Using Memories On TV 3.0 to make Video Slide Shows of your Digital Pictures

Requires: Windows 98/Me/2000/XP, CD-RW drive. Web Address: memoriesontv.com

A. Downloading the latest version of *Memories On TV*

- 1. Open your Web browser and go to memoriesontv.com.
- 2. Click once on "Try out MemoriesOnTV".
- 3. Click once on the "Download from CNET".
- 4. Click once on "Download Now".
- 5. Click once on the **Save** button. The installer will be downloaded to your desktop. When the download is complete, you can close your Web browser.

B. Installing *Memories On TV*

- 1. Double-click on the ".exe" file that you downloaded to your desktop in the previous step.
- 2. The "Welcome to Memories On TV Setup Wizard" will be displayed. Click on Next.
- 3. Click "I accept this agreement" and click Next.
- 4. Keep on clicking Next until you get to the screen that has an Install button.
- 5. Click Install, then click Finish.

C. Using Memories On TV 3.0

- 1. Double-click on the "MemoriesOnTV" icon or select Start => Programs => Memories On TV => MemoriesOnTV.
- 2. Click **Evaluate**. (If you decide to purchase the program, click **Get Now** and follow the instructions).
- 3. Close the "Tip of the Day" window.
- 4. Use the file browser in the bottom half of the window to open the folder containing the pictures or video clips that you want to use. Click the Change view icon 💷 to see pictures.
- 5. Drag the desired files into the top window. You can combine any number of picture or video from any folder. To delete a picture, click once on it and press the delete key.
- 6. You can change the order of the pictures by dragging and dropping within the top panel. Check to make sure all the pictures are upright. If any of the pictures need to be rotated, double-click that picture, click the **Transform** tab, and click the desired rotation.
- 7. To preview the slide show so far, click the purple **Preview** button, then click on the small thumbnail picture to view the slide show. Click the close box to cancel the preview mode.
- 8. If you want to add background music, click the Music button near the center of the window. Click the + button in the bottom left corner of the window, navigate to the "My Music" folder, and double-click on the desired music file (it must be in MP3 or WAV format). (Note: the program does not come with music; you must already have the music on your computer. You can download free music from freeplaymusic.com or you can copy songs from music CDs onto your computer using *Windows Media Player 10*.)

You can also add a bit of narration or music or a sound affect to an *individual* slide, overlaid with the background music: double-click that picture and click the **Music** tab. Click the [...] button to select a sound file, click **Open**, then click **OK**.

9. If you want to crop a picture (show only a portion of the picture), double-click that picture and click the **Transform** tab at the bottom. Click the **Crop** button on the right. Drag any of the small black squares in the corners of the picture to define the desired picture area. You can also drag the center of the area. Click **OK**.

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- 10. If you want to manually control the panning and zooming effect on any picture, doubleclick that picture and click the **Pan/Zoom** tab at the bottom. Use the **Zoom** slider and drag the picture to define the *start* of that frame, then click the little > button and use the **Zoom** slider and drag the picture to define the *end* of that frame. Click **OK** when finished.
- 11. If you want to add a title or text label to any picture, double-click that picture and click the **Text** tab. Click the + button, then double-click the blue line. Select the desired font, size, and color, and type the text. Drag the text to the desired position on the picture. Click **Done**. To add another text label to the same slide, click + and repeat. When you are finished adding text labels that that picture, click **OK**. (Optional: You can also assign animation effects to each text label, like *Powerpoint*. To do this, double-click any slide that has text labels, then edit or select the items under the column heading "Start Time", "Effect", "Duration", "Effect Duration" to choose text effects and set timing for that label).
- 12. If you want to change the transition effect between the slides, click the **Import** button near the center of the window and then click the Timeline button is near the top of the window. This displays the slide show in timeline mode. Click on the little icons between two slides and select the desired transition from the pop-up menu. To preview the effect, click the previous slide and click the Start button (triangle in the circle). You can also change how long each slide is displayed by editing the number displayed below each slide.
- 13. If you want to add more pictures, click the **Import** button near the center of the window and drag more pictures into the slide show. If you want to have another group of pictures that has different background music, click on the small + button at the left center of the screen and select **New Track** from the pop-up menu. Then add pictures and music as before. Tracks play sequentially without pause. (When you play it on a DVD player, you can skip to the next track by pressing the **skip** or **next** button on the remote control).
- 14. If you want to make *another slide show video on the same disk*, click on the small + button at the left center of the screen and select **New Album** from the pop-up menu. Each slide show is called an "album". They are initially named "Album 1", "Album 2", etc, but you can re-name them by clicking on the name in the top left panel and typing a new name. You can have up to 12 separate albums on one DVD. Each album will be displayed on the DVD menu as a little thumbnail picture that can be selected and played independently.
- 15. You should save your project often, just in case it freezes or crashes, so you won't loose all your work up until then. Select File => Save, give it a suitable name, and click Save. The default save location is the "My Documents" folder. You can open up the saved project later, edit it in any way (add or delete pictures or change anything), and generate a new video and burn a new video disk (but you can't edit the disk itself after it's burned).
- 16. To create an MPEG file of your video (for viewing on a computer screen or Web page), click the **Burn** button, click "**Generate new video**", click the **Options** button, and click "Generate MPEG files only". Finally, click the **Start** button. No CD-RW burner is required. The MPEG files will be stored in My Document/MemoriesOnTV/untitled/.
- 17. To burn a disc to view on TV, click the **Burn** button, click **VCD**, **SVCD**, or **DVD** at the top of the screen, and click "Generate new video and burn onto disc". Put in a blank CD-R (or DVD-R) disc into your CD-RW (or DVD-RW) drive, select that drive from the **Disk Writer** menu, and click **Start**. Once you have burned the first disc, making additional copies is very quick; just put a blank disc in, click on "**Burn existing video onto Disk**", and click the **Start** button.