

## MADT 101 - Exploring Digital Environments – Instructor Daniel Dugas | Winter 2008

### DREAMWEAVER 101

In order to create your website you should:

- Prepare and plan.
- Create the pages.
- Layout and set up the pages.
- Add content to your pages. (Flash, Images, etc.)
- Link pages together.
- Publish your site.

The most common approach to creating a website using Dreamweaver is to create and edit pages on your local disk, and then upload copies of those pages to a remote web server to make them publicly available.

Let's get started:

Open **WORKSPACE**

**Create** a folder and name it **sites**

Open this folder and **create** another one inside it: **madt101**

Open this folder and **create** another one inside it: **images**

Open **Dreamweaver**

Go to the **MENU**

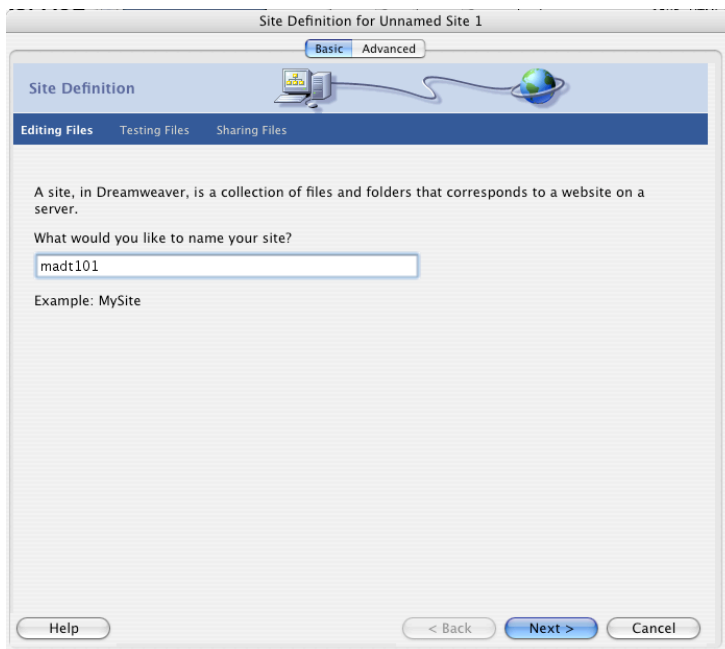
click on **SITE**

select **NEW SITE** from the submenu

The Site Definition Dialog Box opens

**Choose the name madt101 for your site**

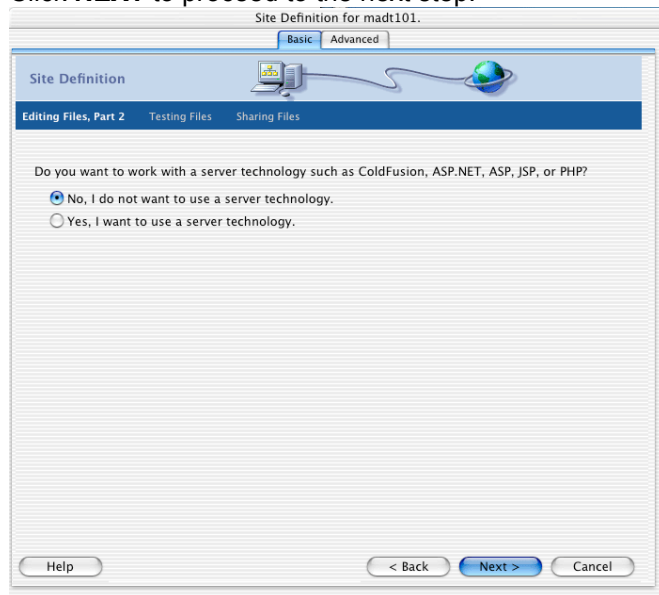
Click **NEXT** to proceed to the next step.



## DO YOU WANT TO WORK WITH A SERVER TECHNOLOGY....

Select **NO**

Click **NEXT** to proceed to the next step.



## HOW DO YOU WANT TO WORK WITH YOUR FILES...

Select: **EDIT LOCAL COPIES ON MY MACHINE**

The next step is crucial. It will specify a folder on your local disk where Dreamweaver should store the local version of the site's files.

