

READ ME — QuickTime external tool Canvas for Windows

The QuickTime tool is used to play QuickTime movies in Canvas. The QuickTime tool icon (which looks like a movie camera) appears in the Object Tools palette when the QuickTime external tool is active.

You must activate the QuickTime external tool in order to use this tool. To do so, use the ToolPicker dialog box or the Tool Loader command in the Managers menu; refer to your Canvas for Windows manuals for more information.

You must also have QuickTime for Windows installed on your computer in order to use the QuickTime tool in Canvas. QuickTime for Windows is available from Apple Computer.

Placing a Movie in Canvas

To place a QuickTime movie in Canvas at its default size, select the QuickTime tool from the Object Tools palette and click where you want the top left corner of the movie to appear in the document. To size the movie as you place it, position the pointer where you want the top left corner to appear and drag to where you want the bottom right corner to be.

In either case, when you release the mouse button, a directory dialog box appears from which you can choose a movie to open. QuickTime movie files have the extension .MOV. Select the movie file you want to open and choose the OK button to place it in Canvas.

Once you bring a movie into Canvas, you can select it and reposition, resize, cut, copy, or paste it like any Canvas object.

Playing a Movie in Canvas

Double-click a movie to play it. To stop the movie, click the mouse button. Use the Movie Controller, located at the bottom of the movie, to pause the movie, play it frame-by-frame, or adjust its volume (if it has sound).

Movie Controller

The Movie Controller, displayed at the bottom of the movie, controls the playback of the movie. To use the Movie Controller options, first double-click the movie to make it active.

Volume control: Click the speaker icon at the left end of the Movie Controller to turn the movie's sound on or off. When the sound is on, the Fader control (a vertical slider bar) appears. Drag the slider on the Fader control to adjust the movie's volume.

Start button: Click the Start button (a right-facing arrow icon) to play or pause the movie. When the movie is playing, the right-facing arrow icon changes to two parallel lines. The movie stops when it reaches the end.

Belt: The Belt displays the current movie position. Drag the slider or click the Belt to move to a different frame in the movie. As you move to the right in the Belt, the frames advance.

Left step button: Click this icon (a right-facing arrow with an adjacent vertical line) to advance the movie one frame at a time.

Right step button: Click this icon (a left-facing arrow with an adjacent vertical line) to move backward one frame at a time.

Grow box: Drag the Grow box, located at the right end of the Movie Controller, to resize the Movie Controller.

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