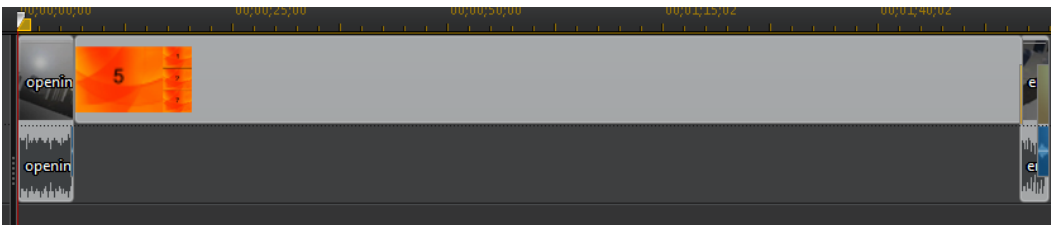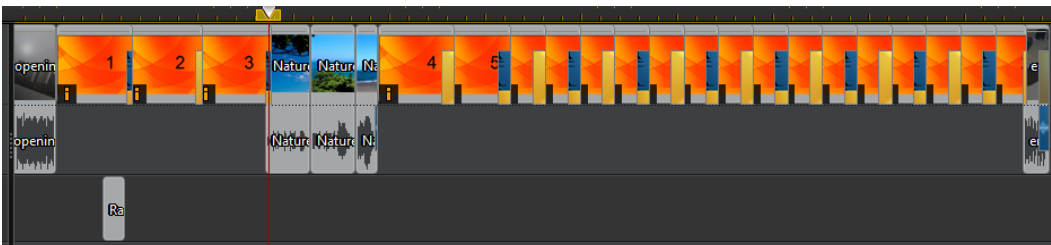# PowerDirector 12 STYLES

When this investigation began, its purpose was to try to determine predictable patterns when applying various styles. This was only partially achieved because there are many variables which have an impact on "what" lands in the timeline (and how) after applying a style template.

► Some Styles come out editable on the timeline (e.g. Balloon, Comic, Fireworks, Original, Fast/Slow Motion) – this often depends whether any video content is included. Example:

Extreme Sports (no video)

Extreme Sports (with video)

► **ALL styles** (with no video) are editable in Theme Designer by right clicking on the output file in the timeline, & selecting "Edit in Theme Designer". This also applies to <u>some</u> styles that include video.

► Some styles are **changed** when video is included (so much so that they look nothing like they did before). These are marked ■ in this document. Example:

Fast/Slow Motion (no video) = GRID.

Fast/Slow Motion (with video) = Motion Slideshow

What started out to be a careful analysis, became a series of inconclusive observations which may be useful as a rough guide. It's more like a work in progress than a thorough investigation.

► **Order of Image/Video Display**

Though there are some anomalies, the styles in PD fall into categories in terms of display order.

Some consistently use **timeline order [>>>]**

Some use an **approximate timeline order [><>>]**

Some use a "**filler group**" (usually the last group of photos in the timeline) as part of the animation **[xx<xxx<>]**

N.B. These patterns are sometimes irrelevant when <u>any video</u> is included.

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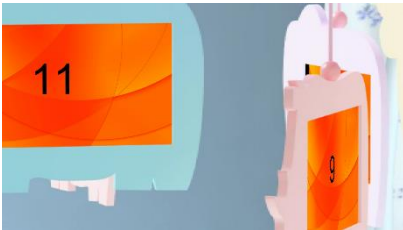
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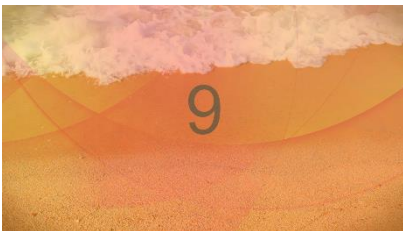
The STYLES

Around the World [>>>]

- timeline order (videos & pics), motion slideshow separated by travel graphics

Baby Room [>>>]

- timeline order (videos & pics), separated by mobile rotation

Beach [>>>]

- timeline order (videos & pics), separated by beach clips/images

Broadway [>>>]

