Create an avatar video from an existing recording

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This article is designated for all users.

About

Create a short avatar-led highlights video from an existing recording.

Avatar Studio analyzes the source video and automatically generates a draft project with narration, scenes, and highlighted clips from the original recording.

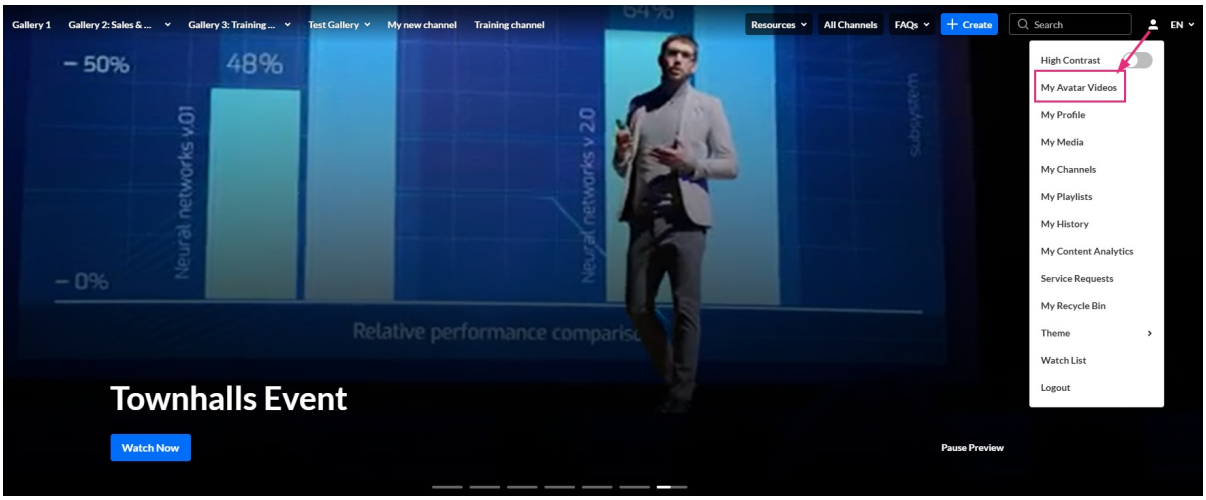
Generated avatar videos are saved as media entries in My Media and can be reused like other media in the platform.

- This feature requires the Avatarvodstudio module to be enabled.
- Only captioned videos can be used as source videos.

Create a new highlights project

1. Access Avatar Video Studio in one of the following ways:

- Select **My Avatar Videos** from the user menu.



- Select **Avatar Video** from the **+Create** menu.