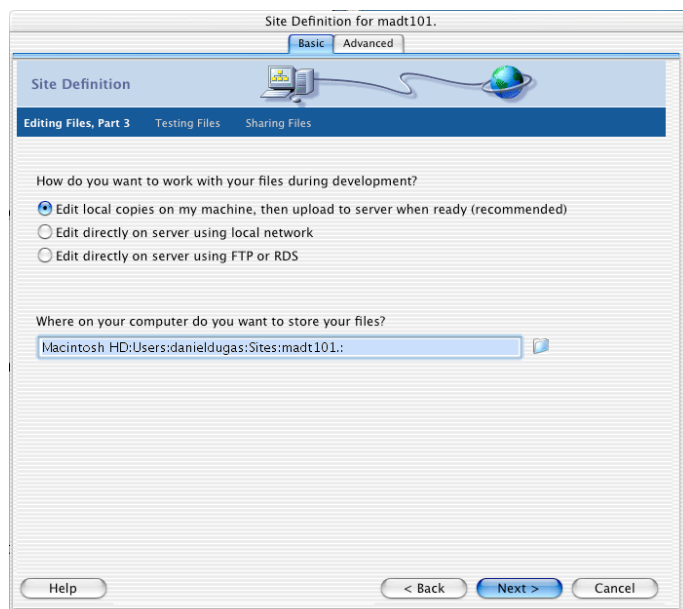
## WHERE ON YOUR COMPUTER DO YOU WANT TO STORE YOUR FILES?

Click on the folder icon and find your **madt101** folder

In the dialog box make sure that your folder **madt101** is highlighted.

Click **CHOOSE**

Click **NEXT** to proceed to the next step.



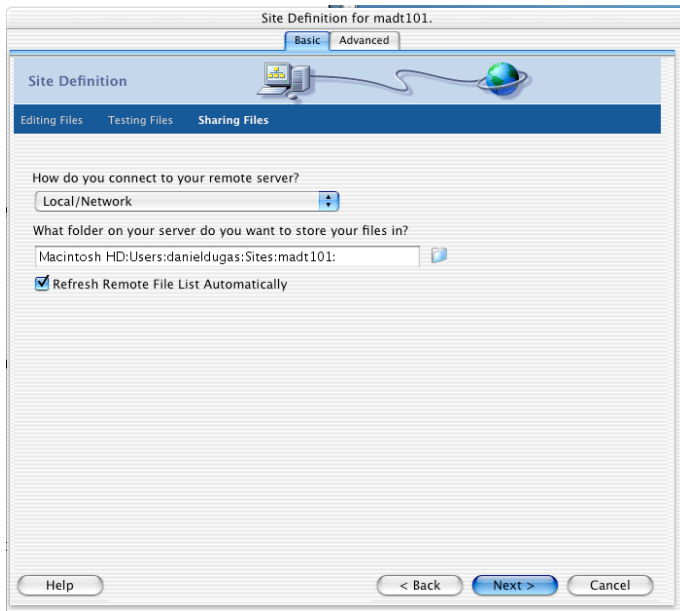
## HOW DO YOU CONNECT TO YOUR REMOTE SERVER?

Select **LOCAL/NETWORK**

## WHAT FOLDER ON YOU SERVER DO YOU WANT TO STORE YOUR FILES IN?

Click on the folder icon and find your **madt101** folder

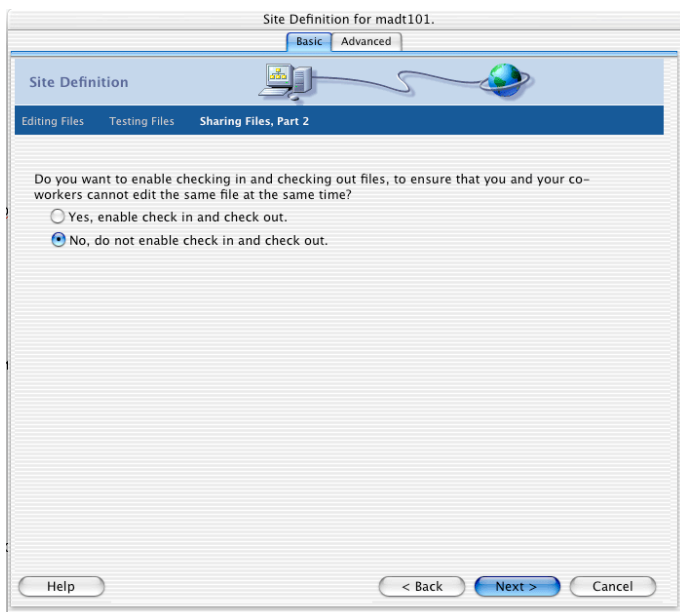
Click **NEXT** to proceed to the next step.



