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Housatonic Camera Club Newsletter

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President's Message

by Dawn Dingee
Jeff Breitman



We had a great turn out for our annual Christmas Dinner! As usual, the caterers from Noble Horizons did a great job with the decorations, table settings, food and of course the wonderful service. Please try to attend next year if you couldn't attend this year...it was a really nice evening to relax and enjoy our love of photography. We made \$37 for the club on our 50/50 raffle and Scott Whalen was the lucky winner.



Photos from 2016 HCC Christmas Dinner

I wanted to share some pictures but please excuse the quality as they were taken on my iPhone. As I say each year, we should try to find a photographer to take pictures for us.



See page 10 for more photos.

Remember, for *February's* meeting, we are looking for 3-4 members to volunteer to do a 15-20m program on any topic. If you are willing, please let Jeff and I know. Also, if you have a topic you would like to see covered, let us know that too.

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January Meeting

Presentation by Jeff Breitman

B & W

IMAGERY IN A WORLD OF COLOR

An overview of the incredible power of Black & White imagery. With examples of iconic photos, and an overview of the techniques and processes from the earliest B&W methods through film and the transition into the digital realm.

Tuesday, January 17th 7:00 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

Noble Horizons Salon Show – January 2017

Our annual Noble Horizons Salon Show will take place from **January 20, 2017 – February 21, 2017**. Opening reception will be January 20th 5-7pm. Drop off dates are January 14th and 15th. When the framed photographs are dropped off, each should be accompanied by two fully completed entry forms. If you have any questions about the show or what you need to do, please contact Ann at stonefoxphoto@aol.com or Bill at abundancehill@verion.net. For those participating in the show, the photos in this show will move to Souterrain Gallery at The Wish House in West Cornwall where our show will open on June 10 for 4 - 6 weeks.

Sharon Historical Society – January 2017

We will have a second salon show at the Gallery @the SHS of the Sharon Historical Society & Museum in January from **January 14, 2017 – March 3, 2017** located at 18 Main Street, Route 41, Sharon, CT. A wine and hors d'oeuvre opening reception will be January 14th 5-7pm. Drop off date is January 7 between 10:00am and noon. There will be 8 participating HCC members in this show. Like the Noble show, when the framed photographs are dropped off, each should be accompanied by two fully completed entry forms. If you have any questions about the show or what you need to do, please contact Lazlo at lazlo1@optonline.net or Jeff at sylvan4570@comcast.net.

Announcements

HOUSATONIC CAMERA CLUB REPRESENTATIVES for 2016/2017 season

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www.psa-photo.org



www.neccc.org

To all Club Members

For future editions of the newsletter, consider submitting:

- Your favorite place to photograph
- The story behind the picture
- Places to Photograph
- Share photo printing tips
- Share photography tips
- Your photo blog or website URL

Message to New Members

Member profiles are a good way to share information about yourself and your love of photography. If you do not have a current profile on file, please submit one to Bill DeVoti at abundancehill@verizon.net. Also, don't forget to submit a few photos to be used in the newsletter with your profile. I look forward to hearing from some of our newest members.

Club flickr site:

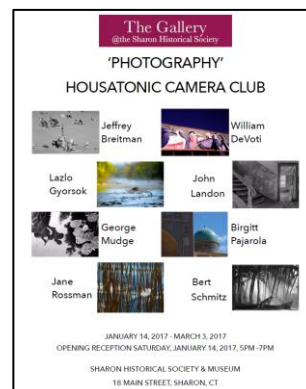
<https://www.flickr.com/photos/124371381@N07/>

Photos submitted to the club flickr site appear on the Housatonic Camera Club website on the HOME page.



*Assigned Topic for February
Forgotten Objects*

Don't forget to promote our upcoming shows to your family and friends - *Noble Horizons* and *Sharon Historical Society* are both in January!





ASSIGNED TOPIC – People at Work

Each month, we will have a newsletter “topic of the month” – members are encouraged to submit photos that are a good representation of the topic. This month’s topic was “PEOPLE AT WORK”. February’s topic will be “Forgotten Objects”.



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©John Landon



©Birgitt Pajarola Waitress serving lunch in yurt camp (Uzbekistan)



Lobster Lady ©Jane Rossman



Clam Digger ©Jane Rossman



Painting the Steeple ©Jane Rossman



ASSIGNED TOPIC – People at Work



At the Barber ©Bert Schmitz



The Rescue ©Judith Gott



©John Landon



© Rick Pauline



Workers protest in Ireland ©Bill DeVoti



Glass Blowers in Beacon ©Dawn Dingee

PSA Travel Competition Submissions



<https://psa-photo.org/>

The following 6 photos were selected by the club to represent HCC in the PSA Travel Division (PTD) for Interclub Competition. Members vote and the top 6 photos from different makers are sent to PSA to represent HCC.