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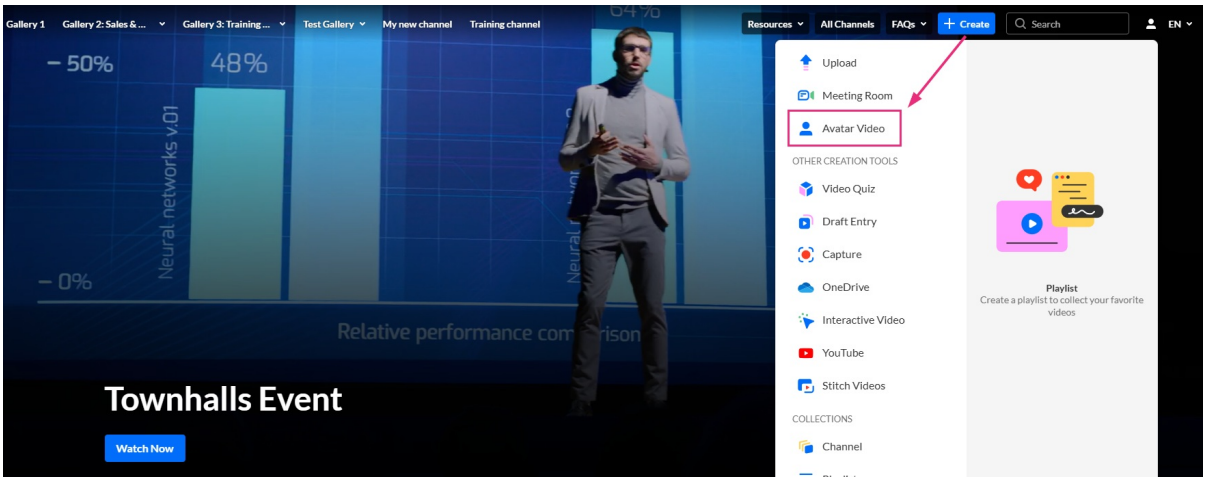
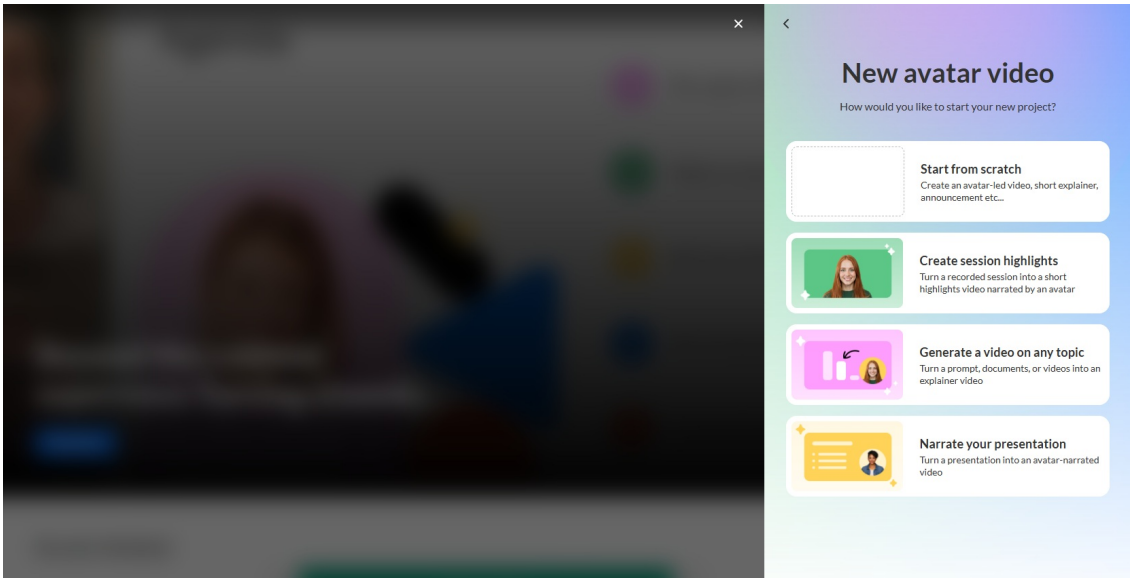


The 'New avatar video' window opens.



2. Select **Create session highlights**.

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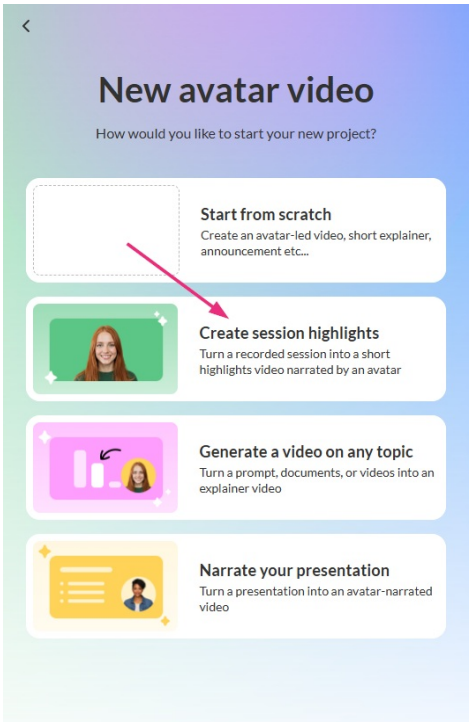

