



# Creative Commons/Digital Storytelling Resources Compilation

*Below are sources that provide downloadable free music, video, and image files. The music is provided by artists who want to promote their songs. The files are licensed with a creative commons license, making it legal for you to download the material. Some files are public domain because their copyrights have expired. We suggest that you give credit to the artist in your credits slide/reference list when using the material in a digital story.*

## Digital Storytelling Sites:

- <http://digitalstory.osu.edu/>
- <https://commons.georgetown.edu/projects/digitalstories/>

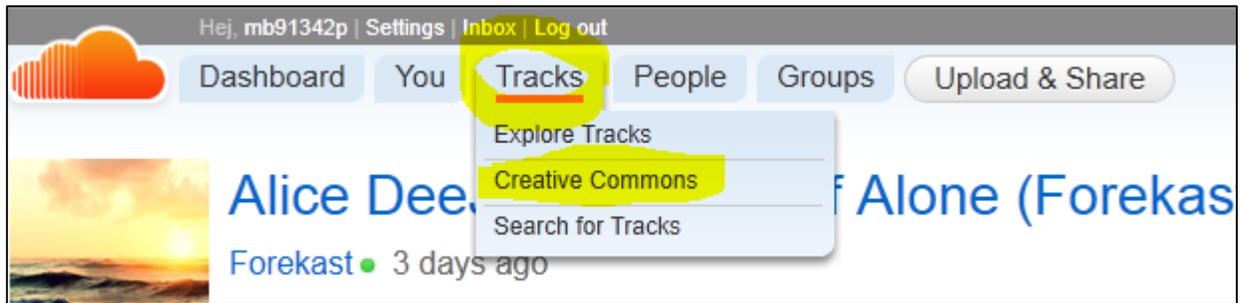
## Legal Music:

- <http://soundcloud.com/>
- <https://addons.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/addon/video-downloadhelper/>
- <http://audiofarm.org/>, <http://dig.ccmixer.org/>
- [http://www.resources.bravenet.com/audio\\_clips](http://www.resources.bravenet.com/audio_clips)
- <http://www.flashkit.com/loops/>
- <http://www.soundzabound.com/>
- <http://incompetech.com/m/c/royalty-free/>
- <http://www.freebase.com/>

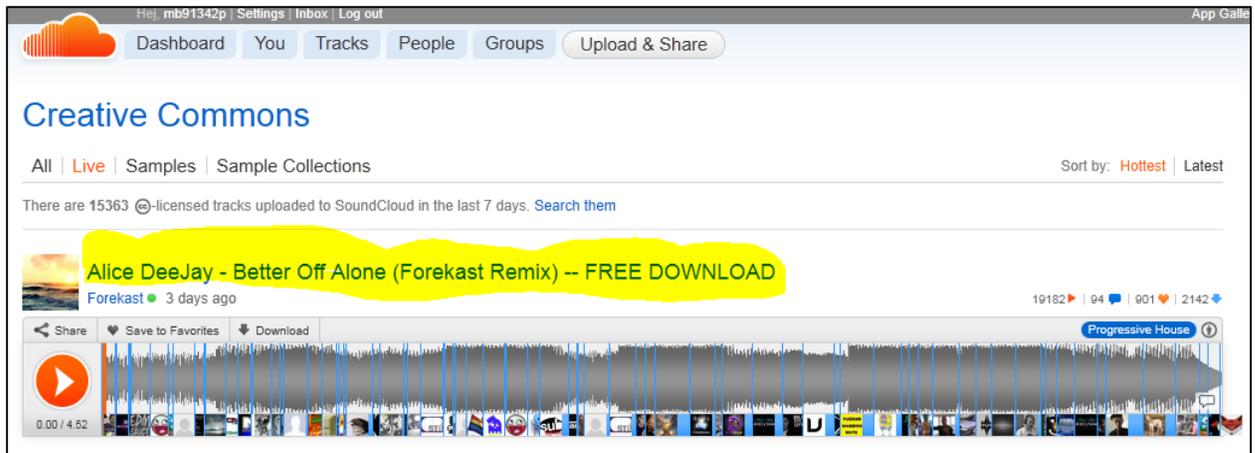
## **Save External Music to Your Computer from Sound Cloud:**

Create an account, and log in to <http://soundcloud.com/>.

