

## Capturing a Video Using Jing

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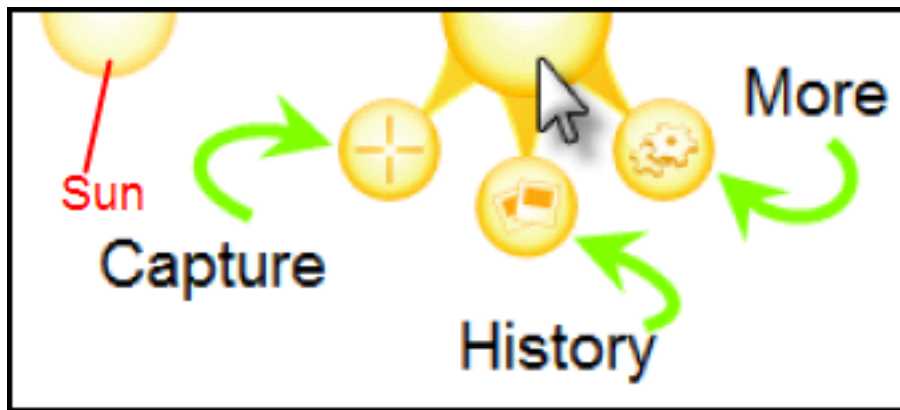
**Subject Descriptors:** Jing, How do I capture a video using Jing?, What can I do after I have captured a video?, How do I send a Jing video to a friend?, How do I save a Jing video?

**Application:** Jing 2.1.9146, Windows xp

**Task Description:** How do I capture a video using Jing?

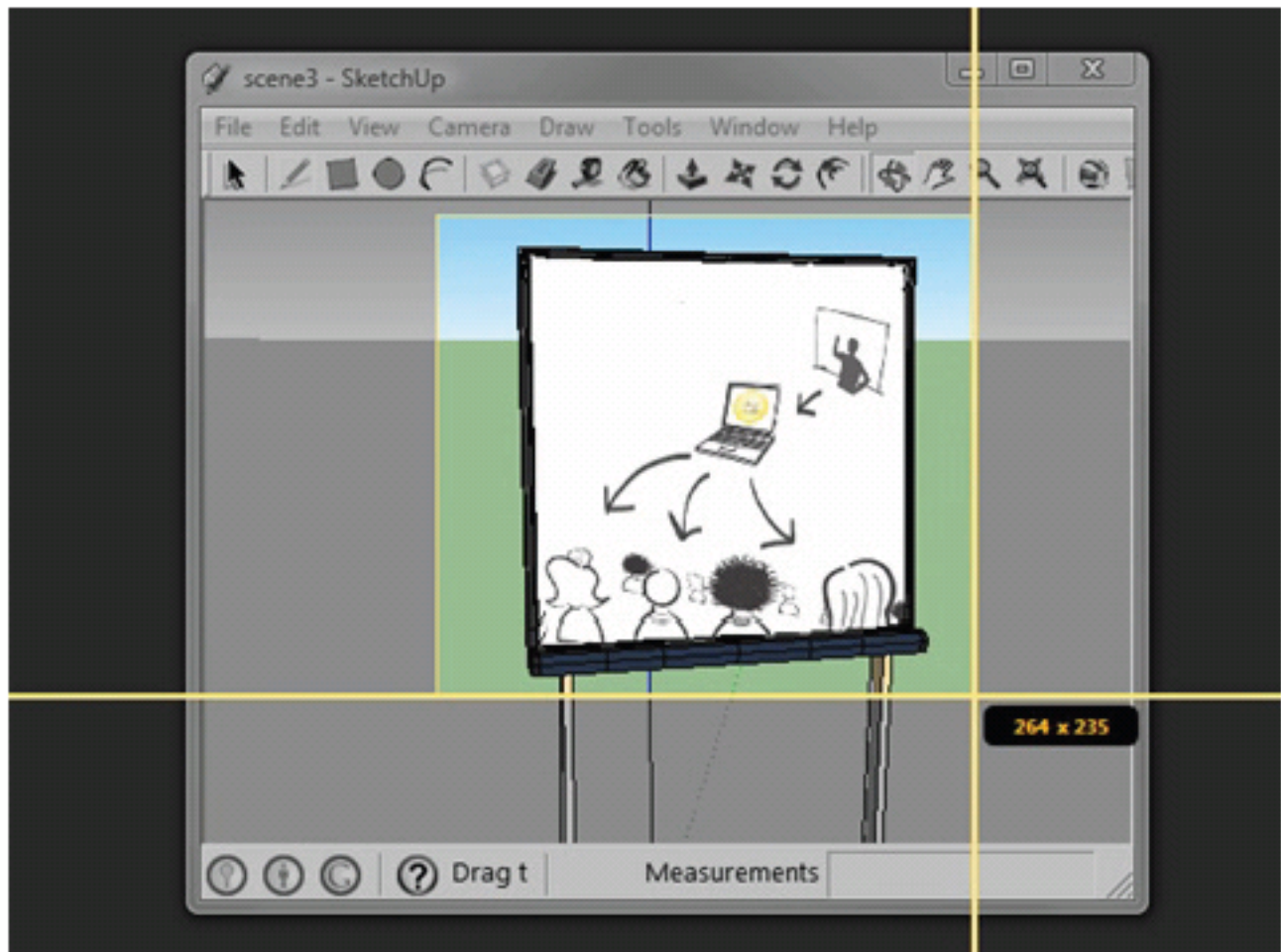
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### Select the Capture Button