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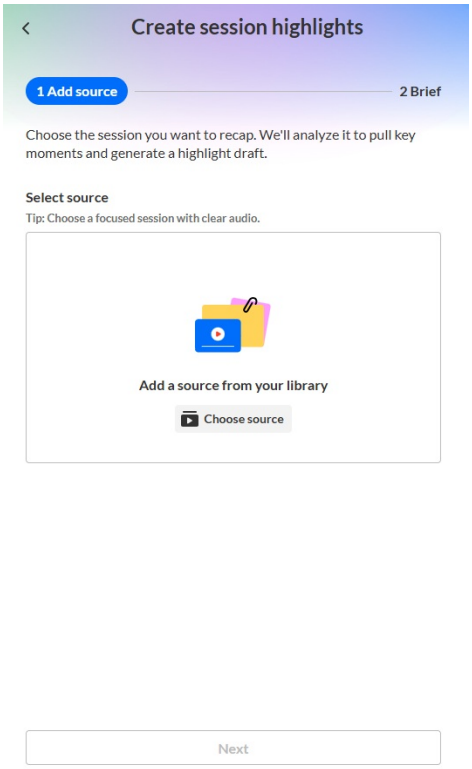

Add a source video

1. Click **Choose source**.

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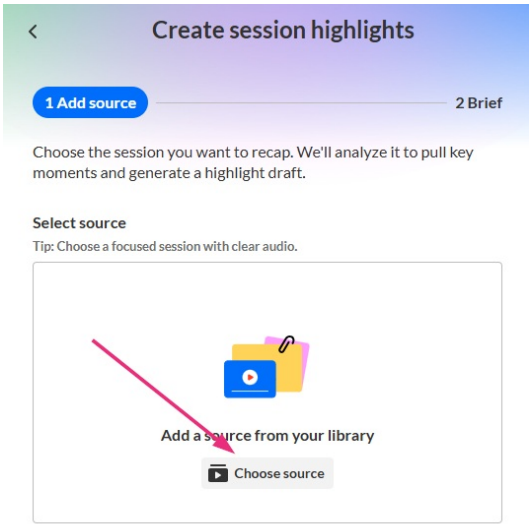
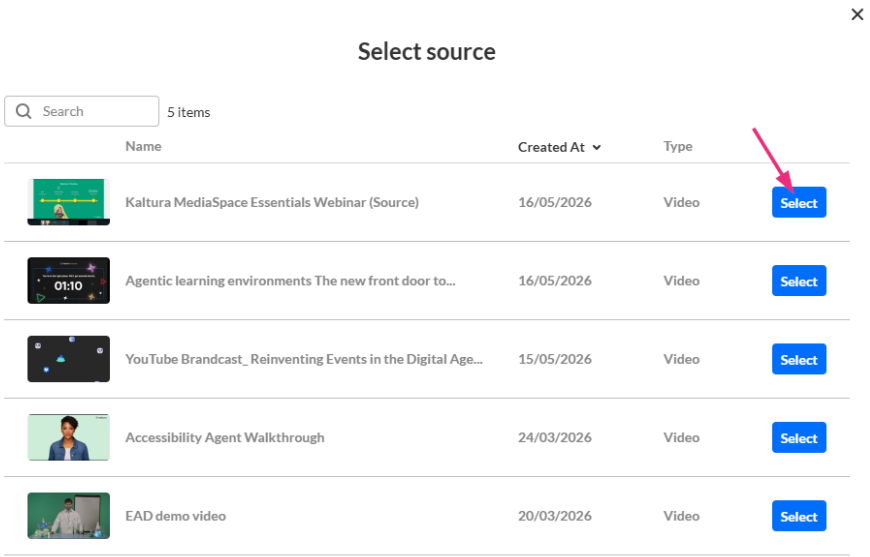


The 'Select source' window opens.