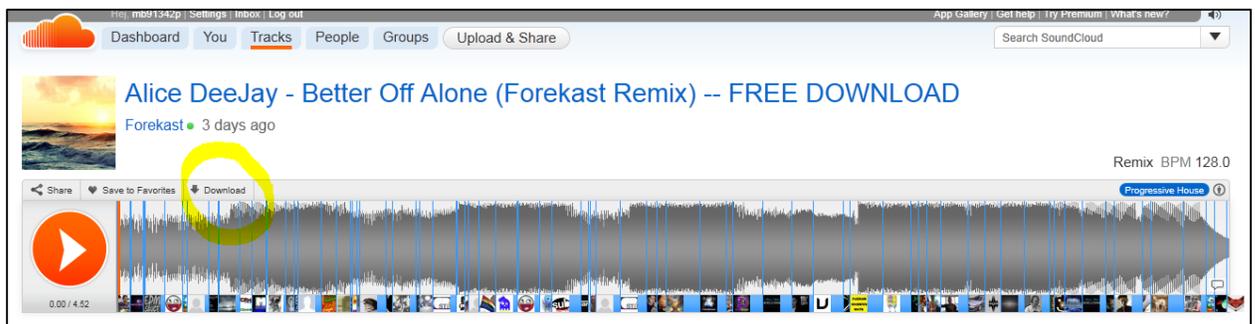
Once you are logged in, click “tracks” and “creative commons” (as shown in yellow below.) This will bring you to licensed songs that you are allowed to legally download.



Next, click on the name of the track that you would like to download (as shown below in yellow.)



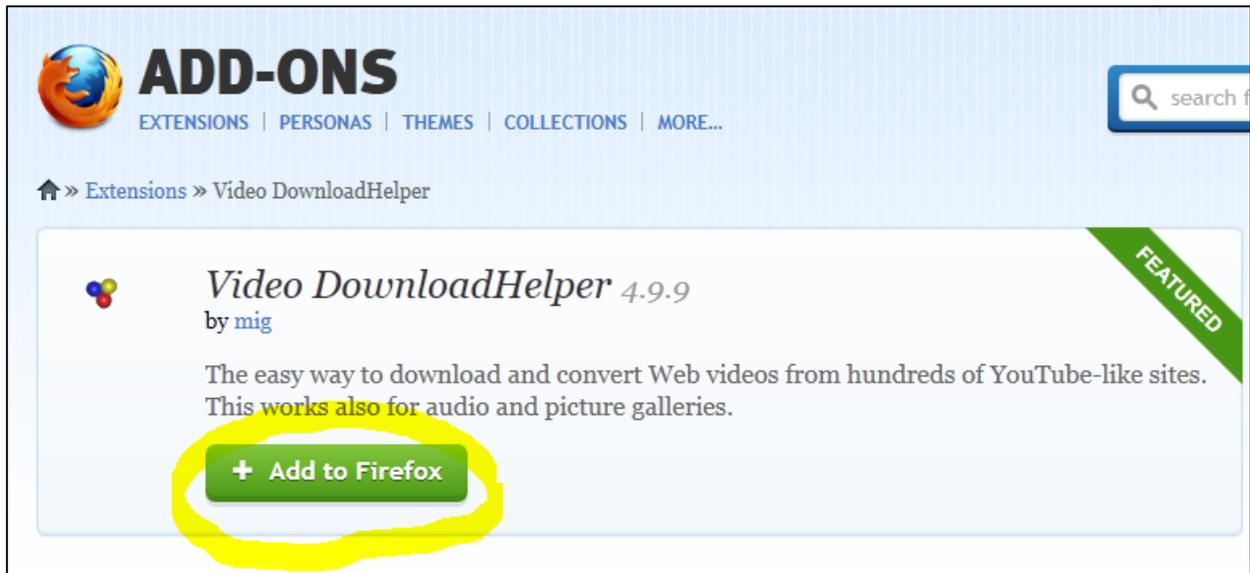
Then, click "download" as shown below circled in yellow. If the "download" button is grayed out, it cannot be downloaded because it has already reached its limit of users.





