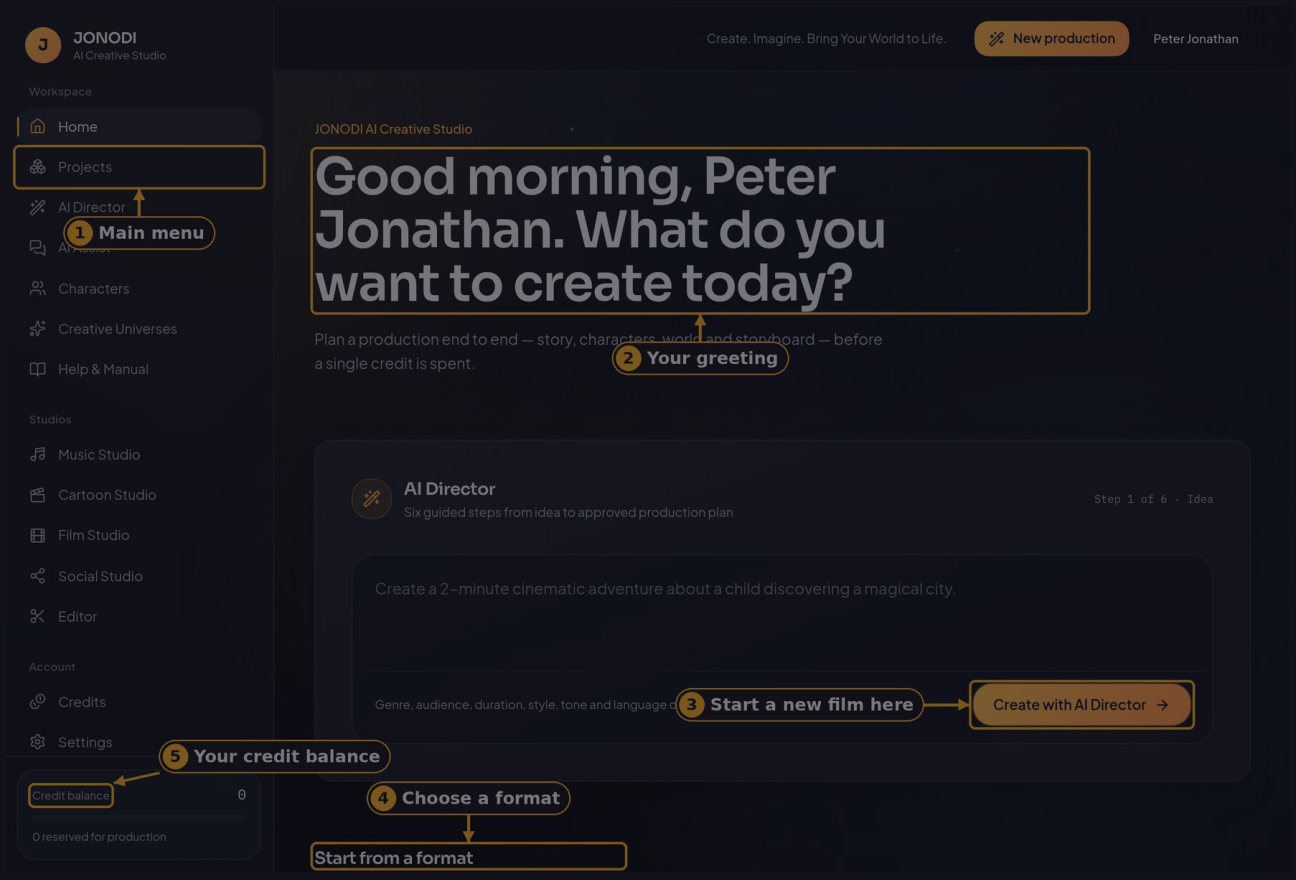
JONODI AI CREATIVE STUDIO

The Beginner’s Guide

Plan, produce and export your first film — step by step

Create. Imagine. Bring Your World to Life.



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CHAPTER 1

How to use this guide

This guide walks you through JONODI from your very first sign-in to downloading a finished video. You don’t need any filmmaking or technical experience.

Reading the pictures

Every screenshot comes from the real JONODI app. Orange **numbered circles** and **arrows** point to the exact button or area to use, and a short label says what it does. The same numbers are listed under each picture.

Status badges

Each chapter is marked **Available** (works today) or **Partly available** (some parts are still in development). We only describe features that genuinely exist.

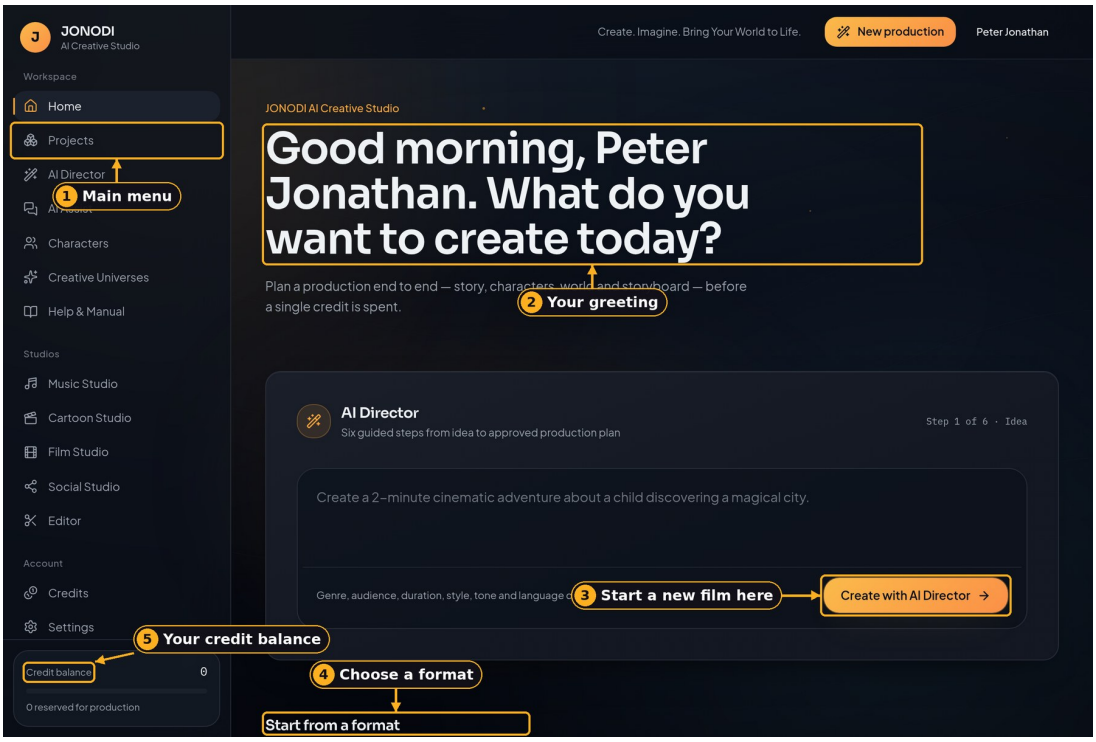
> **Important about costs**
> Making real video uses credits and has a real cost. JONODI always asks for your approval first. Look for orange “Before you continue” boxes in this guide.