- Only captioned video entries are displayed in the source selector.
- For best results, choose a recording with clear audio.

2. Find the desired video and click **Select**.



The selected video is added as the source for the highlights project.

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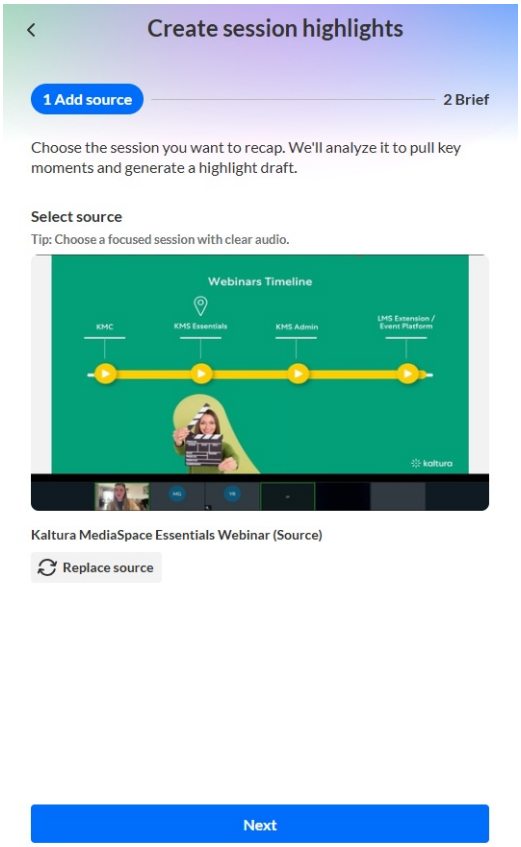

To choose a different source video, click **Replace source**.

3. Click **Next**.

Add instructions

Use the instructions field to guide the highlights video.

For example, you can specify:

- the intended audience
- the purpose of the video
- topics to emphasize

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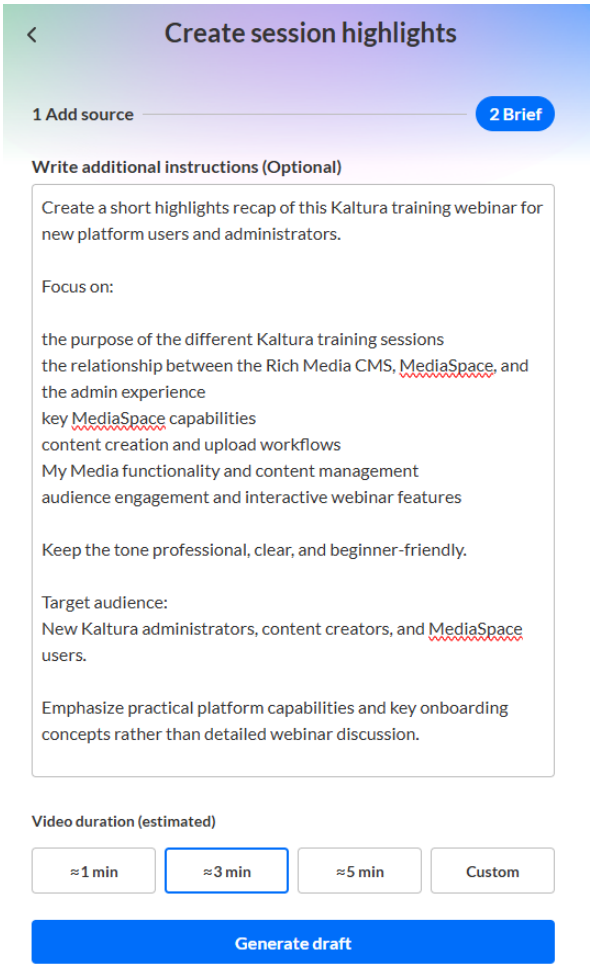
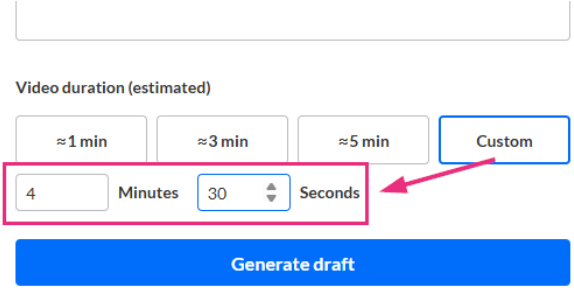


