

Drama, Film and Theatre Studies

Film in Focus
The Editing Process

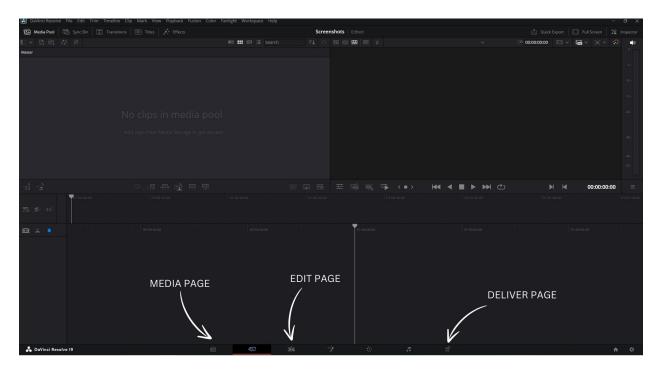




Beginning the Edit

- Step 1 Open DaVinci Resolve
- Step 2 Click on New Project in lower right corner
- **Step 3** Give your project a name
- Step 4 Click Create

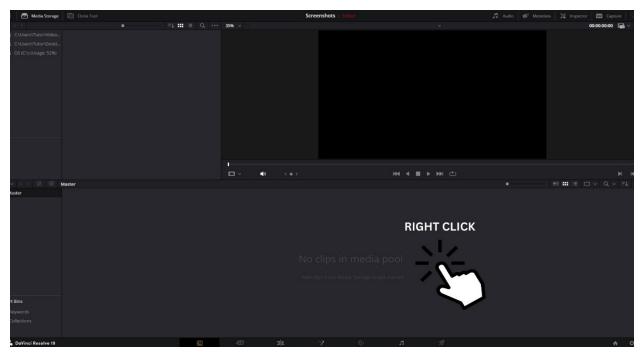
Davinci Resolve will open automatically in the Cut Screen. Look at the bottom of your screen where you'll see a series of tabs. These represent pages. The pages we will be using to edit our films are the **Media** page, the **Edit** page and the **Deliver** page. The pages are arranged in order of use, so you start on the left and finish all the way over to the right.



Step 5 Click on the **Media** page which is the first icon in the list. This is your starting point.

Step 6 Right click on the lower section and click Import Media





Step 7 Navigate to your desktop and locate your file containing footage

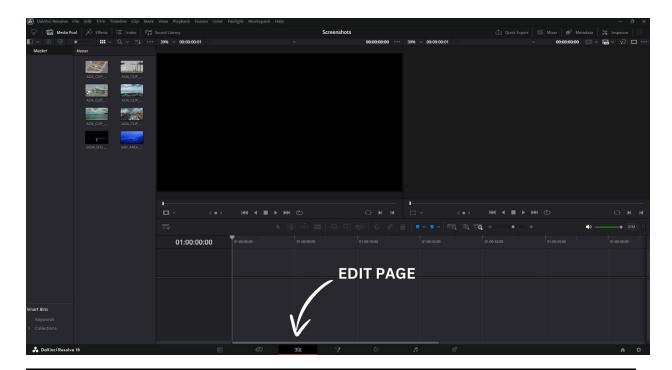
Step 8 Highlight your clips and click **Open**. The programme will display a pop-up window related to frame rates.

Click on Change Frame Rate. Your clips will appear in the media pool



Step 9 Click on the third tab at the bottom of the screen. This is the Edit tab





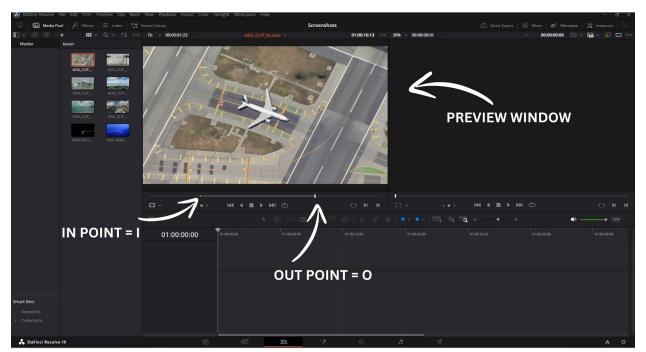
In this tab you will see your media on the left. Beside that is a **Preview Window**. This is where you will view your footage before entering onto your timeline. Next to this is your **Programme Window**. This will show your film as it progresses to a finished film. Underneath these is your **Timeline**. This is where you arrange your footage in sequence.

Step 10 Double Click on your first clip in the Media Pool. This clip will appear in your Preview Window. Move the bar underneath the window to find your starting point. This will be after you hear 'Action'.