CHAPTER 2

Quick start: your first film

Short on time? These six steps take you from a new account to a finished MP4.

1. Open Settings, choose Create an account, enter your email and a password (or use Continue with Google).
2. Open the confirmation email and click the link, then sign in.
3. On Home, press Create with AI Director and describe your film in your own words.
4. Review the story, characters, world and storyboard the Director proposes. Edit anything you like — planning uses no production credits.
5. On the Approval step, check the credit estimate. Only press Approve & Start Production if you agree.
6. Open the project from Projects, watch progress on the Production tab, then use the Export tab to make and download an MP4.



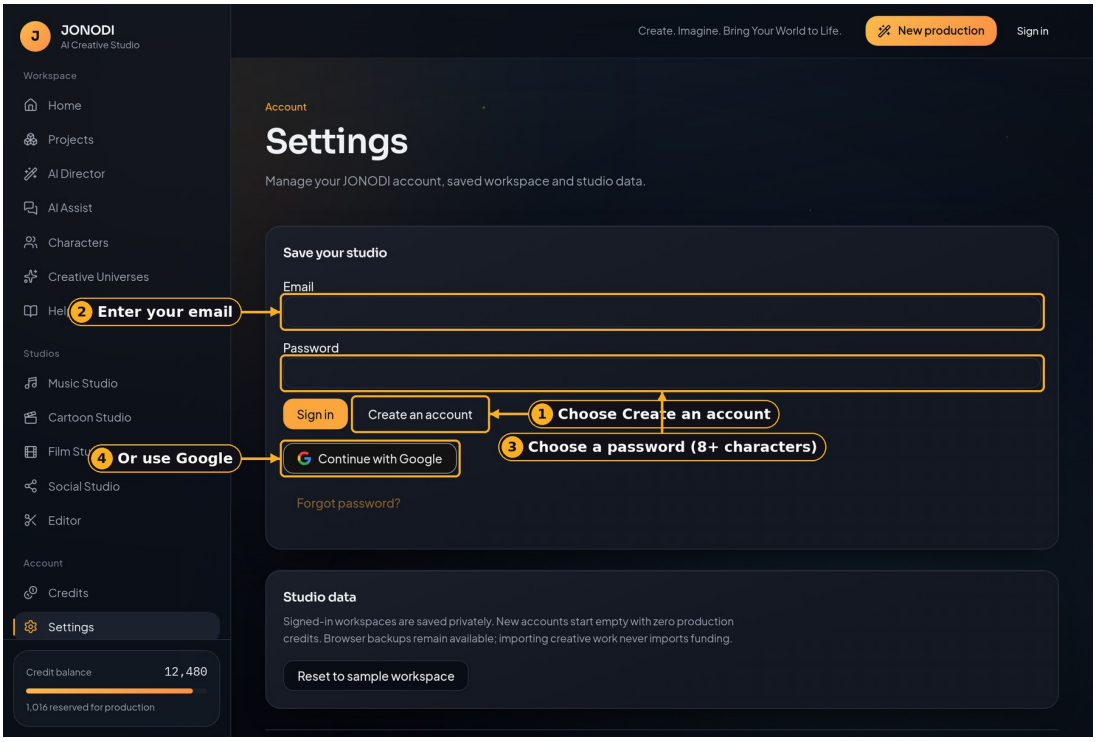
The Home dashboard.
On this screen: **1** Main menu, **2** Your greeting, **3** Start a new film here, **4** Choose a format, **5** Your credit balance

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Account registration, email verification and sign-in

Your account is your private studio. Everything you make is saved to it, and nobody else can see it.

Your account keeps your projects, scenes and credits private to you.



Settings when signed out: create an account or sign in.
On this screen: **1** Choose Create an account, **2** Enter your email, **3** Choose a password (8+ characters), **4** Or use Google

Good to know
New accounts start with an empty private workspace and zero production credits.

Step by step

1. Open Settings from the left menu (Account group).
2. Choose Create an account. Enter your email address and a password of at least 8 characters, then press Create account.
3. Open the confirmation email from JONODI and click the link. You must confirm before you can sign in.
4. Return to Settings and sign in with your email and password, or press Continue with Google.
5. Forgot your password? Use the reset link on the sign-in form; you will receive an email to set a new one.

6 To set your display name, enter it in the account panel and save. It is used in your Home greeting.

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Home dashboard and navigation

Home is your starting point. From here you can reach every part of JONODI.

Home greets you by time of day and gives shortcuts to everything you can create.

Step by step

1. Use the left menu: Workspace (Home, Projects, AI Director, AI Assist, Characters, Creative Universes, Help), Studios (Music, Cartoon, Film, Social, Editor) and Account (Credits, Settings).
2. On small screens, open the menu with the menu button at the top.
3. Press Create with AI Director to start a new film, or pick one of the creation cards (Film, Cartoon, Music Video, Audio→Video, Image→Video, Social Video).
4. Your credit balance is shown in the menu.

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New Production

A “production” is one film or video. Every new one begins with the AI Director.

Every new production starts in the AI Director. The creation cards on Home and the New buttons in each studio open it with the matching format.