Set the video duration

Select one of the preset options:

- ~1 min
- ~3 min
- ~5 min

To define a custom duration, click **Custom**, and enter the required duration in minutes and seconds.



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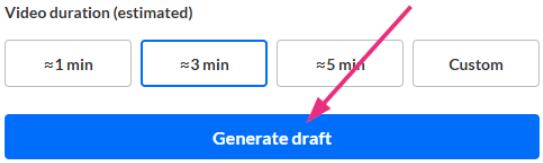
Generate your draft

Click **Generate draft** at the bottom of the panel.



Avatar Studio analyzes the selected recording and automatically generates:

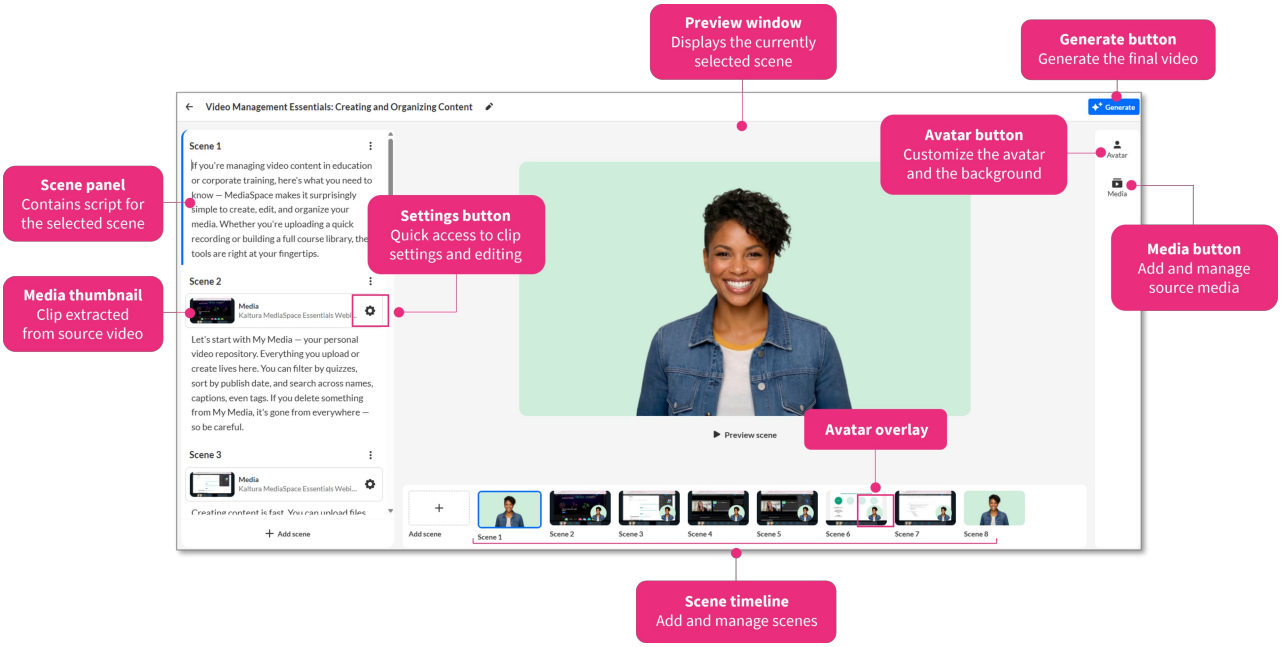
- a draft narration script
- suggested scenes
- highlighted clips from the source video
- an avatar

The generated project opens automatically in the editor.

