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### How To: Create an Audition Video

#### **MATERIALS**

- A quiet room for recording
- Device for filming
  - Digital Camera
  - Smart phone with a camera (iPhone, Android, Google Pixel, etc.)
  - Go-Pro
  - Laptop with webcam for filming
- Visible clock or stopwatch (digital or analog)
- Music Stand
- Instrument and accessories
- Required audition music

#### **SETTING UP FOR YOUR VIDEO**

- Find a quiet room with little to no distractions for recording your video. Select a quiet time of day to record and make sure all the windows are closed to your recording space before you begin. You can use blankets, pillows, and other absorptive materials to block out any excess noise. Your space should have decent lighting, enough space for comfortable recording and playing, and little to no clutter in the background.
- The video should focus on *you*. The camera should not be so far away that you appear small and should not be so close that your body does not fit in the frame. A good rule of thumb is to set up your camera/camera phone as if it is an audience member at a recital, preferably a few feet away.
- Make sure a clock or stopwatch is visible by the camera. This can be a digital clock, analog clock, or large stopwatch on a computer or phone (make sure it is close enough to the camera to read).

#### **FILMING YOUR VIDEO**

- Do a test video to make sure that your lighting, sound, and camera placement are the way that you want them. Make any adjustments necessary until you are pleased with the result of the test video.
  - Lighting can be adjusted by closing or opening blinds, recording at different times of day, or centering more lights on you as you are performing. Lighting should come mainly from the front and sides, too much lighting from behind you will cause the video to be dark and fuzzy.
  - Sound can be adjusted by limiting the clutter in a room, hanging curtains or blankets on the walls of a large, echoing room, and placing a carpet down on the floor of an echoing room.

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- Once you are happy with the setting of your video, begin recording. You are required to upload an unedited and unaccompanied video performing the required repertoire.
  - Jazz and Modern Band students may use a backing track for their audition unless otherwise specified.

### **UPLOADING YOUR VIDEO**

- The following video files are accepted – MP4, MOV, AVI, MPG, 3GP, FLV, WEBM, WMV, MKV, and M4V.
  - Please note, the total size of video files submitted cannot exceed 8GB. If your video audition file is too large, please upload to YouTube or Vimeo. List the link in the File Upload URL section.

### **How to Upload a Video to YouTube: As Unlisted**

Go to your YouTube channel and add a video

- Log in to your YouTube channel
- If you do not have a YouTube account, you can create one by going to <https://www.youtube.com/> and clicking “Sign In” in the upper right-hand corner
  - Click “Create Account” at the bottom of the page
  - Input your information
  - Click “Next”
  - Input any other necessary information
  - Click “Next”
  - Read the Terms of Service and click “I Agree”
- Click your account icon in the upper right-hand corner
- Select “Your Channel” from the drop-down menu
- Click the add video button in the upper right-hand corner (looks like a video camera)
- From the drop-down menu, select “Upload video”



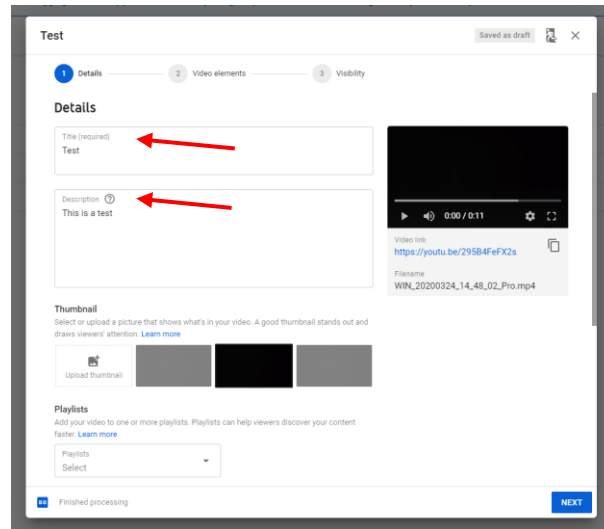
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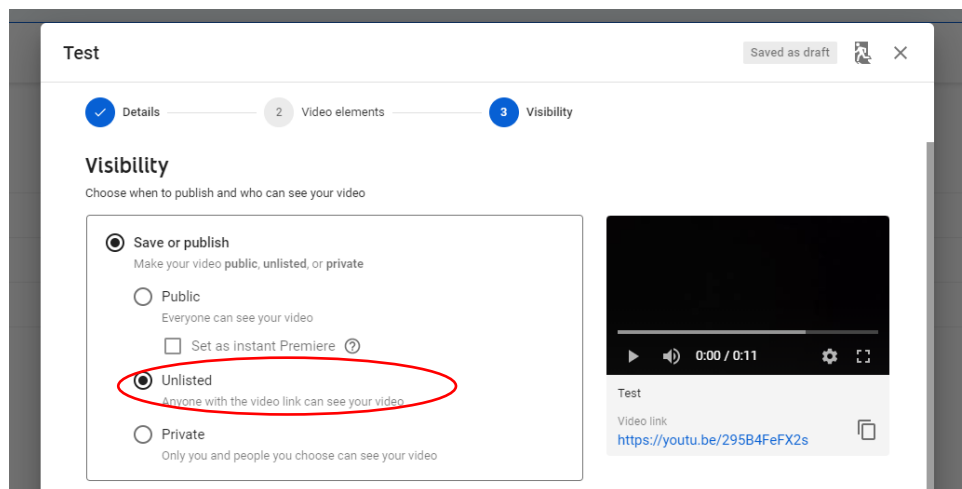
Upload your YouTube video