Step by step

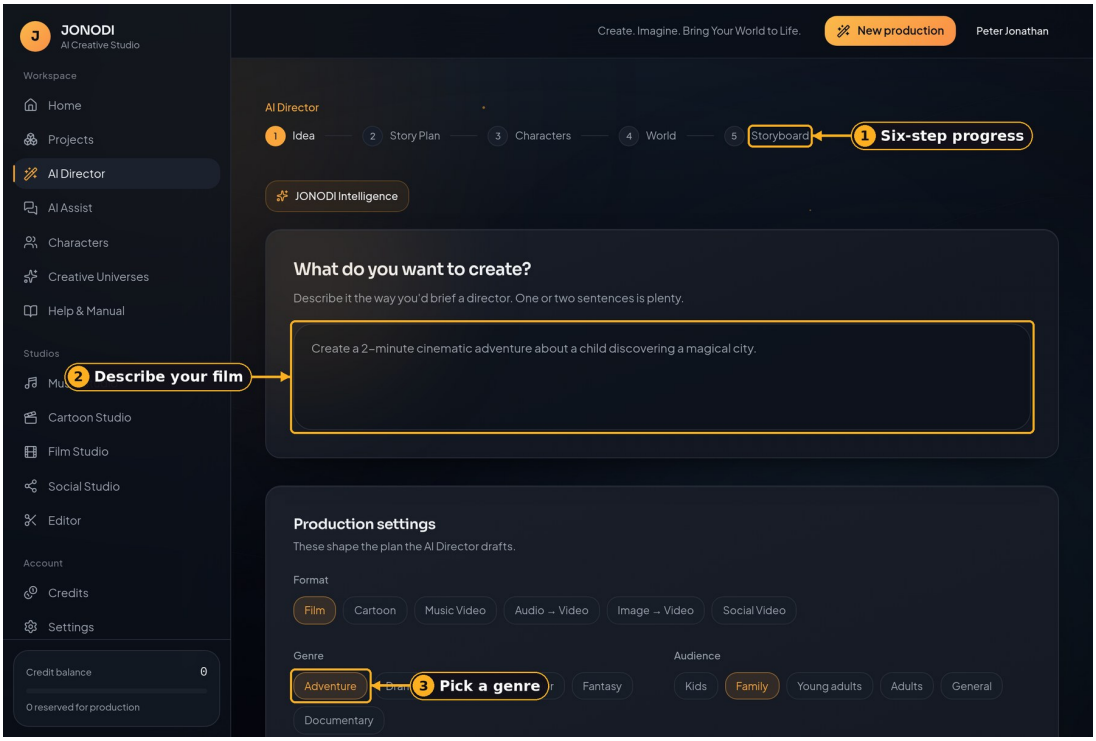
1. Press a creation card or a studio's New button.
2. The AI Director opens on the Idea step. Continue with the AI Director section below.

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AI Director

Think of the AI Director as a film assistant. You describe an idea in your own words; it drafts the story, characters, world and scenes for you to check and change.

Turns your idea into a full production plan in six steps: Idea, Story Plan, Characters, World, Storyboard and Approval.



AI Director, step 1: Idea.
On this screen: **1** Six-step progress, **2** Describe your film, **3** Pick a genre

> **Good to know**
> Your unfinished plan is saved automatically and returns when you come back.

Step by step

1. Idea: describe the film. Choose genre, audience, duration, visual style, tone, and languages (search the list or type a custom language, including Nigerian Pidgin). Optionally set a cinema tradition such as Nollywood, Bollywood or Korean cinema.
2. Press the generate button. JONODI Intelligence writes the title, logline, summary, characters, world and scenes. If it fails, your idea is kept and you can press retry.
3. Story Plan: read and edit the title, logline and summary.
4. Characters: approve, edit, regenerate or add characters. Turn on Character Lock to keep a character's look consistent.
5. World: edit locations, time period and world rules.

6 Storyboard: add, delete, duplicate, reorder, edit or regenerate scene cards.

7 Approval: the 'Production Plan Ready' screen lists scenes, duration and estimated credits per category. Press Approve & Start Production to continue, or Edit Production Plan to go back.

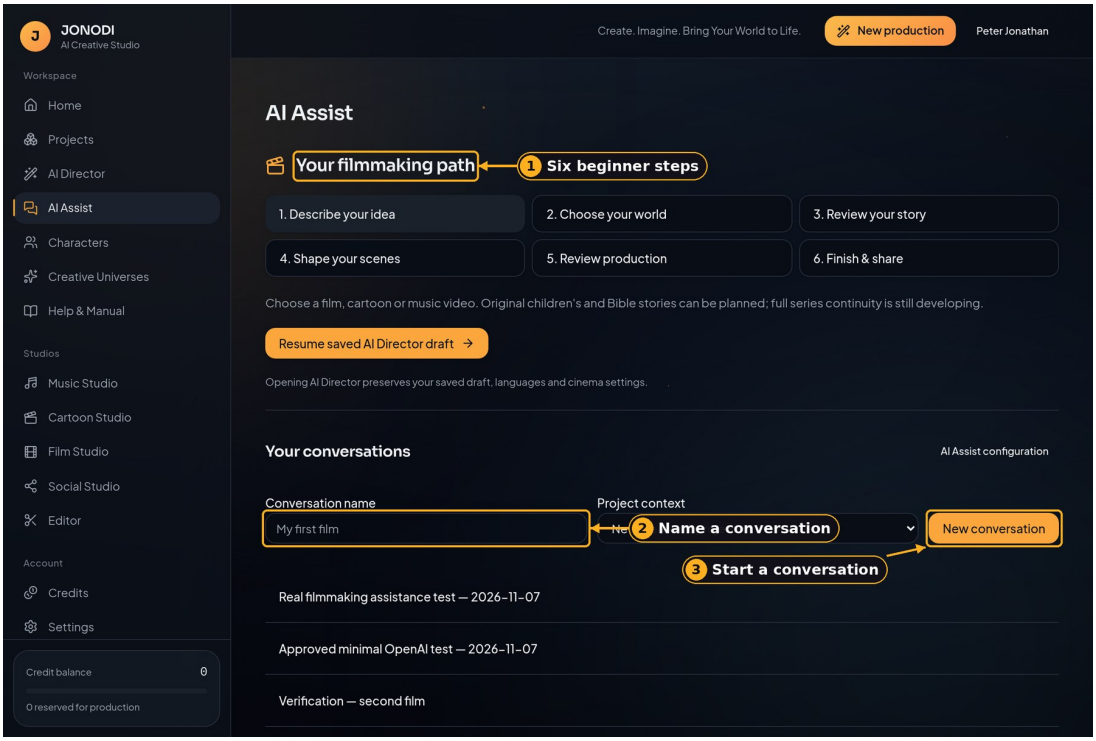
Before you continue
Approving reserves production credits. Credits are only spent as each scene completes; failed or cancelled scenes release their reservation. Planning itself does not use production credits.

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AI Assist

AI Assist is a step-by-step coach for beginners. You can follow the six guided steps for free, and ask questions in private conversations.

A beginner filmmaking guide plus private conversations where you can ask for help with ideas, stories, characters, scenes and screenplays.



AI Assist: guided steps and private conversations.
On this screen: **1** Six beginner steps, **2** Name a conversation, **3** Start a conversation

Good to know
If paid assistance is not configured, the visual guide still works but chat is disabled.

Step by step

1. Open AI Assist from the menu. The six-step visual guide explains how to make a film and links to the right page.
2. Start a conversation, optionally attach a project for context, and type your question.
3. Before a paid answer is sent, JONODI shows the estimated cost. Press approve to send it once.
4. Conversations are private to your account and remain after reload.