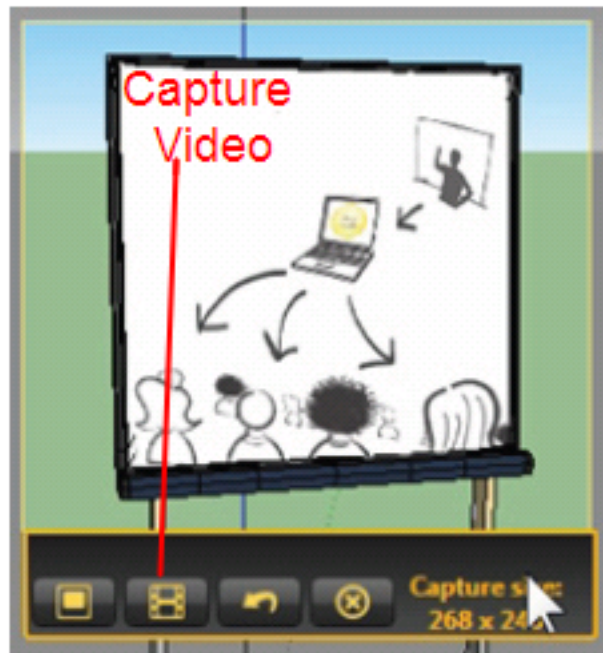
To capture a video, move your mouse over the Sun. Three options will appear. **Capture**, **History** and **More**. Select **Capture**.

