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# WHAT'S NEW IN RESOLVE 14?

# with Joey D'Anna

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#### Overview

In What's New In Resolve 14, colorist and finisher Joey D'Anna guides viewers through the most important new features added into Resolve 14. Designed for users already familiar with DaVinci Resolve, this title will help experienced users get up to speed with Resolve 14 quickly.

## **Target Audience**

From beginner to advanced colorists plus editors, cinematographers, directors and their assistants already familiar with DaVinci Resolve

## **Topics Covered**

- Big picture changes including the new Database Manager & overall performance improvements
- Media & Edit Page enhancements
- Essential Color Page new features
- Exploring, in detail, the new ResolveFX filters
- Overview of Fairlight integration plus DaVinci Control Surface improvements

## **Course Organization**

What's New In Resolve 14 ships with 50 movies – but does not contain project files or practice footage.

You can follow along using your own footage or purchase the practice projects <u>'In the Shadow Of Giants'</u> and <u>'Mother Died'</u>. In some movies, Joey also features footage from the film <u>'Sun Belt Express'</u> directed by Evan Buxbaum and written by Evan Buxbaum, Chance Mullen & Gregorio Castro. This footage is not available for purchase.

#### Included in What's New In Resolve 14:

- **Training Movies:** 50 Movies averaging less then 4min each and with a total run time of 3 hours and 5min. Watch these to-the-point movies on a break, at lunch or relaxing on the couch. All movies are high quality 1920 x 1080 h264s (total download size 9.31GB)
- iTunes Compatible Metadata: The movies included in this title have been numbered to correspond to a chapter and movie number in this PDF Guide. The movies are tagged as an iTunes TV series and includes descriptions that match this PDF Guide.
- Bonus #1: Collaboration Demo The completely revised collaboration approach in Resolve 14 is a
  marquee new feature, but showing it off in detail take time. Instead, we've ripped a 25-minute video demo
  from Mixing Light's members-only Insights Color Library and are offering it to you as part of this Course.
  We've also included a PDF on the hardware and conceptual setup of Resolve 14 Collaboration, which can
  also be found online at the Insights Color Library.
- **Bonus #2: Power Grades** Resolve 14 includes many new powerful ResolveFX tools. Included in this training is a collection of 15 Power Grades featuring these new tools designed by Joey D'Anna, Patrick Inhofer, & Robbie Carman.
- Bonus #3: Practice Project 20% Discount This title uses footage from Practice Projects that appear on MixingLight.com. As a Bonus for buying this Course, you are entitled to a 20% discount on our practice projects. You'll find the purchase link on the Download page for this Course since you must be logged in for the 20% discount. Learn more about Mixing Light's Practice Projects here.



# About Joey D'Anna

Joey D'Anna is a colorist and online editor living and working in the Washington DC area. His career in post-production has spanned over 15 years, starting out at one of DC's largest post houses doing linear online editing, and later transitioning to non-linear finishing and color grading.

His broadcast clients include Discovery Channel, Investigation Discovery, TLC, Travel Channel, National Geographic, PBS, TVOne, Smithsonian Channel, and ESPN. As a Washington native, he has worked with some of the biggest political consulting firms in the country.

Today, Joey grades a variety of short-form marketing projects, ads, political and issue advocacy pieces, along with long-form documentary films, series, and specials for broadcast clients and independent filmmakers.

An expert in both creative color grading and post-production workflows, Joey loves tackling tough creative challenges to make his client's images look their best.

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Now that you've seen all the exciting major new features in Resolve 14, find out about some additional resources available to continue honing your grading skills. Thanks for watching, and happy grading!