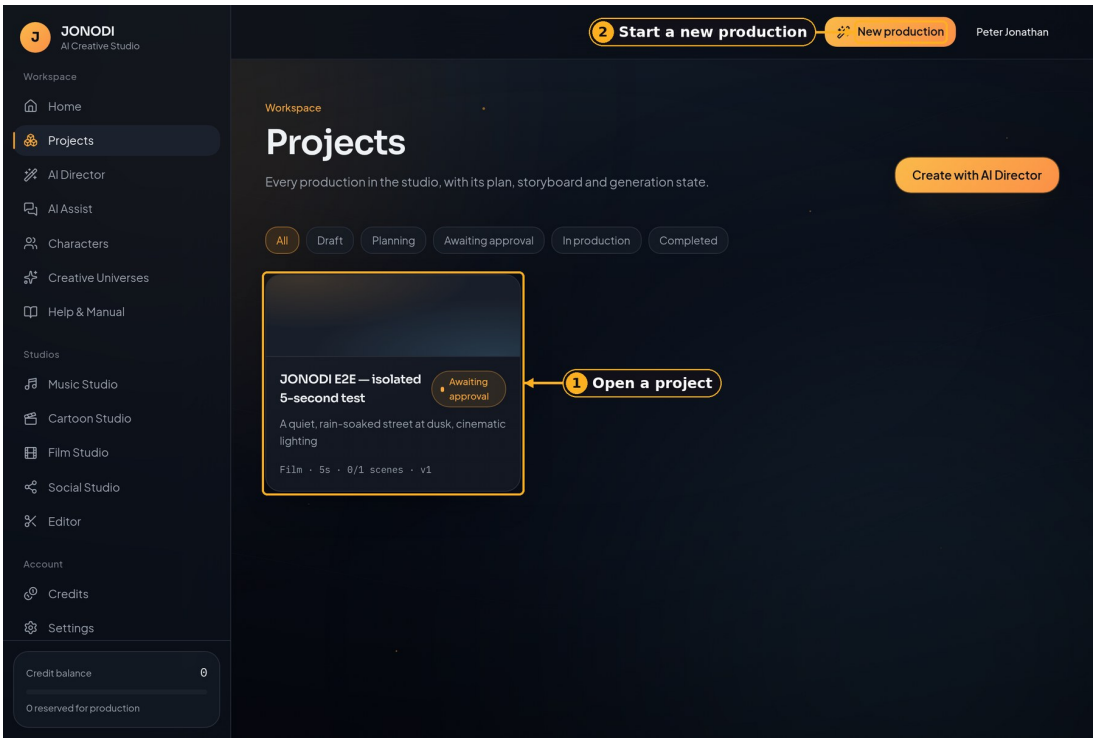
Before you continue
Paid AI Assist answers have a small cost shown before sending. They are separate from production credits. AI Assist does not edit your projects automatically.

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Projects and project management

Once you approve a plan it becomes a project. A project is a folder for one film, with tabs for each part of the work.

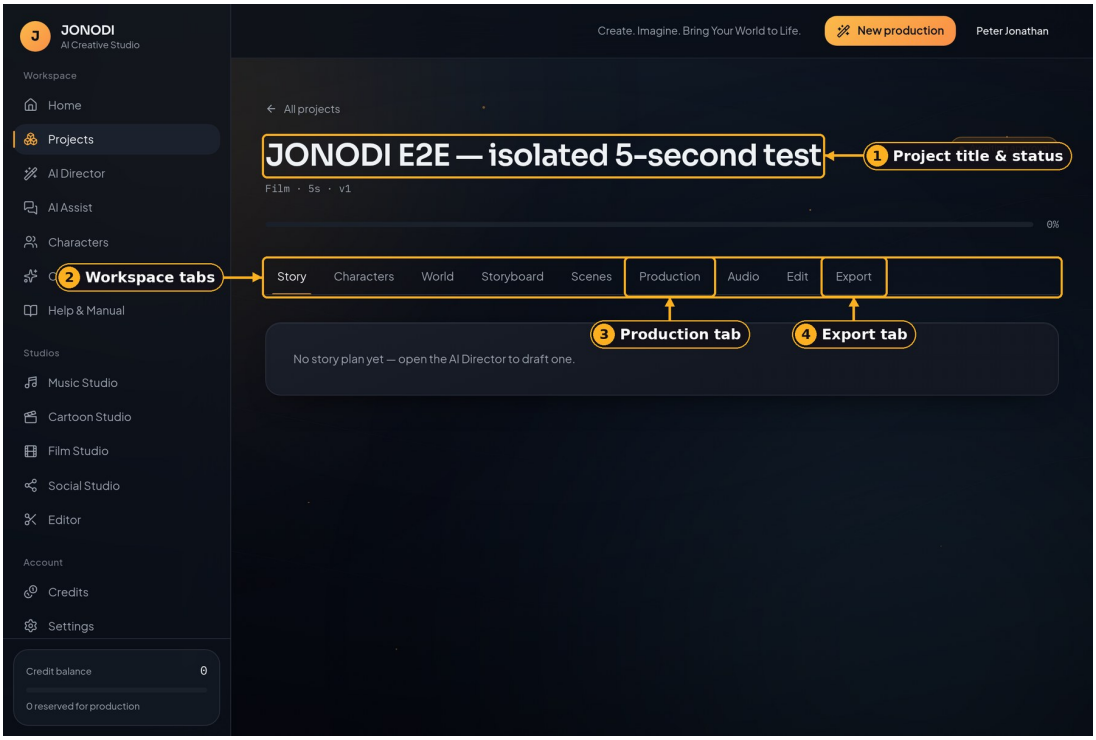
Every approved plan becomes a project with its own workspace.



The Projects page.
On this screen: **1** Open a project, **2** Start a new production

Step by step

1. Open Projects to see all your productions with status, scene progress and version.
2. Click a project card to open its workspace.
3. Use the tabs: Story, Characters, World, Storyboard, Scenes, Production, Audio, Edit and Export.
4. Changes are saved to your account and protected so two devices cannot overwrite each other.



A project workspace and its tabs.