- timeline order (videos split & scattered), separated by big screen rotations
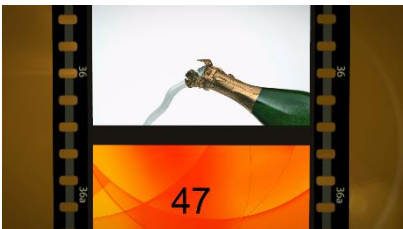
Extreme Sports [><>>] ■

Sequence (with no video) 5 1 2 7 6 3 4 8 9 10 11 12 15 13 14 16 17 20 18 19 21 22 25 23 24 26 2 7 28 29 30 35 31 32 37 36 33 34 38 39 40 41 42 45 43 44 46 47 48 49 50 then repeats the same cycle with slightly different visual arrangement

- (with video) - full screen motion rather than grid – also forces timeline order

Film Strip [xx<xxx<>]

Sequence (filler group in red) 50 1 49 2 47 2 49 3 3 49 48 4 49 5 47 5 49 6 47 6 49 48 7 49 8 47 8 49 9 47 9 49 48 10 49 11 47 11 49 12 47 12 49 48 13 49 14 47 14 49 15 47 15 49 48 16 49 17 47 17 49 18 47 18 49 48 19 49 20 47 20

- placement of videos depends on placement in timeline (i.e. numerical order of item)

Film Strip (with Transitions) [xx<xxx<>]

Sequence (filler group in red) 50 1 1 49 48 47 2 2 49 48 47 3 3 49 48 4 49 48 47 5 5 49 48 47 6 6 49 48 7 7 49 48 47 8 8 49 48 47 9 9 49 48 10 10 49 48 47 11 11 49 48 47 12 12 49 48 13 13 49 48 47 14 14 49 48 47 15 15 49 48 16 16 49 48 47 17 17 49 48 47 18 18 49 48 19 19 19

- placement of videos depends on placement in timeline (i.e. numerical order of item)

Getaway Stories [>>>]

- timeline order (videos & pics), motion slideshow separated by travel brochure pages

Grid (with Transitions) [xx<xxx<>]

Sequence (filler group in red) 46 45 50 48 47 49 46 45 1 50 2 48 47 50 49 48 47 3 50 49 3 47 46 45 50 5 8 47 50 49 48 47 50 49 6 47 46 45 50 8 48 47 50 49 48 5 47 9 50 49 9 47 46 45 50 10 48 47 50 49 48 47 10

- Placement of video is random

Ink Splatter [>>>]

- timeline order (videos & pics), separated by pan/zoom/wipe splatters
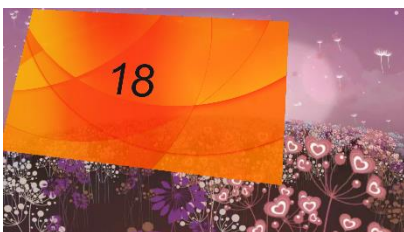
Interactive [>>>]

- timeline order on "interactive" screen

- videos split & scattered

Memory Field [>>>]

- timeline order (videos & pics) separated by memory field graphics

Neon Light Show [xx<xxx<>]

Sequence (filler group in red) 50 49 48 47 1 49 48 2 46 2 49 48 3 3 49 48 4 46 4 49 48 5 5 49 48 6 46 6 49 48 7 7 49 48 8 46 8 49 48 9 9 49 48 10 46 10 49 48 11 11 group 49 48 47 group 46 45 group

- placement of videos depends on placement in timeline (i.e. numerical order of item)
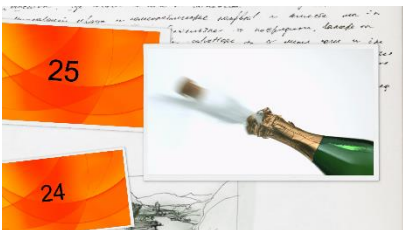

Notebook [xx<xxx<>]

Sequence (filler group in red) 50 48 49 47 1 49 48 2 46 2 49 48 47 3 4 48 47 4 49 48 5 46 5 49 48 47 6 7 48 47 7 49 48 8 46 8 49 48 47

- placement of videos depends on placement in timeline (i.e. numerical order of item)

Notebook (with Transitions) [xx<xxx<>]