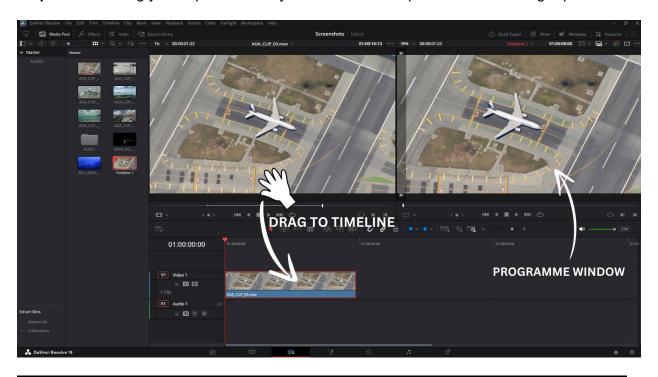
Press I for In Point. Move the bar to where you want the clip to end. This will be before you hear 'Cut'.

Press O for Out Point.





Step 11 Drag your clip down onto your timeline and repeat for all remaining clips



Things to note

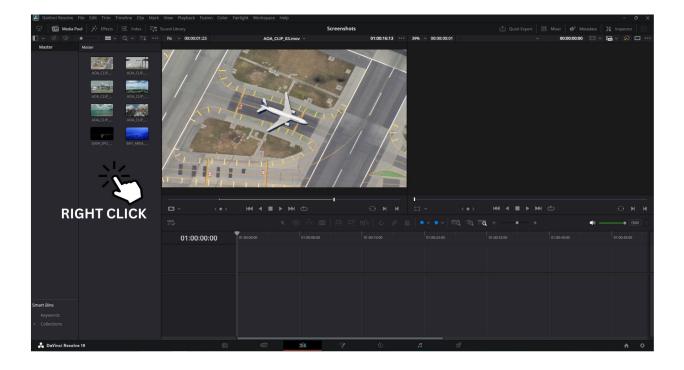
Remember to Save as you go Ctrl + S, to Undo press Ctrl + Z = Undo

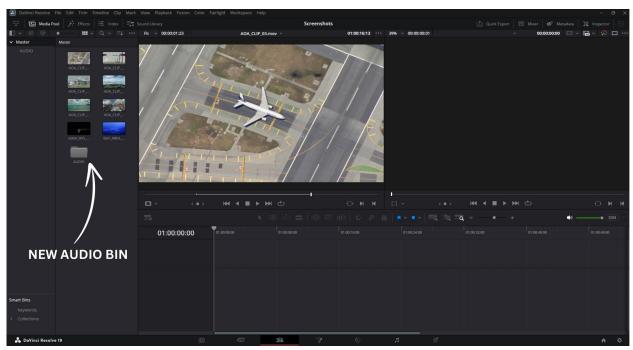


The red vertical line on your timeline is called the **Playhead.** This allows you to scrub up and down your timeline which can be viewed in the Programme Window.

Importing Music

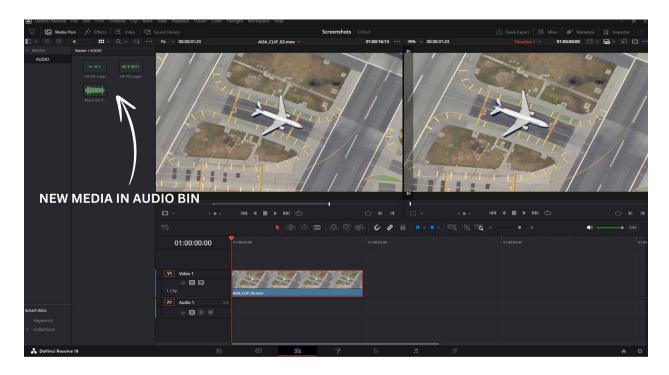
Step 1 Right click on your media pool and click New Bin. Rename it 'Audio'.





Step 2 Double click on the new bin created.

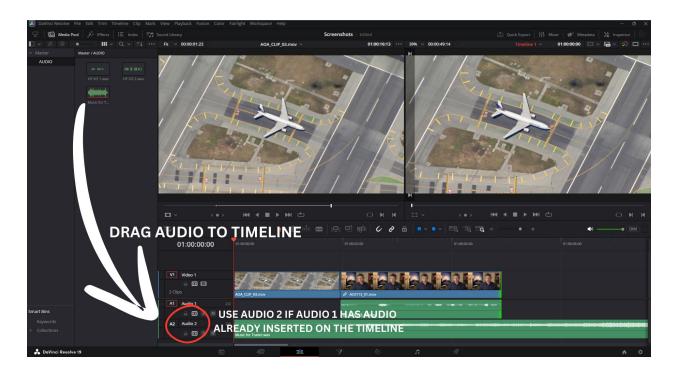
Step 3 Right click, click Import Media and navigate to your music folder on the desktop to choose the music you want. This will appear in your new bin.