- Click “Select files to upload”
- Select the audition video file that you wish to upload
- Add a title and description for your video under the step labeled “Details”



Choose “unlisted” as your YouTube video visibility

- Click on the work “Unlisted” under “Save or Publish” – this will allow people to view your video from a link, it will not be searchable online



Publish your video to YouTube

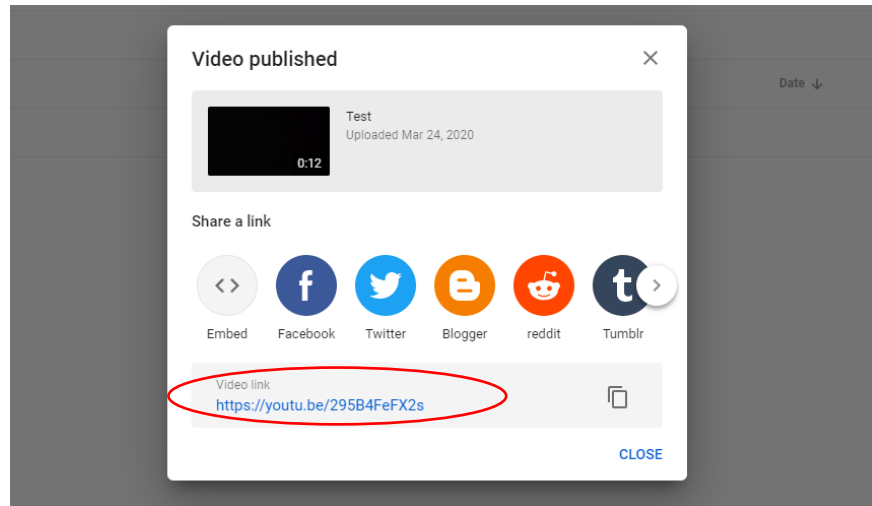
- Double check that you have selected “Unlisted” and that all the desired information is filled out in “Details”
- Click the “Save” button in the lower right-hand corner

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Share your video's link

- Copy the URL provided and include it in your ANHE Application under "File Upload URL"



**How to Upload a Video to Vimeo: With a free account**

Log in to your Vimeo account

- Go to [https://vimeo.com/log\\_in](https://vimeo.com/log_in)
- Enter the email and password created at the time of sign up
- If you do not already have a Vimeo account, you can join at the bottom of the page (you will need to verify your email address before continuing)

Upload your Vimeo video

- Click on the "My Videos" tab
- Click on "Upload a Video"
- Click "Choose a video to upload"
- Select the audition video file that you wish to upload
- Click "Upload Selected Video"

OPTIONAL: Video Customization

- If you wish, you can add a Title, Description, and Tags to your video
- Set the content rating to "All Audiences"
- Setting a Custom URL
  - Click on the "Advanced" tab
  - Create the custom URL for easy sharing

Publish your video to Vimeo

- Once the video is done uploading, click "Done! Go to Video"

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- The video will automatically start converting into a higher video quality (this will take some time; Vimeo will send you an email once the conversion is complete)

Share your video's link

- Click on the "My Videos" tab
- Select the video you wish to share
- Click on the paper airplane icon in the upper right-hand corner of the video
- Copy the URL provided and include it in your ANHE Application under "File Upload URL"