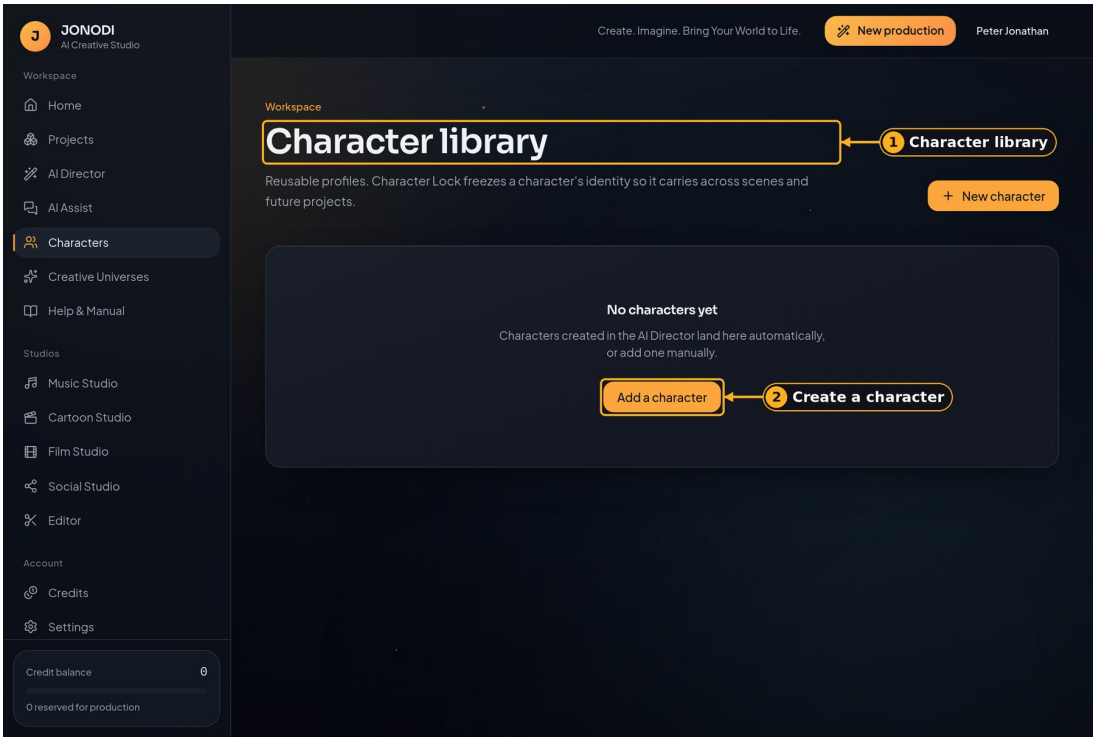
On this screen: **1** Project title & status, **2** Workspace tabs, **3** Production tab, **4** Export tab

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Characters and Creative Universes

Characters are the people (or animals) in your films. Creative Universes keep the rules of a story world together.

Characters is your library of recurring characters; Creative Universes keeps shared worlds and canon.



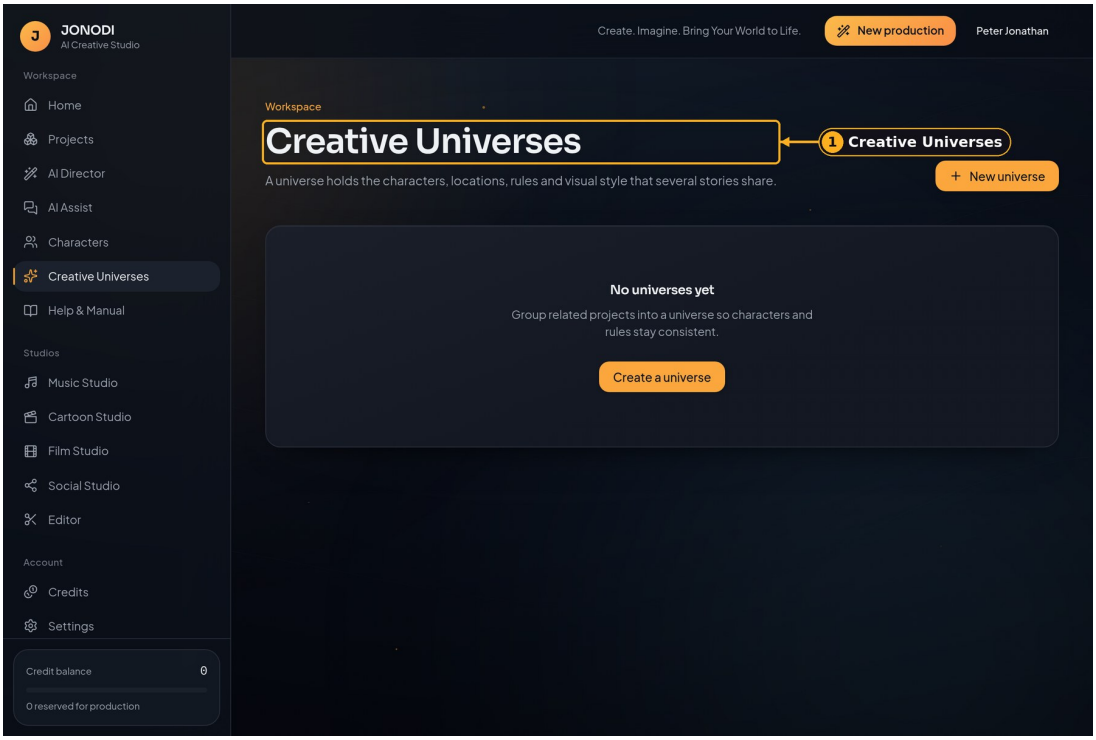
The Character library.
On this screen: **1** Character library, **2** Create a character

> **Good to know**
> Full series continuity (seasons and episodes) is not available yet.

Step by step

1 Open Characters to browse characters from your projects. Character Lock keeps appearance consistent across scenes.

2 Open Creative Universes to view shared worlds. Canon Lock protects established facts.



Creative Universes.
On this screen: **1** Creative Universes

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Music, Cartoon, Film and Social Studios

The studios are shortcuts that list your projects by type. They are not separate editing tools yet.

Each studio lists your projects of that format and has a New button that opens the AI Director with that format selected.

Good to know
Studios are organised views of your productions; they are not separate editing tools.

Good to know
Real music and voice generation depend on a connected provider and are not enabled for beta users. Nigerian Pidgin voice is not supported by the current voice provider and will be blocked rather than replaced.