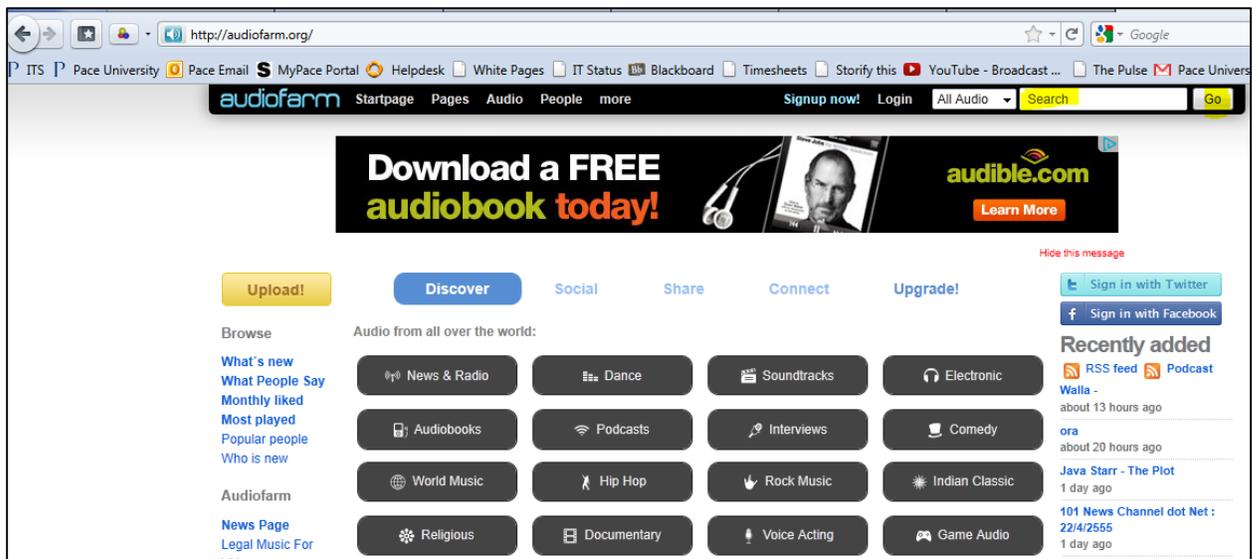
### Save External Music to Your Computer from Audio Farm:

An add-on called “Video DownloadHelper” can be used with to save most videos to your computer. This add-on only works with Mozilla Firefox. The link to the download is: <https://addons.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/addon/video-downloadhelper/>. Click “Add to Firefox” to use the add-on.