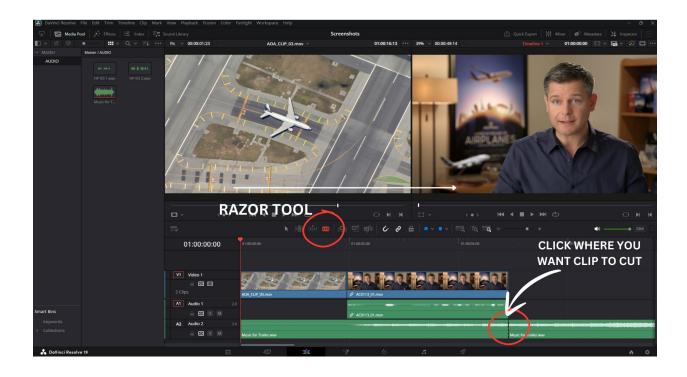
Step 4 Drag your audio clip onto your timeline Underneath your first audio line

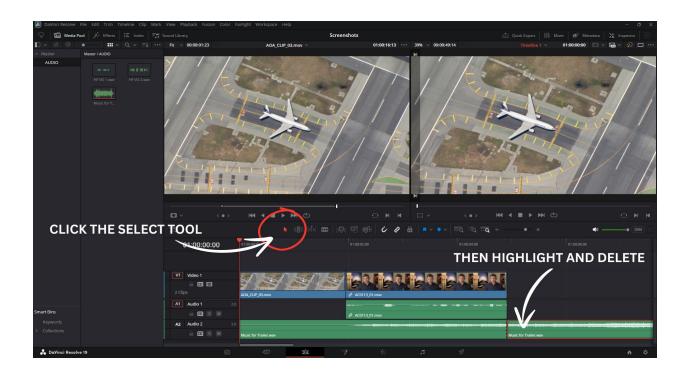


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Step 5 Use the **Razor Tool** to cut your audio to the desired length. Go back to your **Select Tool** and highlight the redundant part of the music clip. Click **Delete**

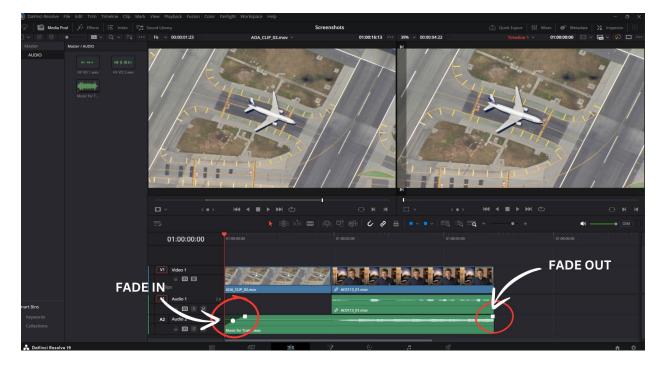




Mixing Audio - Fading in and Out

Step 1 At the beginning and end of your music clip there is a small White Tab.

Click the tab and drag to create a fade in and out effect.

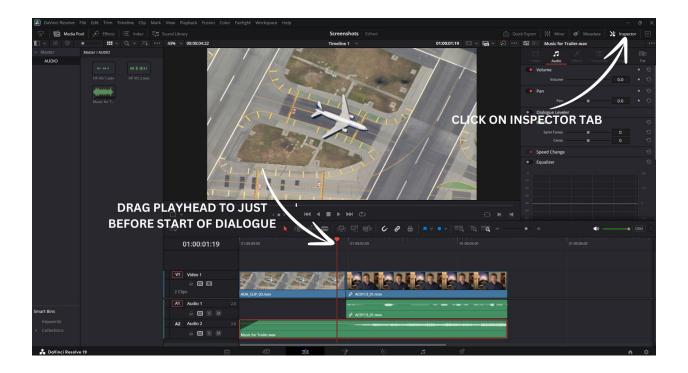




Step 2 To lower your audio levels during dialogue, highlight your music track. Click the **Inspector Tab** in the top right corner.

Step 3 Drag your Playhead just before where you want to make an adjustment. In the volume section of the Inspector Tab click on the Diamond Icon on the right.

This adds a white dot to your music track. Move your Playhead a little further and click the Diamond Icon again. This adds a second white dot to your track. Highlight the second dot and drag it down to lower the sound.