Step by step

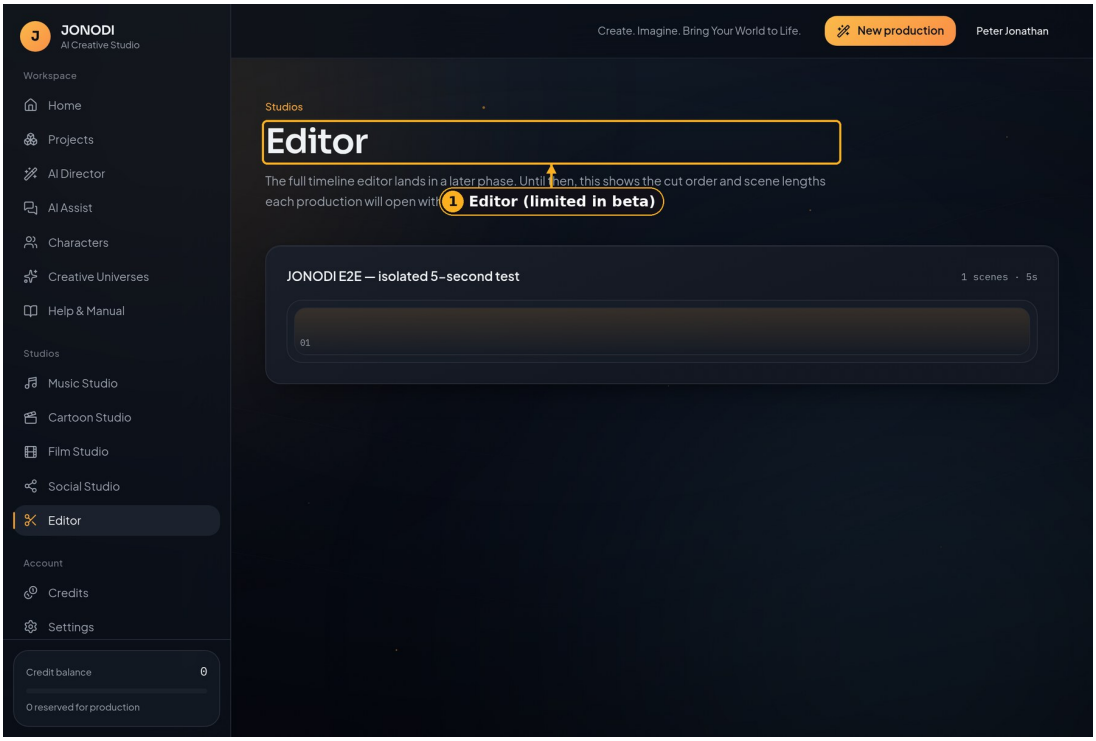
1. Open a studio from the Studios menu group.
2. Click an existing project to open it, or press New to start one.

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Editor

The Editor is an early preview. A full timeline editor is not available in this beta.

Shows the scene order and lengths each production will open with.



The Editor (limited preview).
On this screen: **1** Editor (limited in beta)

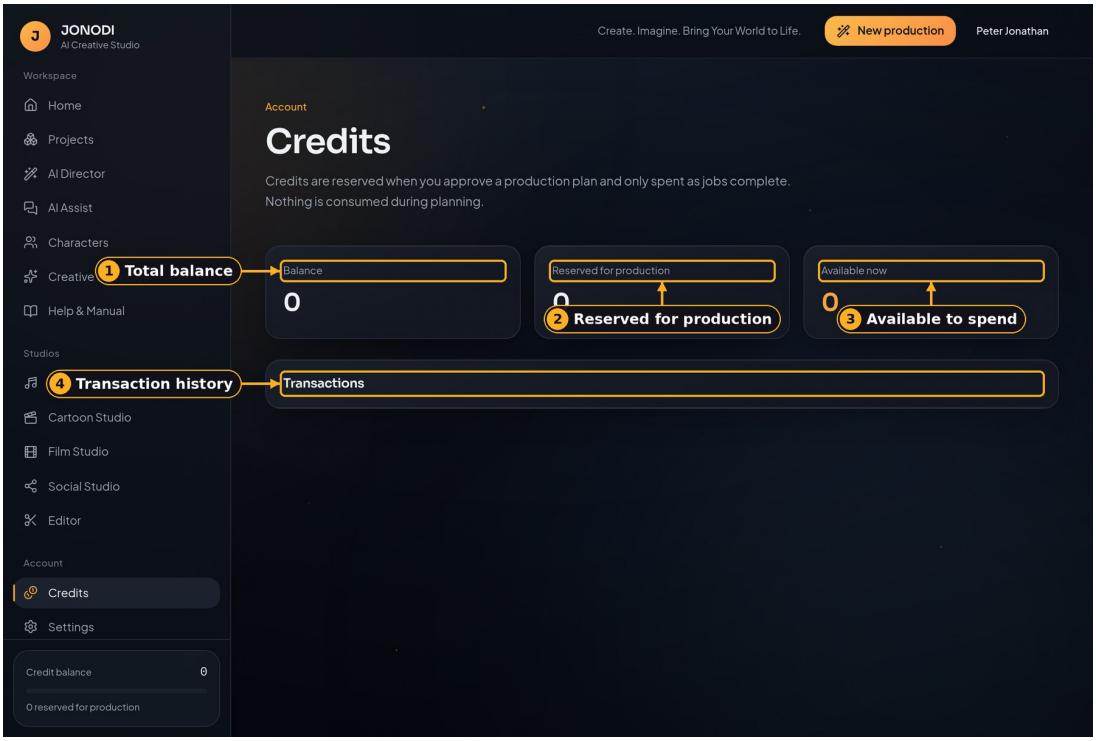
Good to know
The full timeline editor (trimming, transitions, audio mixing) is not available yet. To change scene order, use the project's Storyboard tab.

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Credits and generation costs

Credits are JONODI's currency for making real media. Planning is free; credits are only used when real scenes are made.

Credits pay for media generation. The Credits page shows your balance, reserved credits and transactions.



The Credits page.
On this screen: **1** Total balance, **2** Reserved for production, **3** Available to spend, **4** Transaction history

Step by step

1. Check your balance before approving a production plan.
2. When you approve, the estimate is reserved (held).
3. As each scene completes, its credits are spent. Failures and cancellations release the hold.