## Select Your Video Site



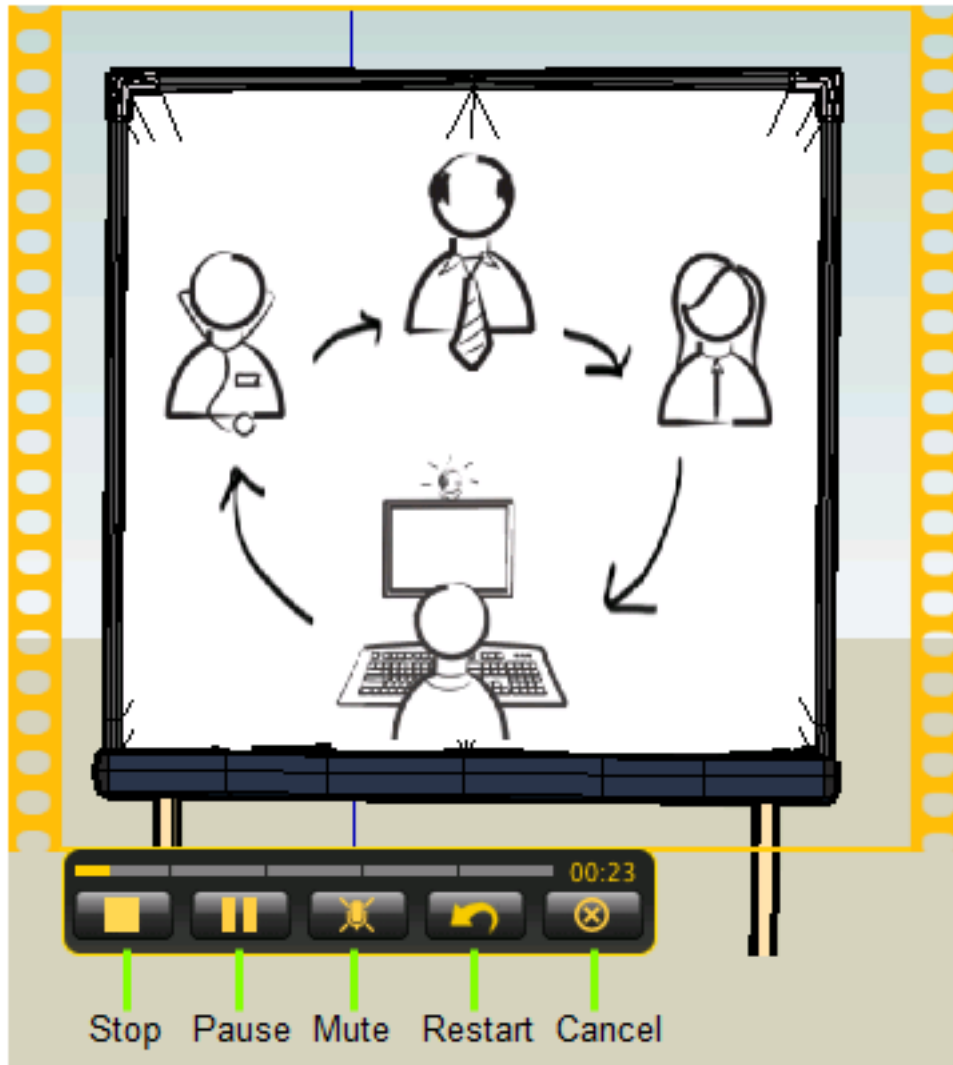
Your cursor will turn into a cross-hair. Use the cross hair to draw a rectangle around the object or area you would like to use as your video site. You can do this by clicking in the upper left corner of your selected area, and dragging across to the opposite corner. Everything outside the rectangle will turn gray, while everything inside the rectangle will maintain its color.

## Select Video



Once you lift up your finger from the mouse button, a menu will appear below. Select Capture Video from the options.

## Record Your Video



Right after you select the Capture Video button, a countdown of three seconds will begin. After the countdown, Jing starts recording what's happening on your screen in real time. The microphone will also turn on at this point so you can record your own narration. You are limited to five minutes of screen recording time. If you need to do more than this, you can capture what you need to do in multiple sessions.