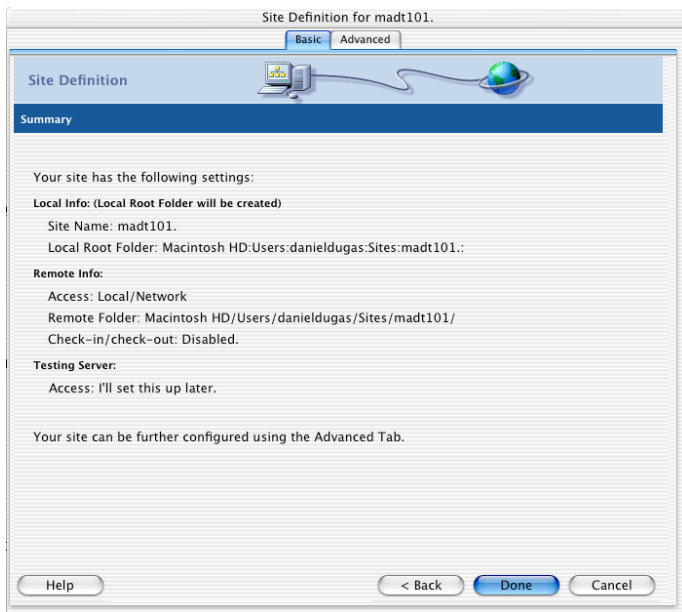
## DO YOU WANT TO ENABLE CHECKING....

Select **NO**

Click **NEXT**



The **SUMMARY** window appears  
Click **DONE**

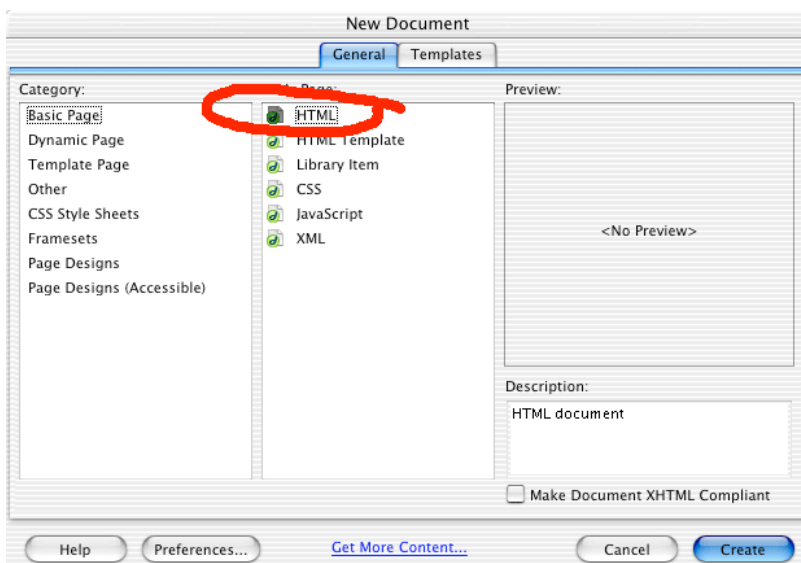


Dreamweaver will create the site cache. The site cache is a way for Dreamweaver to store information about the site. You should now see a folder with the name of your site and the computer icon. If you open the Site - madt101 you will see the images folder that you created before starting. Notice the path that you selected earlier in the wizard in brackets.

**Now you are ready to create your first page.**

Choose File > **NEW**  
The **New Document** dialog box appears.

Select **Basic Page / HTML**  
Click > **CREATE**



An **UNTITLED DOCUMENT** appears.  
Choose > **FILE > SAVE**

In the Save As dialog box, browse to the **madt101** folder  
Save As: **index.html**  
Click > **SAVE**

The index page is the default web page that loads up when you first connect to a site. You can also name it main.html  
NOTE that there is no difference between html and htm. On a Macintosh Dreamweaver will default to html.

Let's put a background colour on our index page.