Review and edit the generated project

The editor is where you edit, preview, and generate your avatar video project.

Overview of the editor



The editor includes:

- a scene panel containing narration for each scene
- a blue indicator beside each scene reflecting the approximate narration duration

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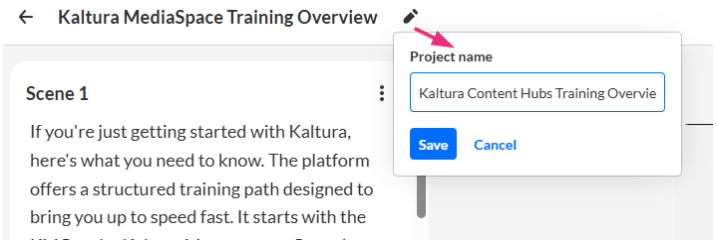
- source video clips extracted from the original recording
- a preview window with playback controls
- a scene timeline for navigating, reordering, and managing scenes
- avatar customization controls
- media controls for managing source media

For more information, see:

- Edit avatar video projects
- Edit source clips in avatar videos
- Create a custom avatar

Rename the project

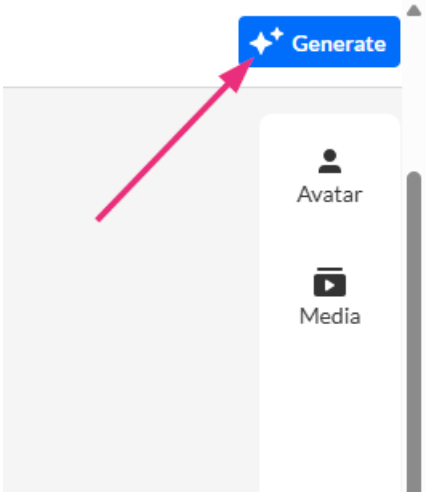
1. At the top left of the editor, click the **pencil icon** to open the project name dialog.



2. Enter a new name.
3. Click **Save**.

Generate the final video

When the project is ready, click **Generate** at the top right.



Generating the final video can take several minutes depending on project length.

