Memory Lane

Production Process

Technology & Software
1. Windows 11 operating system
2. Slides - Adobe Photoshop
3. Slide Show – NCH Photostage
4. Office 365 Word w/ Copilot
5. YouTube Premium
6. ClipGrab
7. VLC Media Maker
8. Filezilla FTP

Formatting a 50-Minute Show

Part A – History slides based on a particular date:

1. The categories of data are events, births, deaths, top popular songs, top movies, and top TV shows which occur on or near the specific date.

2. A "base slide" slide is created in Photoshop with the colors and outline edges for that show. The data for each category is AI generated in Word using CoPilot (ChatGPT5). The data is copied and pasted onto a slide.

3. The finished slides are uploaded into the Photostage bins and timed for readability when played. Using Google images, relevant images are downloaded and inserted between the data slides to illustrate the data.

4. A music piece is selected from YouTube and downloaded using ClipGrab. The YouTube video is converted into VLC and the audio is stripped out as a music (mp3) file, then loaded into Photostage as an underlying melody for all the Part A slides.

5. Part A is then tested for speed/volume and saved as a Photostage project to be exported as Part A video (mp4). Part A is generally 5-7 minutes of the show and takes about 1-2 days depending on schedules. A day's work usually consists of about 3- 4 hours

Part B – History examples mentioned in Part A:
1. YouTube videos are searched, downloaded using ClipGrab and loaded into a new project in Photostage.

2. Each video is trimmed and adjusted for volume and transition: Sometimes, a black slide is placed between videos to create a certain effect.   The Part B project is saved and ready to export to an mp4 video. Part B usually consists of 2-3 songs, 2 movies, and 2 TV shows based on the data in Part A and usually takes 1-2 days. Part B is usually about 13-15 minutes long.

 3. Tribute or Theme section
This part of the show consists of searching YouTube for data. The videos are downloaded and put in Photostage, then trimmed and adjusted for sound and transitions. The sequence of the videos is important for effect. Project saved and ready to export to an mp4 video. This usually takes about 1-2 days, and it is about 12-44 minutes.

Part C – The Rest of the Show:
The process is the same. Find good performances on YouTube, often with enough variety to keep interest. This part of the show is often about 20 minutes long. Part C is saved and ready to export to an mp4 video. This usually takes about 1-2 days

Part D - Final Part:
Each part above is exported to video 1080X720 mp4 file. The last project is opened in Photoshop, and all the videos are placed in line, tested for volume and transition, saved as a final project and exported to a 1080X720 final mp4.

Part E - Website
The final show is uploaded to my webhost site (1&1) in the donlinda.net directory. The webpage is written in Word and saved as an ".htm" file. Filezilla FTP client is used to connect and upload the file and the webpage.

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