Choose > **MODIFY > PAGE PROPERTIES**

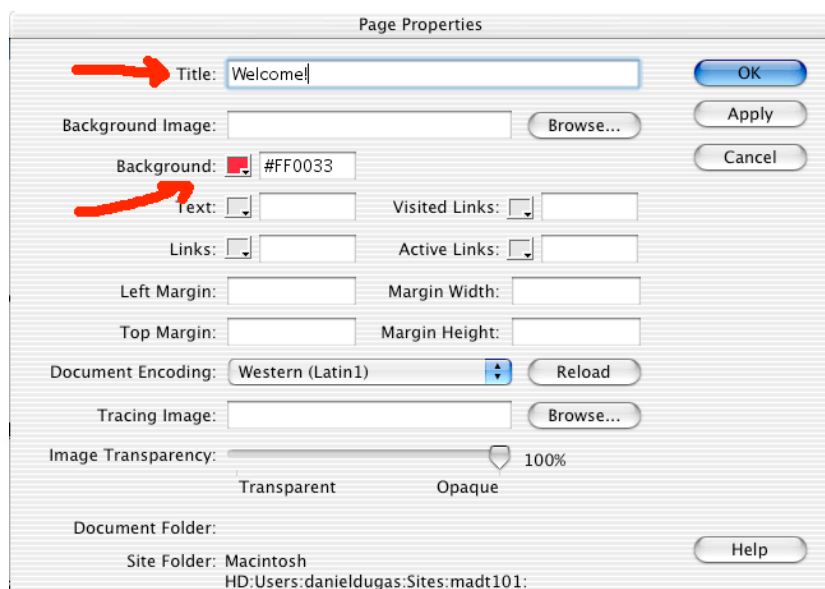
Although we have saved our page as index we can choose what we want the visitors of our site to see.

In the box beside **TITLE**, choose the title that you want

Click in the square beside **BACKGROUND**

Select a colour

Click **APPLY** to see result in your document



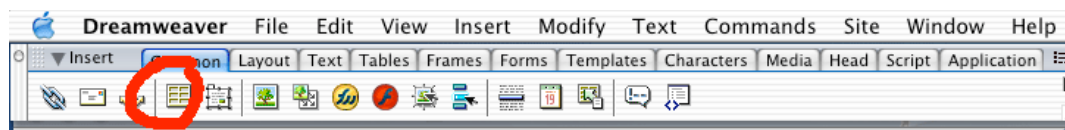
Let's write the title for our page

Go to the **INSERT BAR**

If you cannot see it, **GO > WINDOW > INSERT**

Select the tab **COMMON**

Click on **TABLE**



In the **INSERT TABLE** dialog box, select 1 row and 1 column

**WIDTH 100 percent**

**BORDER 0**

Click **OK**

Click inside your table and write MADT 101

Highlight the text

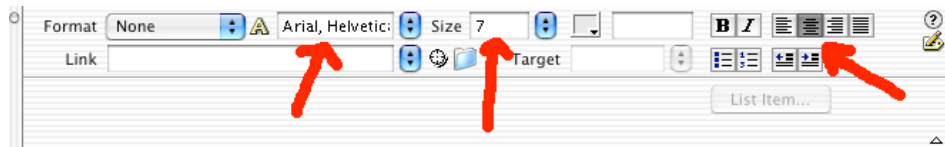
In the **PROPERTIES** box:

Beside the letter A choose your font: **Arial, Helvetica, sans serif**

Choose a Size: **7**

Choose **Bold**

Choose **Center**



Now let's create a second page so we can link our first page to it.

Name it projects.html

Now go back to your index page and highlight MADT 101

In the **PROPERTIES** box:

Beside **LINK** click on the Folder and navigate to your projects.html page.

**Save** your document

Preview your site in the browser:

**FILE > PREVIEW IN BROWSER**

Click on your link to see if it works.

**Bravo!**

Now let's spice it up:

We will add an image under the MADT 101

Click to select on the table

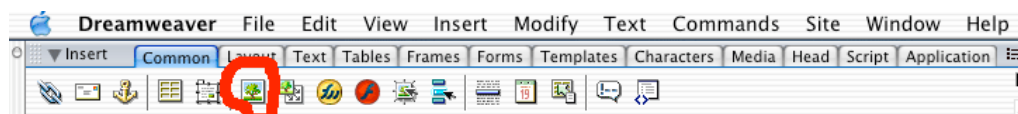
The dotted line becomes solid meaning that you can edit its parameters.

Let's add a **ROW** (change 1 for 2)

Another row appears in your table.

Click inside the bottom row.

In the **INSERT BAR**, select the little icon with a tree. It means '**INSERT AN IMAGE**'



The **SELECT IMAGE SOURCE** dialog box appears.

Navigate to the image you want to insert.

Click **CHOOSE**

If the image is not in the images folder of your site, a warning box will appear saying that the file you selected is outside your root folder. Click yes to copy the file into your root folder.

The **COPY FILE AS** dialog box appears

Navigate to your **IMAGES** folder

Click **SAVE**

The image Appears inside the table

**SAVE**

**Preview In Browser**