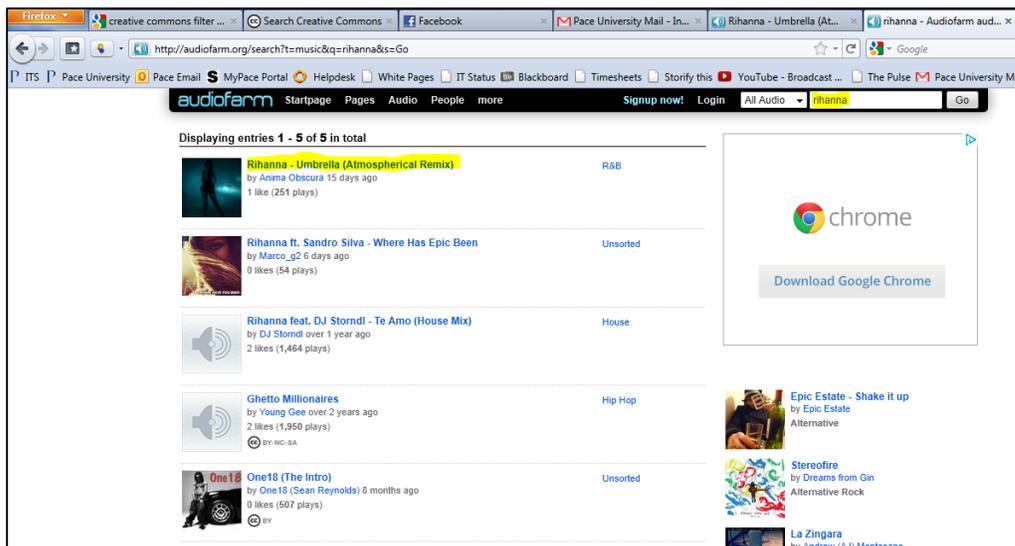


Once the Video DownloadHelper is downloaded, you will have this icon  on your browser. When you come across a video, you can click it to download the video. You must be using Mozilla Firefox to use this icon.

To download a music file from Audio Farm, visit <http://audiofarm.org/> and choose which type of music you are looking for. If you know the name or artist of a specific song you are looking for, you can type it in the search box at the top right portion of your screen (as shown below in yellow.)



As an example, I typed in “Rihanna” and five videos came up. I chose one, and clicked the title (as shown below highlighted in yellow.) The song automatically begins to play.



The next step is to click the DownloadHelper icon dropdown menu (circled in yellow below) and choose “2-anima-obscura-rihanna-umbrella-atmospherical-remix-1.mp3.” This will download the song and save it to your computer.



These songs can now be uploaded on digital storytelling tools, like Windows Live Movie Maker.

#### Legal Images:

- <http://www.behold.cc/>,
- <http://flickrcc.bluemountains.net/flickrCC/index.php>
- [http://www.google.com/advanced\\_image\\_search?hl=en](http://www.google.com/advanced_image_search?hl=en)
- <http://www.everystockphoto.com/>
- <http://www.public-domain-image.com/>
- <http://www.istockphoto.com/>
- <http://www.stockvault.net/>,
- <http://digitalgallery.nypl.org/nypldigital/index.cfm>
- <http://www.picfindr.com/>, <http://pics4learning.com/>
- <http://openclipart.org/>, <http://www.freefoto.com/index.jsp>
- <http://www.picturehistory.com/>
- <http://www.photolib.noaa.gov/collections.html>
- <http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/index.html>
- <http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/images.cfm>
- <http://www.loc.gov/teachers/>

#### **Save Safe “Google” Images to Your Computer:**

To search Google for reusable images, visit Google’s advanced image search:

[http://www.google.com/advanced\\_image\\_search?hl=en](http://www.google.com/advanced_image_search?hl=en). Then, fill out the search as usual. When you get to “usage rights” use the dropdown to filter the images by the license that works for you. I usually search for images that are “free to use, share, or modify.” Then click “advanced search” as shown below in yellow, and your safe images will come up.



Then narrow your results by...

image size:  Find images in any size you need.

aspect ratio:  Specify the shape of images.

colors in image:  any color  full color  black & white  this color:  Find images in your preferred colors.

type of image:  Limit the kind of images you find.

region:  Find images published in a particular region.

site or domain:  Search one site (like `sfmoma.org`) or limit your results to a domain like `.edu`, `.org` or `.gov`

SafeSearch:  off  moderate  strict Tell SafeSearch how much explicit sexual content to filter.

