



Music from a CD into Dance Designer

What Types of Music Files Does Dance Designer Open?

There are many types of digital file formats for music that is available today.

Dance Designer is able to open the following music file formats:

1. WAV – Waveform Audio Format
2. MP3 – MPEG 1 Audio Layer 3
3. WMA – Windows Media Audio
4. AIF – Audio Interchangeable File Format

How Do I Get My Music from My CD's into Dance Designer?

To import your music from a CD into Dance Designer, you will need to use a third party music program, (such as iTunes which you can download for free) to “rip” (convert) your music from a CD. Before importing your music you will need to change the following settings in iTunes. (You will only need to set these preferences once).

1. Select -“Edit”
2. “Preferences”
3. “General”
4. “Import Settings”
5. “Import Using” – MP3 Encode
6. “Setting” – Higher Quality (192 kbps)
7. “OK”
8. “OK”

Next insert a music CD into your computer. iTunes will ask you if you would like to add the songs from this CD to your iTunes Music Library. The default is to import all of the songs off of the CD. If there are songs that you do not wish to import, un-check the box next to those songs. Click “Yes”.

1. This will create an MP3 version of the selected song and place it in a sub-folder under the artists name in a folder based on your user preferences.
2. This is where you will need to navigate in Dance Designer to open the newly converted music file.

In Dance Designer

1. Click “Add Music”
2. Navigate to “My Music” folder
3. In the “My Music” folder select the “iTunes folder”
4. Then, select the “iTunes Music” folder
5. Select the Artist’s Folder
6. Select an Album Name
7. Select the song

When searching through iTunes files in Dance Designer, you will only see the files Dance Designer can open. If the file is not there, you will need to follow the directions under “Music from iTunes into Dance Designer.”