

Audio Inspiration – Record, transcribe, and edit audio stories

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WHY AUDIO?

The voice is intimate and full of personality. It triggers deep memories.

Oral history is the easiest way to gather family stories.

Audio is a versatile medium with many possibilities for sharing.

Listening is a gift to the speaker and receiver.



ORAL HISTORY TIPS:

Great interviews start with great questions.

Embrace silence.

Leave your recorder on until you are out the door.

Do it now, and it will be enough.



TRANSCRIPTION TOOLS:

A cool work-around trick when audio quality isn't great: dictating.

Free Google speech-to-text.

Dragon for uploading audio files and high-accuracy dictating.

oTranscribe is a free, timesaving tool that mimics dictation machine.



TECHIE STUFF & PRO TIPS:

Our favorite digital recorders and apps.

Editing with Audacity.

Digitizing old formats.

Choosing the right microphone for the job.



USING AUDIO IN VIDEO STORIES:

Voice + music + images + story = powerful combination. That's video!

Animoto & Adobe Spark allow you to narrate right in the slides.

Oral history audio in a slide show tells a compelling story.

Video stories are the way to reach younger generations.

Audio Inspiration – Preserving Family Stories

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Resources for oral history, audio and transcribing:

- Free interviewing mini-course: <http://evalogue.life/mini-course>
- Great interview questions, tools and resources: <http://evalogue.life/interview>
- My Life Story - booklet of questions: <https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/1938111044>
- Record voice – edit, save and transcribe audio: <http://evalogue.life/record-voice>
- Transcription tools and reviews: <http://evalogue.life/transcription>

Video resources:

- Family history video resources: <http://evalogue.life/video-resources>
- Animoto: <http://evalogue.life/animoto-review>
- Adobe Spark: <https://spark.adobe.com/about/video>

Edit audio in free, open-source Audacity:

- <https://www.audacityteam.org>

Recording devices:

- Our favorite digital recorder: <http://evalogue.life/Olympus852>
- Free recording apps <http://evalogue.life/free-recorder-apps>
- Paid recording apps: <http://evalogue.life/paid-recorder-apps>

Index of resources for memoir and family history writers: <http://evalogue.life/writing>

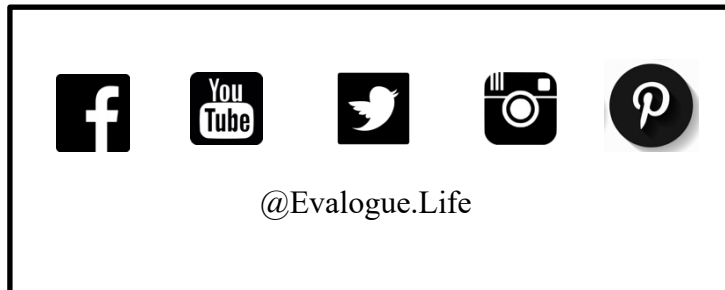
Life Story Services – get help or a professional interview: <http://evalogue.life/story>

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