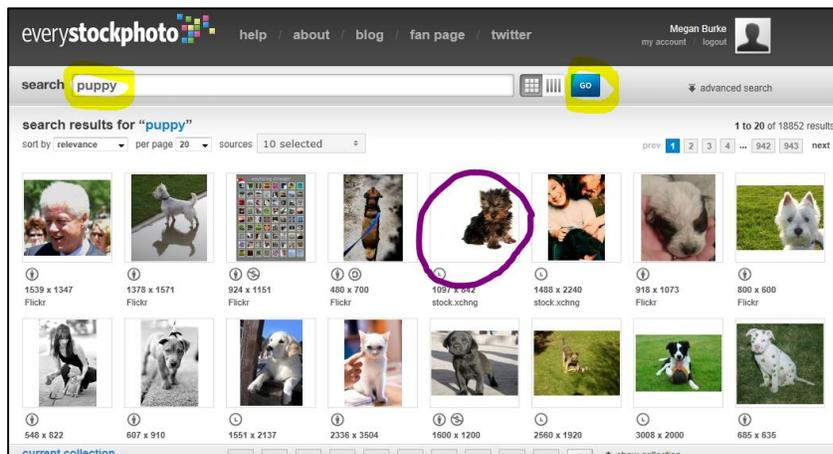
file type:  Find images in the format you prefer.

usage rights:  Find images you are free to use yourself.

**Advanced Search**

### Save “Every Stock Photo” Images to Your Computer:

First, visit <http://www.everystockphoto.com/>, and create an account. Then, search for an image you would like to include in your digital story.



Click the image (as circled in purple above) and click the image again (as circled in purple below.)



This will bring you to a page that shows “usage options” as shown below circled in yellow. When you click usage options, legal information appears. For example, this image can be used “in digital format on websites, multimedia presentations, broadcast film and video, cell phones.”



**Legal Videos:**

- <http://blip.tv>
- <https://addons.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/addon/video-downloadhelper/>
- <http://keepvid.com/>

**Save External Videos to Your Computer:**

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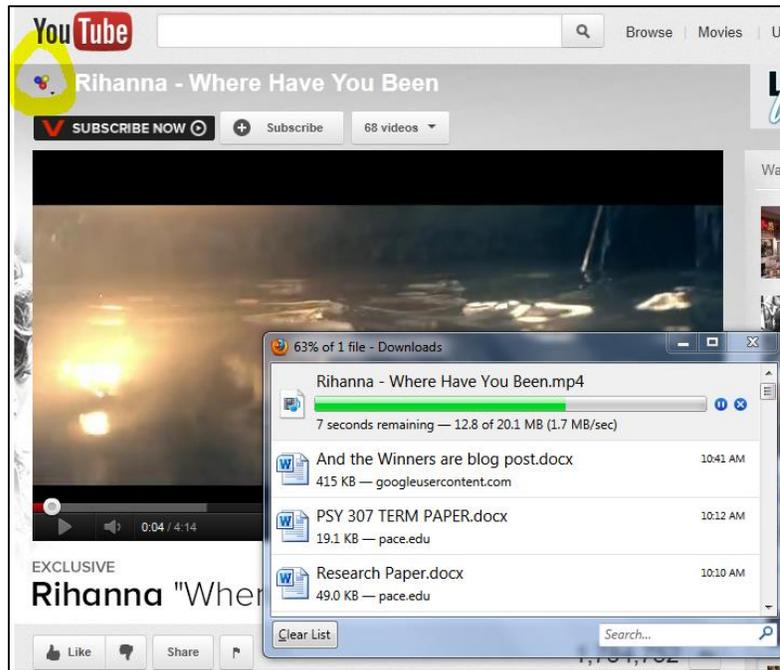
The easy way to download and convert Web videos from hundreds of YouTube-like sites. This works also for audio and picture galleries.

**+ Add to Firefox**

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For example, I can download a scientific method video with from <http://blip.tv> by clicking the icons dropdown, and choosing "The\_Scientific\_Method\_of\_Oz\_Reel\_Science\_on\_Blip.mp4." The download will automatically begin!

