

# The Dragon Player Handbook

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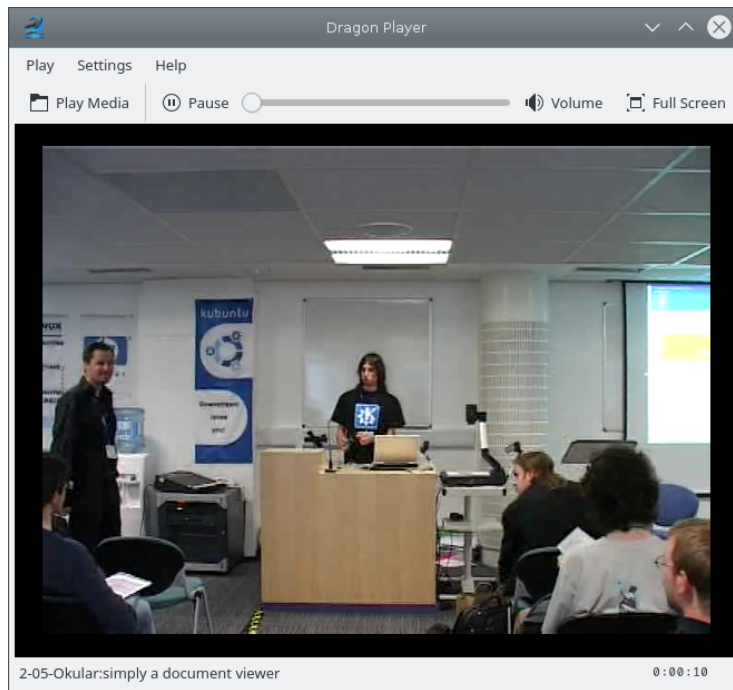
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### **Abstract**

Dragon Player is a simple video player by KDE.

## Chapter 1

# Introduction

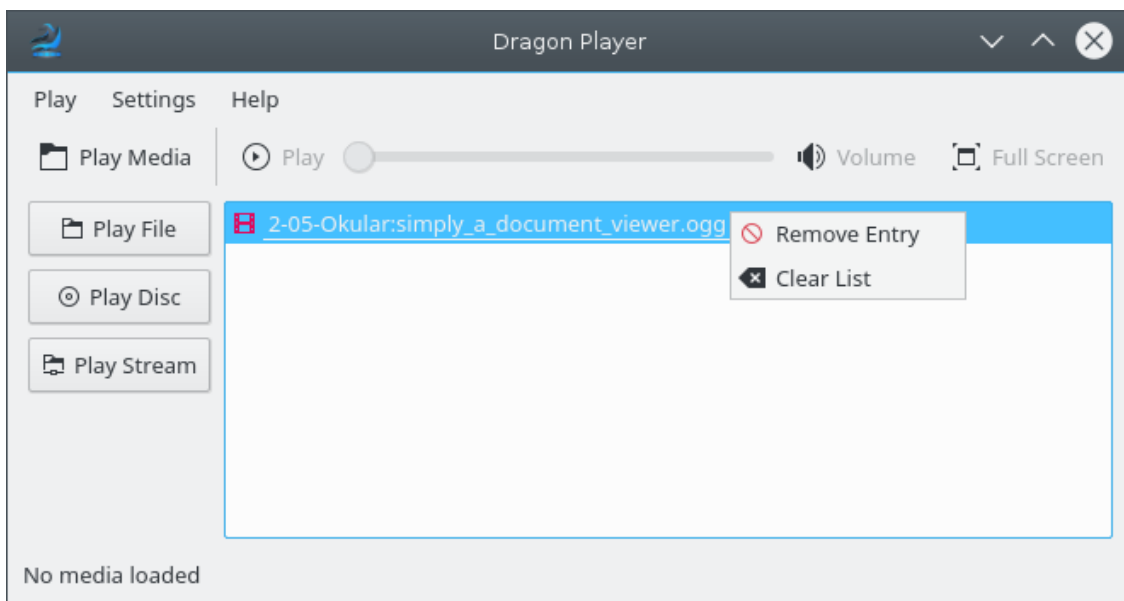


Dragon Player is a simple media player using Phonon technology. Dragon Player is a no frills media player that excels at playing DVDs and movie files without getting in your way.

## Chapter 2

# Select a Media

If you start Dragon Player from the application launcher or use **Play Media (Ctrl+O)** from the toolbar or from the **Play** menu this window is displayed:



There are three ways to play a video file:

**Play File** opens the file dialog and allows you to select a file to play.

**Play Disc** to play a CD or DVD.

**Play Stream** opens a dialog to enter an address of some [multimedia stream](#).

Double click on an entry in the play list with recently opened files to start playing it. The context menu of the play list shows actions to remove a selected entry or clear the whole play list. Any file you played will be automatically added to the list.

## Chapter 3

# Features

### Full Screen Mode

While playing a movie, you can enter full screen mode. This uses the entire monitor to display the movie. Moving the mouse shows a toolbar at the top of the screen in full screen mode. Toggle the full screen mode using the **Settings** menu, the action in the toolbar, double click on the video or use the shortcut **F**.

### Video Settings

Select this action from the **Settings** menu to adjust **Brightness**, **Contrast**, **Hue** and **Saturation**. These settings are stored together with the playback position for each video file. This enables you resume playing a video with the selected video settings and the position where you stopped playing.

### Navigation

The shortcut **PgUp** brings you 10% forward / + 10 seconds forward and **PgDown** brings you 10% backward / - 10 seconds backward. Use **Settings** → **Menu Toggle (R)** to switch to the video menu and select another chapter to play. **Play** → **Play/Pause (Space)** allows you to pause and resume playback if a movie is loaded. **Play** → **Stop (S)** stops playback. Go to the previous or next chapter of a video with **Previous Chapter (,)** or **Next Chapter (.)** from the **Play** menu.

### Volume control

If you play videos with a hidden toolbar, you can use the shortcut **M** to mute or unmute the sound; and the shortcut **V** to toggle the display of the volume slider right to the video.

### Settings → Aspect Ratio

This menu lets you pick the aspect ratio of the playing movie. The aspect ratio is width of movie compared to the height.

### Subtitles and Audio Channels

These menu items from the **Settings** menu are active if there are any subtitles or additional audio channels (e.g. with different languages) available from the currently playing movie. Note that it may take a few seconds of playback before the subtitles or audio channels become available.

## Chapter 4

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