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Titles and Credits

Step 1 Click on the Effects Tab

Step 2 Click on the Titles Tab





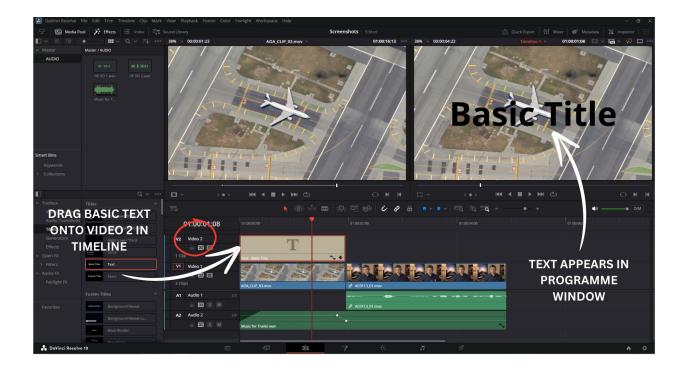
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Step 3 Drag the **Basic Title Tab** onto your timeline, making sure that you place it either on to video 2 above your film clip or at the end of your clip sequence.

Step 4 Click into the text box in the programme window to change your text.

Step 5 Click the Inspector Tab to change your font, size, colour, etc.

Use the **Anchor Points** tool to align your text.

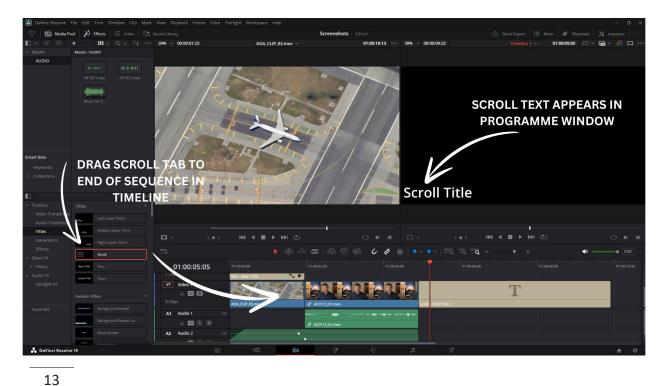




Step 6 To add Scrolling Text drag the scrolling text tab onto your timeline.

Step 7 Click on the Inspector Tab

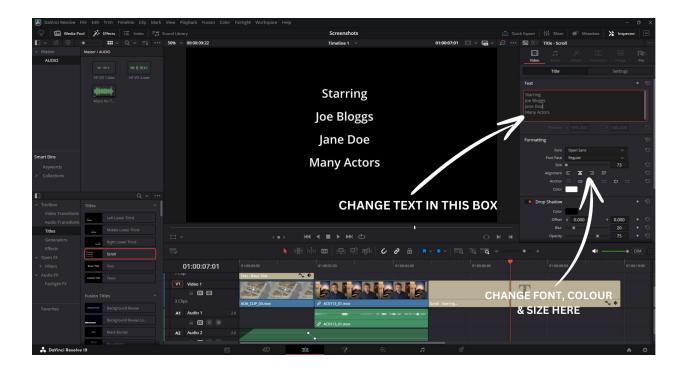
Step 8 Use the Text Box to change your text wording, font, font size, colour, etc. The speed of scrolling is determined by the length of your clip.





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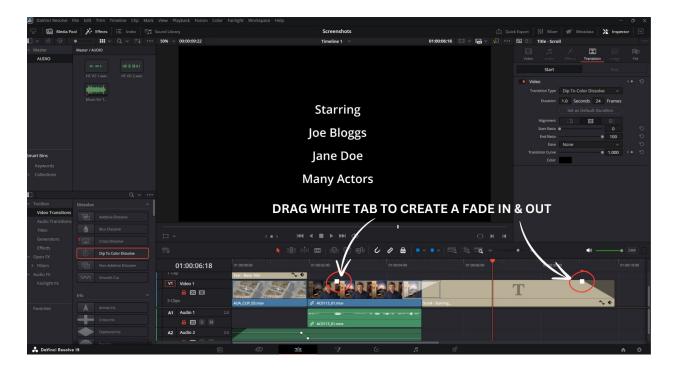
Transitions

Step 1 Click on the Video Transitions Tab

Step 2 Choose a Dissolve and drag onto your timeline. Place between 2 clips. (Most popular cross dissolve and dip to colour). You can also drag the White Tab and the beginning and end of a clip to create a fade in and out.

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Exporting

- Step 1 Click on the Rocket Tab
- Step 2 Click on H.264
- Step 3 Give your project a name
- Step 4 Click Browse and choose desktop as your file location
- Step 5 Click Add to Render Queue
- Step 6 Click Render All