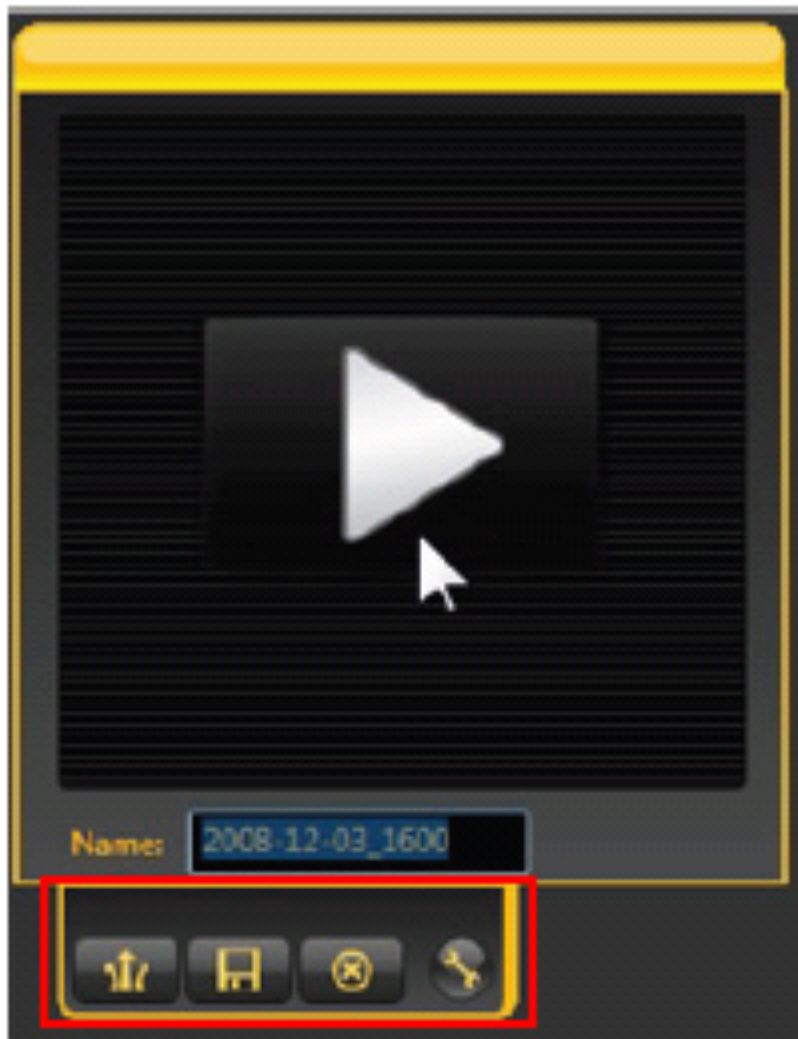
**A Note about the microphone:** Jing will only capture the microphone input on your computer. You can't get computer audio in your screen casts - only the microphone input. So if you don't want your own narration, you can get around this using a patch cable to connect from the headphone jack into the microphone jack. Microphone inputs are extremely sensitive, so you'll want the computer volume control turned almost all the way down or you'll get some serious audio distortion. I set it at its lowest possible level without muting it. Once you've connected the two, do your screen cast, and you'll capture the computer's audio.

As you are recording, there are several options at the bottom of the screen you may use. These options

are described below from left to right.

- 1) The Stop button will end your recording session whenever you are finished.
- 2) The Pause button allows you to pause your recording session in order to gather your thoughts, open another screen as part of your video etc... When you are ready to resume, just click on that button again, and the recording will resume.
- 3) The Microphone button allows you to mute the microphone if you don't want audio in your video. You can turn the microphone back on by pressing the same button again.
- 4) The Restart button allows you to start your video over again.
- 5) The Cancel button will allow you to cancel the video you have created.

## Saving Your Video



When you are done recording, click on the **Stop** button on the far left side of the recording screen, and Jing will show you a preview of your recording.

**A note about the preview:** Videos captured in Jing are saved as SWF files - or flash videos. You will need Flash Player in order to play your videos. If you don't have Flash Player installed on your

computer already, you may download it from the internet for free. Go to this website to download the software: <http://www.adobe.com/products/flashplayer/>

If you like the way your video turned out, you may name it by typing the name in the black box just to the right of the Name: field. At this point, you have several options. You will find these options in the toolbar below your video. The options are described below in order from left to right.

- 1) The Screencast button will upload your video to the screencast website and create a URL for it. Simply click on this button and a small window will appear informing you that the URL has been created and it is ready to paste. Now you may copy this URL in a blog, facebook, chat window etc... and the person you are talking with will be able to see your video by clicking on the URL you just pasted.
- 2) The Save button will allow you to save your picture to one of your files. Click on this button, and a window will appear which allows you to access your files. Select the file you would like to save it to and press **Save**.
- 3) The Cancel button will allow you to cancel the video you just created.
- 4) This is the Configuration Buttons option. Here you can set up your own buttons such as upload to Flickr, upload to YouTube (Pro version only), save to a specific location on your hard drive, or upload via FTP to your own site. For more information about how to do this, go to the Jing website and check out their helps and tutorials.