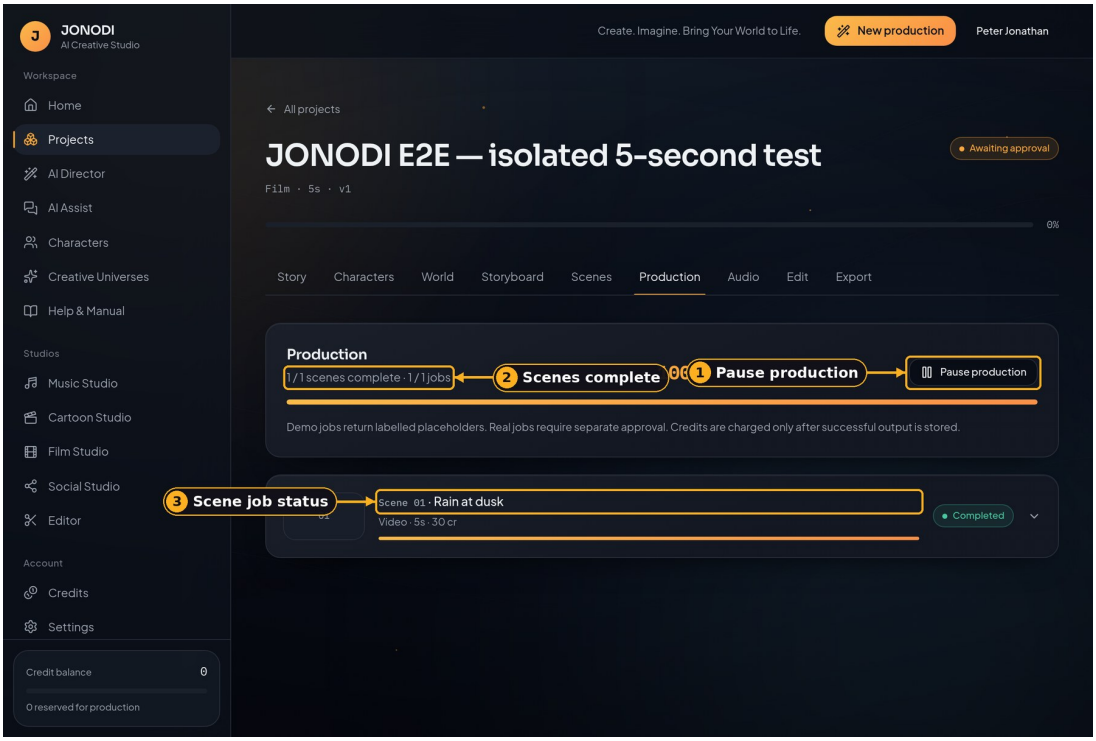
Before you continue
A five-second real video scene uses about 30 credits. Credit purchases are not available during beta; new accounts start at zero.

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Video generation and scene management

Generation is when JONODI actually makes a video clip for a scene. Real clips use credits and need your approval first.

After approval, each scene becomes a generation job shown on the project's Production tab.



The Production tab of a project.
On this screen: **1** Pause production, **2** Scenes complete, **3** Scene job status

Step by step

1. Open the project and choose the Production tab.
2. Each scene shows Queued, Processing, Completed, Failed or Cancelled.
3. Use Pause/Resume, Cancel, Retry (for failed scenes) or Regenerate. Each retry or regenerate is a new paid job and needs your approval.
4. Completed scenes show a preview. Clips labelled DEMO are placeholders, not real generated video.

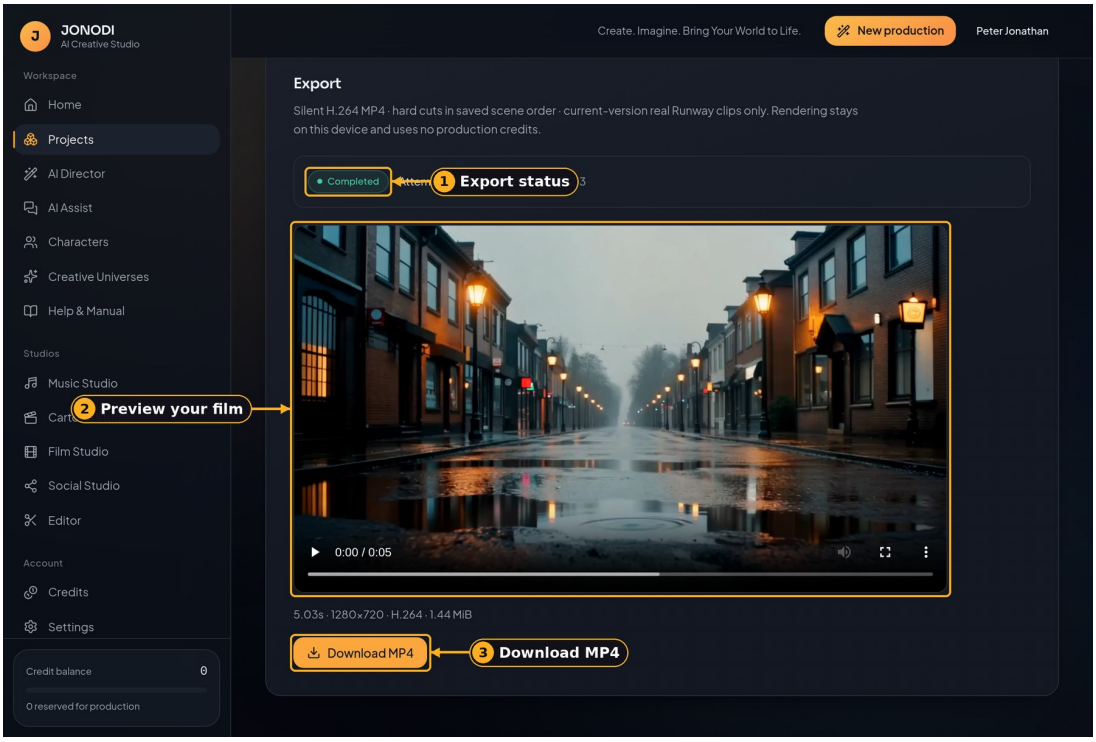
Before you continue
Real video uses Runway Gen-4.5 and costs credits plus provider charges. JONODI never retries a paid job automatically.

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Exporting, downloading and saving videos

Exporting joins your finished clips into one MP4 video file you can play and keep.

The Export tab joins your real generated clips into one silent MP4 in your browser.



The Export tab with a finished MP4.
On this screen: **1** Export status, **2** Preview your film, **3** Download MP4

Good to know
Exports are silent (no audio) with simple cuts. Export uses no production credits.