Sequence (filler group in red) 50 48 49 47 46 50 49 48 2 46 45 2 49 48 47 3 49 48 47 4 50 49 48 5 46 45 5 49 48 47 6 49 48 47 7 50 49 48 8 46 45 8 49 48 47 9 9 49 48 47 10 50 49 48 11 46 45 11 49 48 47 12 12 49 48 47 13 13 13 49 48 47

- placement of videos depends on placement in timeline (i.e. numerical order of item)

Picture Frames [xx<xxx<>]

Sequence (filler group in red) 1 49 2 50 49 50 49 48 2 50 49 4 47 48 47 48 4 50 49 5 50 49 48 5 49 48 5 49 50 7 47 48 47 48 7 50 49 8 50 49 48 8 49 48 8 49 50 10 47 48 47 48 10 50 49 48 11 49 48 11 49 50 13 47 48 13 50 49 14 50 49 14 50 59 58 11 49 48 11 49 50 13 47 48 47 48 13 50 49 14 50 49 48 14 49 48 14 49 48 14 49 50 16 49 50 16 47 48 50 49 20 49 48 20 50 49 22 47 48 47 48 22 50 49 23 50 49 48 22 49 48 23 50 49 25 47 48 47 48 25 50 49 26 50 49 48 26 49 48 26 50 49 48 47

- videos split & scattered randomly

Postcards [xx<xxx<>]

Sequence (filler group in red) 1 50 49 48 2 46 45 2 49 48 3 48 439 4 4 49 48 5 46 45 5 49 48 6 48 49 7 7 49 48 8 46 55 8 49 48 9 48 49 10 10 49 48 11 46 45 11 49 48 12 48 49 13 13 49 48 14 46 45 14 49 48 15 48 49 16 16 49 48 17 46 45 17 49 48 18 48 49 19 19 49 48 20 46 45 20 49 48 21 48 49 22 22 49 48 23 46 45 23 49 48

- videos split & scattered

Postcards (with Transitions) [xx<xxx<>]

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- videos split & scattered randomly

Reflection [>>>]

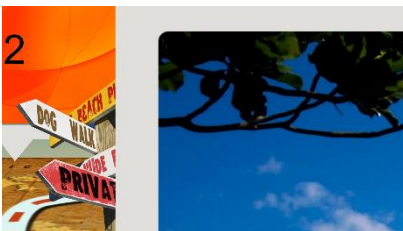- timeline order (videos & pics), with reflections & stars

Sports [><>>] ■

- (with no video) approximate timeline order in grid display - works through timeline placing different images in prominent grid position on repeat

Sequence 5 1 2 7 6 9 10 11 12 13 16 14 15 17 18 21 19 20 22 23 26 24 25 27 28 29 30 31 36 32 33 38 37 34 35 37 40 41 42 43 46 44 45 47 48 49 50 1 2 3 4 7 5 6 8 9 10 11 12 13 16 14 15 17 18 21 19 20 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 35 33 34 36 37 38 39 44 40 41 46

- (with video) - full screen motion rather than grid – also forces timeline order

Voyage of Discovery & Voyage of Discovery 2.0 [>>>]

- timeline order separated by map/signs/travelling graphics

- videos split to accommodate transitions

Wallet of Media [xx<xxx<>]

Sequence (filler group in red) 50 49 48 1 49 48 47 2 49 3 47 46 3 4 46 47 48 45 4 49 48 47 5 49 6 47 46 6 7 46 47 48 45 7 49 48 47 8 49 9 47 46 9 10 46 47 48 45 10 49 48 47 46 - visual/transition pattern repeated
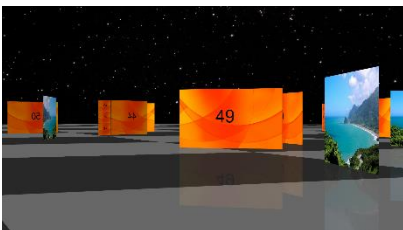
- placement of videos depends on placement in timeline (i.e. numerical order of item)

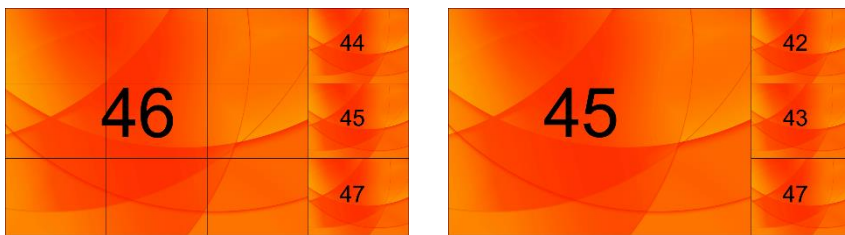## Wallet of Media (with Transitions) [xx<xxx<>]

