Using aliases on MacOS seems to help with linking to big media files without housing them inside my vault. Shorter load times / not crashing on mobile = good.

Folder size before & after testing (more files from screenshots):

Can drag and drop alias from Finder to folder in Obsidian navigation or from folder to folder in Finder. Alias will appear in the file list (must have have "detect all file extensions" turned on, "auto update internal links" good too).

Drag and drop or start typing alias name

`[[YT Tutorial 1 Sky and Foreground 2.png alias]]`
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YT Tutorial 1 Sky and Foreground 2.png alias
Hey look, I clicked the link and the image opened in Preview!
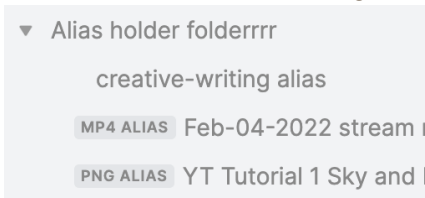
`[[Feb-04-2022 stream meet majima.mp4 alias]]`
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Feb-04-2022 stream meet majima.mp4 alias
Why hello file opening in VLC

`[[creative-writing alias]]` = creative-writing alias
Link opens folder in Finder

Can also move aliases to folder to get them out of my way, links still work

Can also use markdown links to files
`[](<file:name.extension>)`

– Will also open in default app
– Will break if path changes
– Made a text enpander shortcut with `,f` to get `[](<file:>)`