Step by step

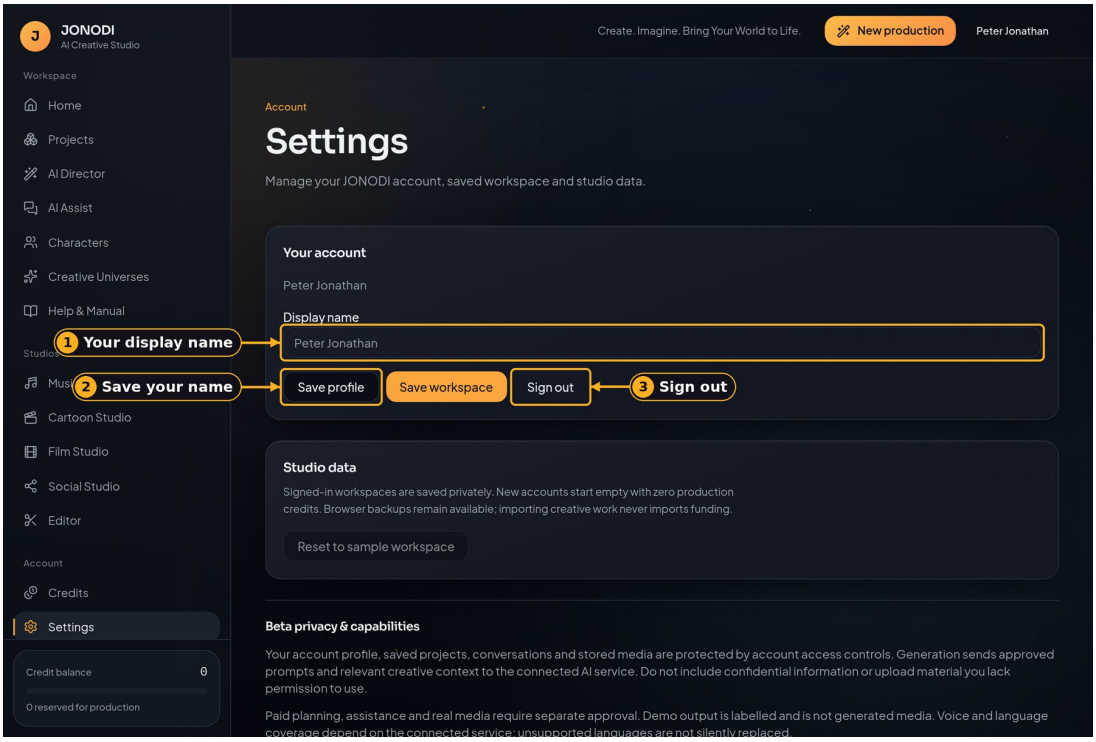
1. Open the project and choose the Export tab.
2. Check that every scene has a current real clip. Demo clips cannot be exported.
3. Press the export button and keep the tab open while it renders.
4. Play the result in the page, then press Download. Exports are stored privately in your account.

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Settings, privacy and account security

Settings is where you manage your account, your display name and see privacy and support information.

Manage your account, saved workspace and read the beta privacy and capability notes.

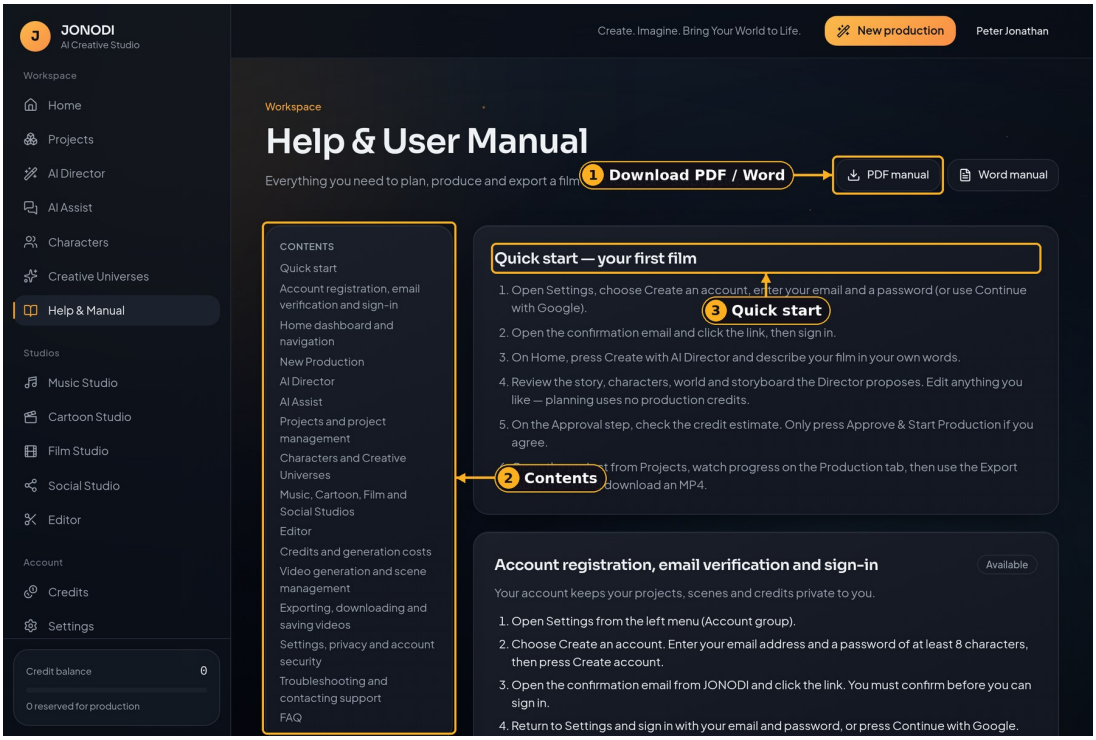


Settings when signed in.
On this screen: **1** Your display name, **2** Save your name, **3** Sign out

> **Good to know**
> Provider settings are visible only to administrators.

Step by step

1. Open Settings to change your display name, sign out, or import browser data you created before signing in.
2. Your projects, conversations, media and exports are private to your account.
3. Use a strong, unique password and sign out on shared computers.



The Help & Manual page.
On this screen: **1** Download PDF / Word, **2** Contents, **3** Quick start

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Troubleshooting and contacting support

If something doesn’t work as expected, start here before contacting support.

Common problems and how to fix them.

Step by step

1. Cannot sign in: confirm your email first, check spam, or reset your password.
2. Blank or stuck page: refresh the browser.
3. AI Director failed: your idea is kept; press retry.
4. Approve is blocked: you may not have enough credits.
5. Scene failed: no credits are spent for it. Retry only if you accept the new cost.
6. Export unavailable: every scene needs a current real clip.
7. Still stuck? Email peterodionjonathan@hotmail.com with your account email, project name and what happened.

CHAPTER 17

Frequently asked questions

Does planning cost credits?

No. Production credits are only reserved when you approve a plan.

What does DEMO mean?

A placeholder used for testing. It is not real generated media.

Can I buy credits?

Not during beta.

Does the export include sound?

Not yet. Exports are silent MP4 files.

Can other users see my work?

No. Your workspace is private to your account.

CHAPTER 18

Glossary

AI Director	The six-step planner that turns your idea into a production plan.
Approval	The step where you agree to a credit estimate before any real media is made.
Character Lock	Keeps a character’s look the same across scenes.
Canon Lock	Keeps the rules of a Creative Universe fixed.
Credits	JONODI’s currency for real media generation.
Reserved credits	Credits held for an approved production but not yet spent.
DEMO	A labelled placeholder for testing. Not real generated media.
Export	Joining your finished clips into one MP4 file.
MP4	A common video file format that plays on most phones and computers.
Scene	One short part of your film, usually a few seconds long.
Storyboard	The list of scene cards that shows your film in order.

Getting help

Open **Help & Manual** in the left menu any time, or email the beta support team: **peterodionjonathan@hotmail.com**.