- as above

Waltz [>>>]

- timeline order separated by rotating groups of included images

- videos split to accommodate rotation/transitions

Comic [><>>] ■ (grid a la Sports - same rotation)

- (with no video) timeline order in grid display - works through timeline in approximate order placing different images in prominent grid position on repeat

Sequence 5 1 2 7 6 3 4 8 9 10 11 12 13 16 14 15 17 18 21 19 20 22 23 26 24 25 27 28 29 30 31 36 32 33 38 37 34 35 39 40 41 42...
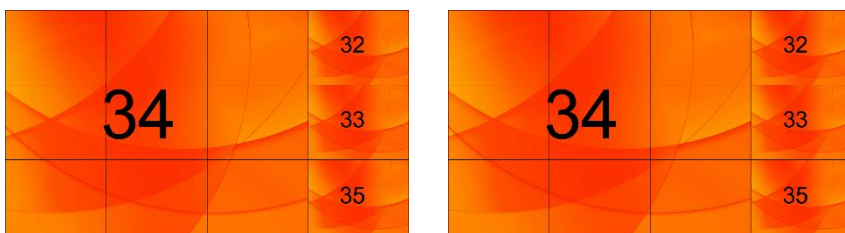
- (with video) - full screen motion rather than grid – also forces timeline order

Fireworks [>>>]

- timeline order (videos split) separated by fireworks graphics/animation

Original [><>>] ■ (grid - a la Sports)

- (with no video) - works through timeline in approximate order placing different images in prominent grid position on repeat

Sequence 4 1 1 6 5 2 3 7 8 9 10 11 12 15 13 14 16 17 20 18 19 21 22 25 23 24 26...

- (with video) - full screen motion rather than grid – also forces timeline order

Balloon [>>>]

- timeline order (videos split) separated by balloon graphics including random images

Gallery [xx<xxx<>] (zoom in & out on images)

Sequence (filler group in red) 39 1 49 2 49 3 49 4 49 5 6 49 7 49 8 49 9 49 10 49 11 49 12 49 13 49 14 15 49 16 49 17 49 18 49 19 49 20 49 21 49 22 49 23 24 49 25 49 26 49 27 49 28 49 29 49 30 49 31

- videos split

Modern Album [xx<xxx<>]

Sequence (filler group in red) 50 49 48 1 1 47 46 45 43 44 42 2 44 43 42 41 3 45 4 48 47 46 45 5 45 44 6 45 7 48 49 7 46 45 46 47 45 9 47 46 45 43 42 10 44 43 42 11 45 12 48 47 46 45 13 45 44 14 47 46 45 15 48 49 15 46 45 16 49 16 47 46 45 17 46 47 45 43 44 42 18 44 43 42 41 19 45 20

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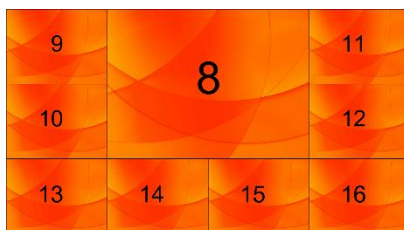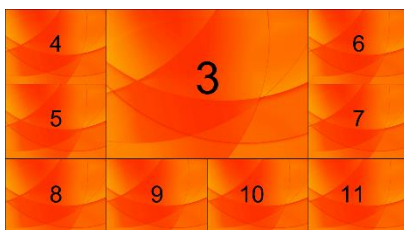
- videos split

Navigation [>>>]

Timeline order (videos & pics) interspersed with motion through "**filler group**"

- videos split

Fast Motion [>>>]

- (with no video) timeline order in grid display - works through timeline in approximate order placing different images in prominent grid position on repeat

- (with video) - full screen motion rather than grid – also forces timeline order

Slow Motion [>>>]

- (with no video) - as above with slower transitions (3 seconds)

- (with video) - full screen motion rather than grid – also forces timeline order