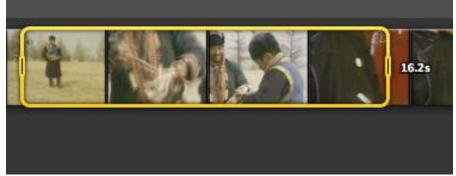
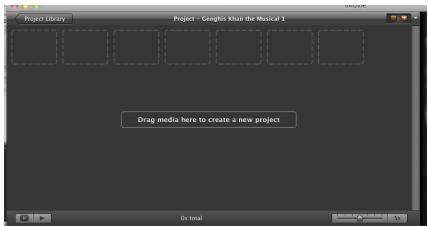
## **Cropping Clips in iMovie '09**

Selecting Footage to Use

To edit the footage that you have imported, select the portions that you want to use by holding the mouse down and dragging it until all of the thumbnails that you want to use are highlighted in the Event Library.



Drag these into the upper left project box that says "Drag media here to create a new project".



- To eliminate portions that you do not want to use, select them and hit the **delete** key. To create more precise transitions between footage, see *Trimming Clips*.
- To move portions, you can use the cut and paste functions or drag them.
- If you select part of a thumbnail, only part of the clip in that thumbnail will be selected. You can determine where in the thumbnail you want to begin or end by moving the cursor left and right to display the footage in the viewer.
- iMovie separates clips into Events. Events are separated by gaps, but can consist of multiple thumbnails.



 To change the aspect ratio of your project, go to File → Project Properties, or select cmd + J.

## **Trimming Clips**

- 1. To make more precise cuts and smooth transitions, click on the cogwheel icon in the first thumbnail of the event and select **Precision Editor.**
- 2. The Precision Editor window will pop up, displaying the transition between the previous event and the current one. The end of the first event is displayed on top, and the beginning of the second event is displayed on bottom. Darkened portions show footage that is not played in the project, and the vertical blue bar shows where the transition occurs.



- 3. Drag each event left or right to change where it starts or stops playing. Use the viewer box to identify the desired points in the footage.
- 4. When you have finished, click on **Done**.