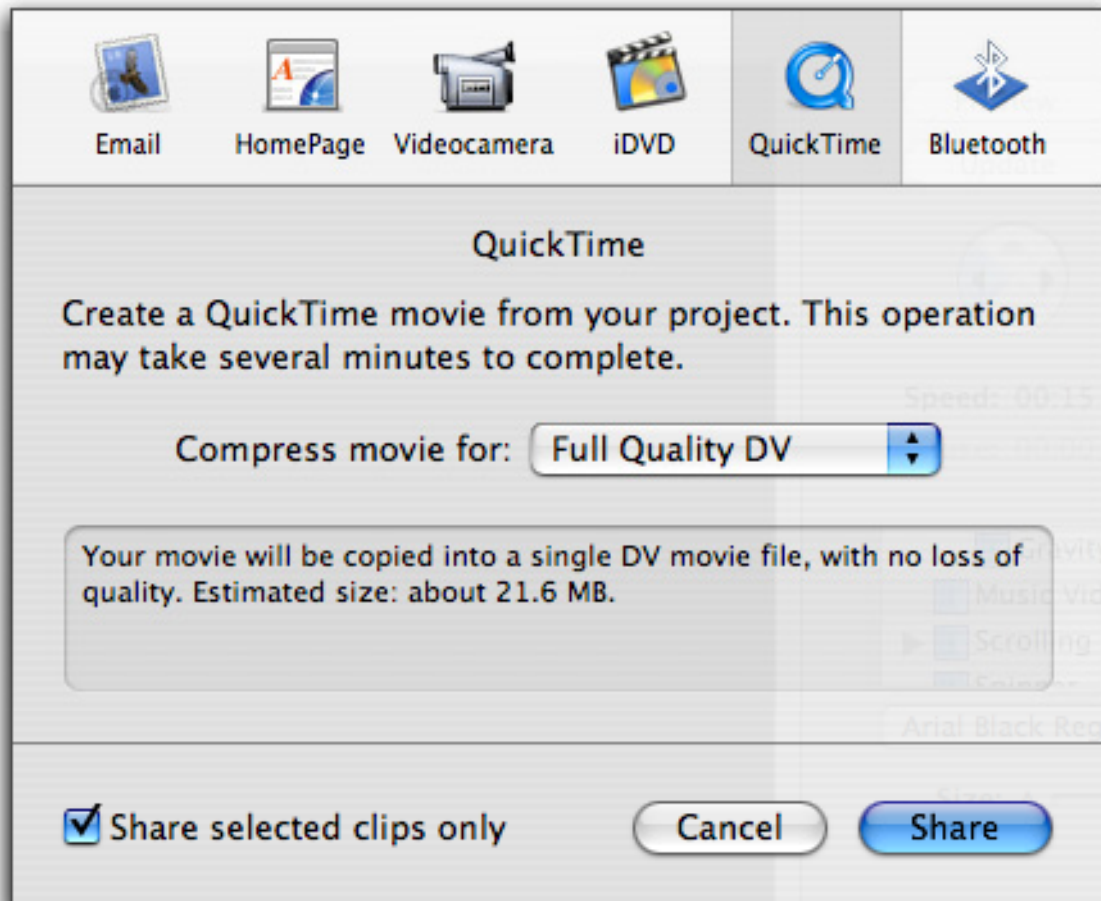
Choose the share menu from the File menu



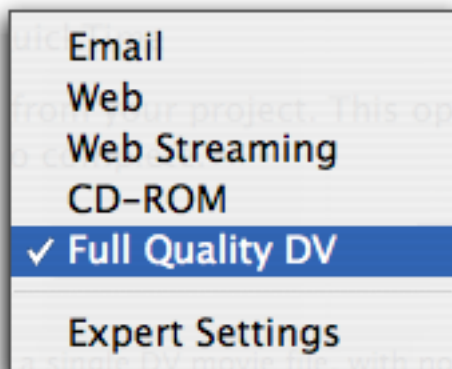
Select 'Share selected clips only' if you want to export one clips. Otherwise iMovie will create a movie containing all your text clips

Select share as 'Quicktime'

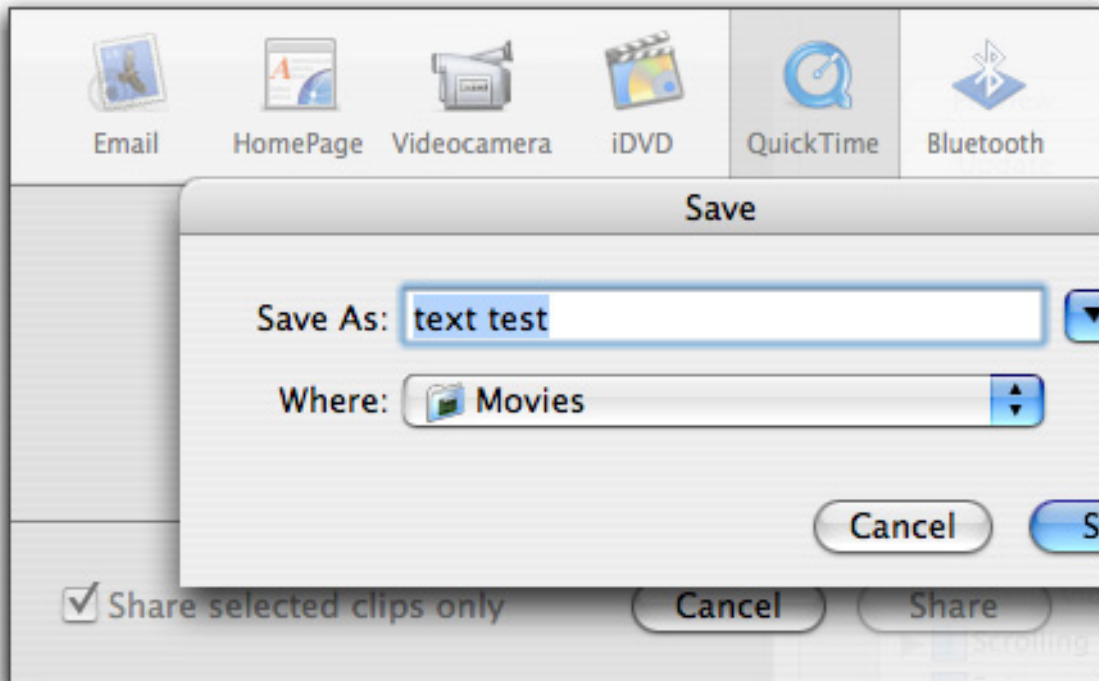




Select 'Compress Movie for':



Click on 'Share'



Choose the place to export your movie

Click on OK.

iMovie will create a fully rendered clip which you can play back in Catalyst.

Takes 30 seconds.

You can export all your text clips at the same time as one movie file if you leave 'Share Selected Clips Only' deselected.

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