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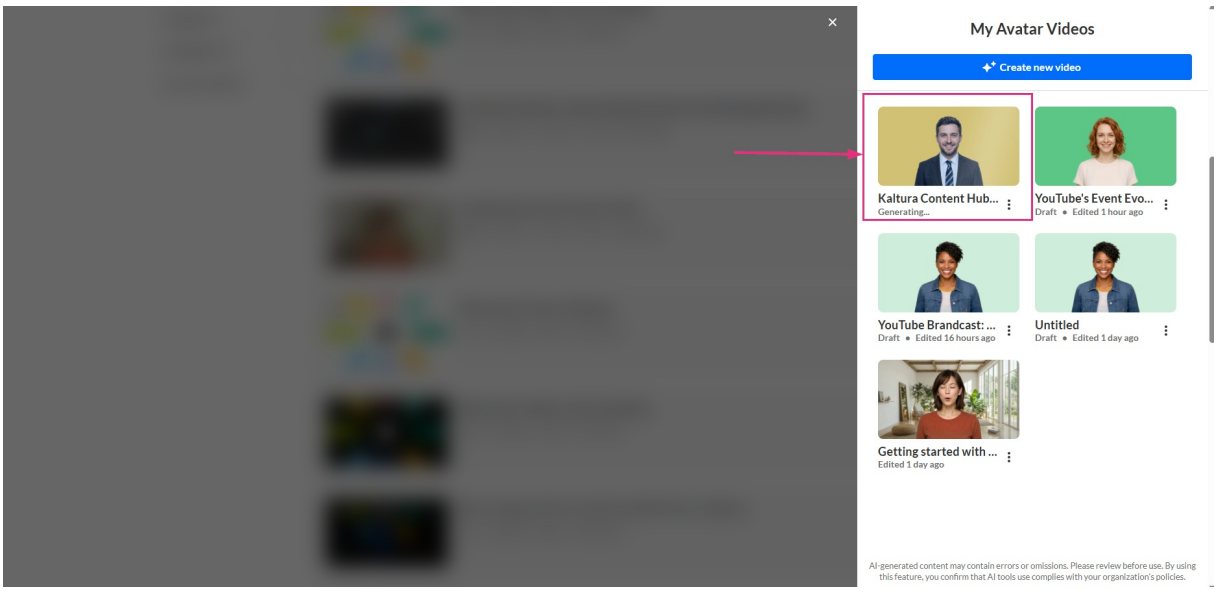
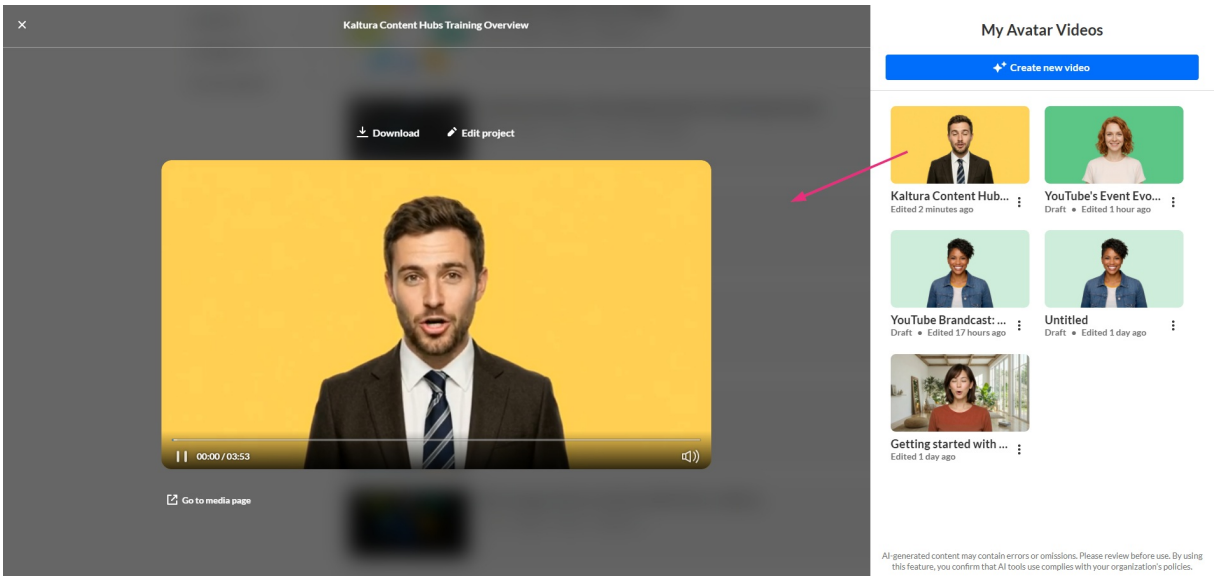
During generation the project displays a thumbnail in the 'My Avatar Videos' panel with a generating status.



- You can only generate one avatar video at a time.
- Additional generation requests are disabled, and delete and edit actions are unavailable.

After rendering finishes successfully, the thumbnail is updated.

Click the thumbnail to open the generated video. It starts playing automatically.