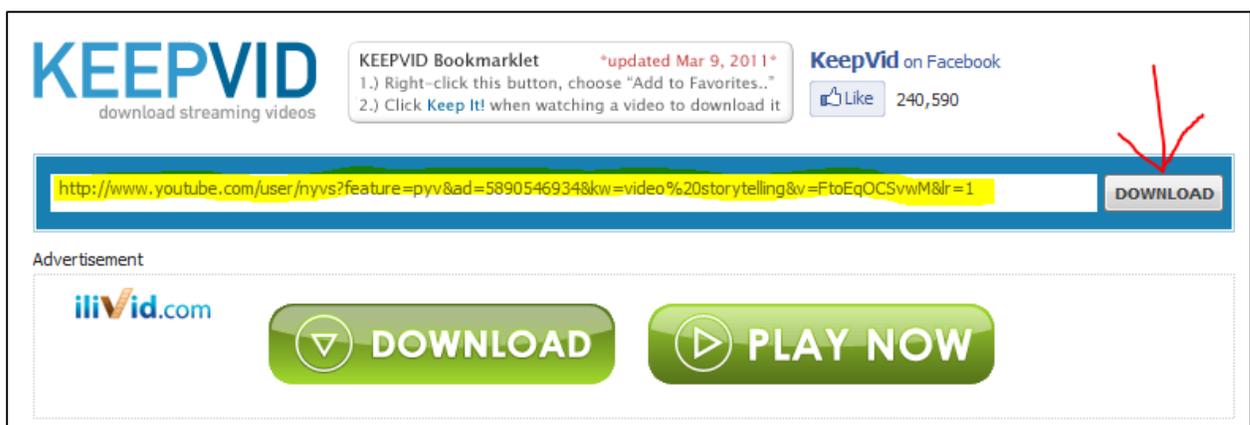
I can do the same thing with YouTube as shown below:



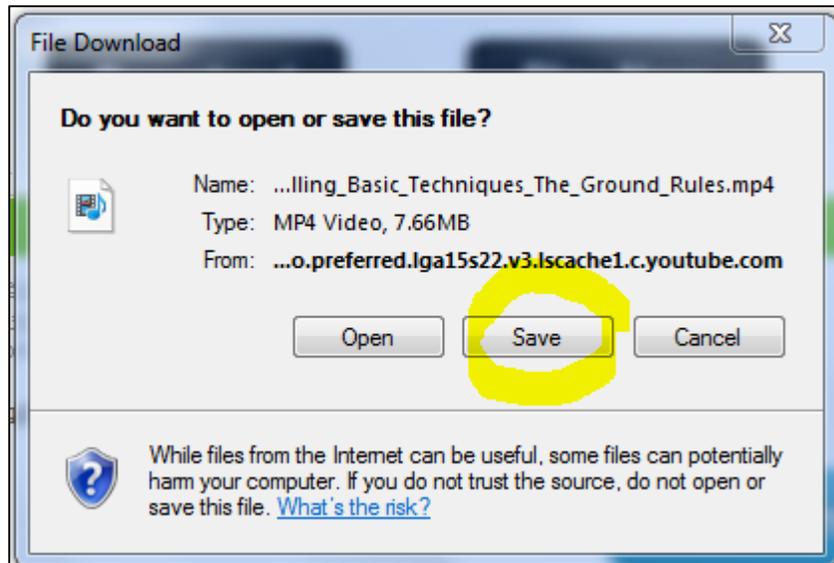
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### Save YouTube Videos to Your Computer:

Copy the URL of the YouTube video you would like to include. Then, go to <http://keepvid.com/>. Next, paste the URL into the box, (as shown in yellow below) and click download (red arrow.)



Next, you want to click [>> Download MP4 <<](#) - (Max 480p) and then click “save” (circled in yellow below.) Choose where you would like to save this video.



**My Notes:**