From the video details view, you can:

- Download the video
- Edit the project

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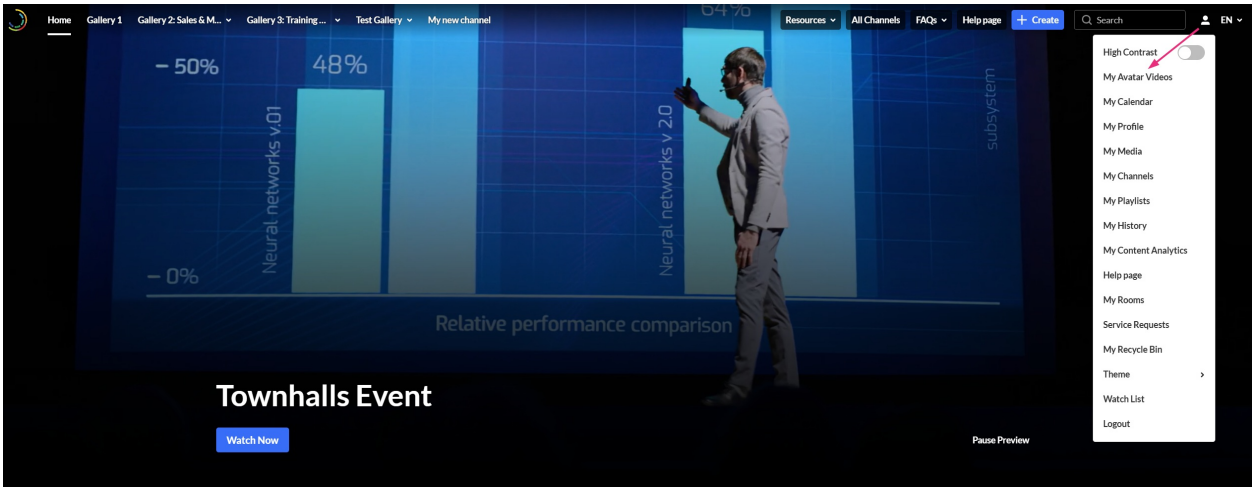
- Open the media page

For more information, see Manage avatar video projects.

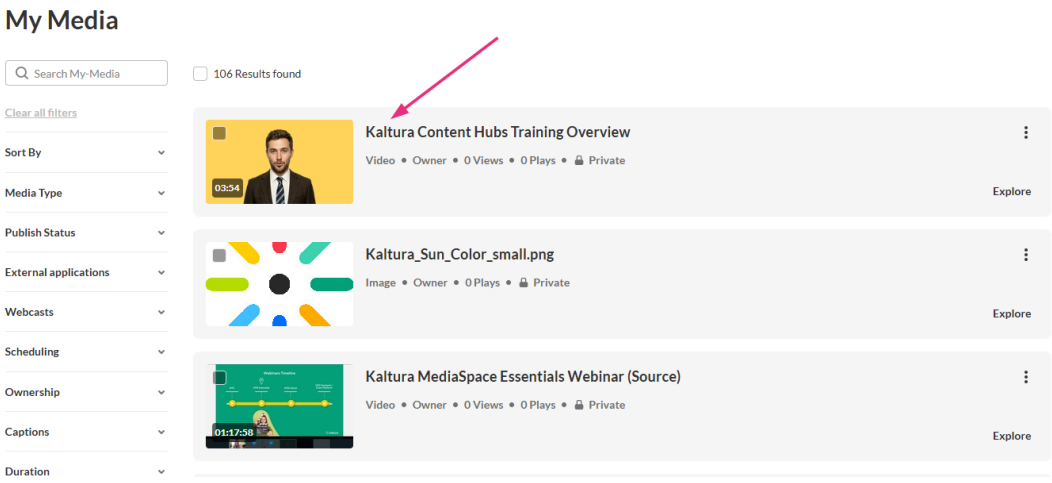
Access avatar video projects

To access your avatar video projects later:

Option 1: Select **My Avatar Videos** from the user menu.



Option 2: Access the video from My Media.



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