Sulawesi Stroll ©John Landon



Shoes off in Samarkan ©Birgitt Pajarola



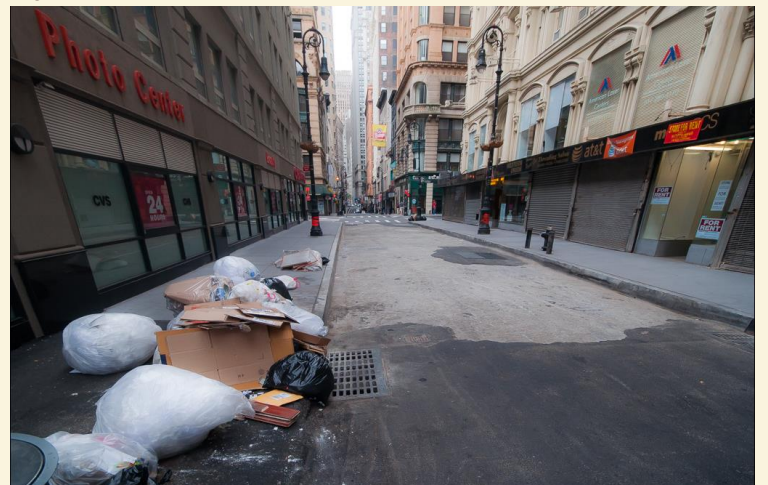
The Hoe ©G. A. Mudge



Footbridge at Sunset ©Bert Schmitz



Just another day in New Orleans ©Dawn Dingee



Streets of New York City ©Lazlo Gyorsok

PSA Projected Image Submissions



<https://psa-photo.org/>

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Night Launch ©Dawn Dingee



Thump Thump ©Rick Pauline



Sawtooth Mountain ©John Landon

PSA Projected Image Submissions continued



October Morning On Lake Waramaugby ©Lazlo Gyorsok



Sitting on the last snow @Bert Schmitz



Fishing Draught ©Birgitt Pajarola



HOLIDAY PARTY & DECEMBER MEETING

This year's holiday party was enjoyable. We had about 20 attendees. Noble Horizons always does a nice job with decorations and table settings to get us into the holiday spirit. Happy hour was from 5:00 – 6:00 pm; dinner was from 6:00 – 7:00 pm and our program started at 7:00. After some announcements and presentation of ribbons for past competition wins, we reviewed the commentary from the NECC Digital Circuit.

We lucked out with the weather again this year. For those that attended, please let us know what you liked, what can be improved so we can make adjustments for next year if needed. ☺



How to Resize your photos

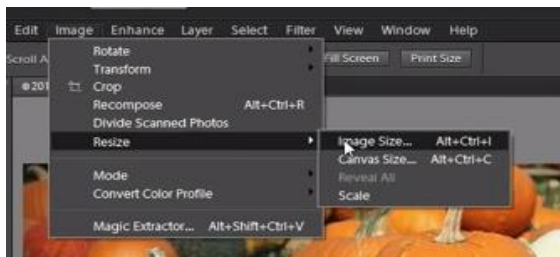
by Dawn Dinee

There are many ways to resize your photos which vary based on what operating system and program you are using. Below are 4 options for resizing your photos in some commonly used programs. If one of these don't work for you because you use a different software, let us know and we will provide information specific to the software you use! For others, I hope this provides the steps in an easy, simple way so you can resize your photos for competitions.

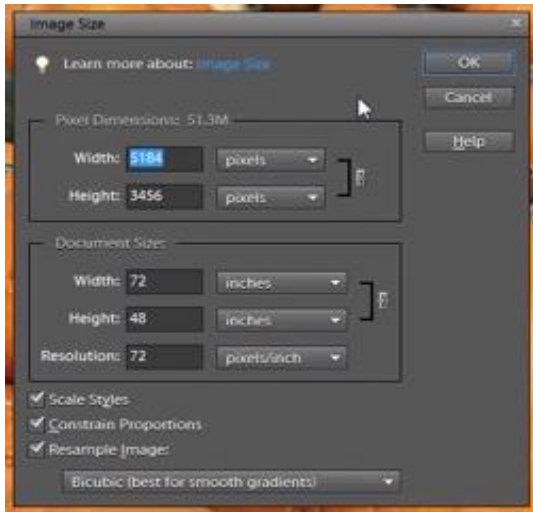
Adobe Photoshop Elements

Step 1: Open photo in Adobe Photoshop Elements

Step 2: Click Image, then Resize, then Image Resize



Step 3: Update the width and size and click OK



** For **landscape** photos, update Width to 1024 and allow the height to adjust automatically

** For **portrait** photos, update the Height to 768 and let the width adjust automatically

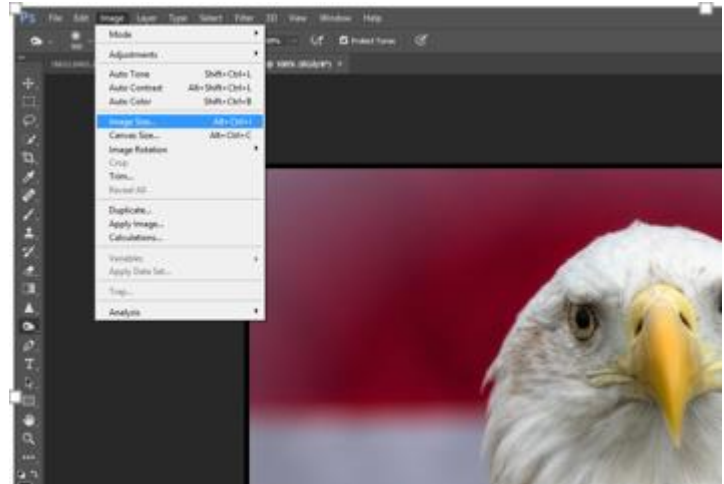
NOTE: Make sure "**Scale Styles**" and "**Constraint Proportions**" is **checked** so your photo scales proportionally as you change the size

For best results, set bottom drop-down to "**Bicubic Sharper (best for reduction)**"

Adobe Photoshop

Step 1: Open photo in Adobe Photoshop

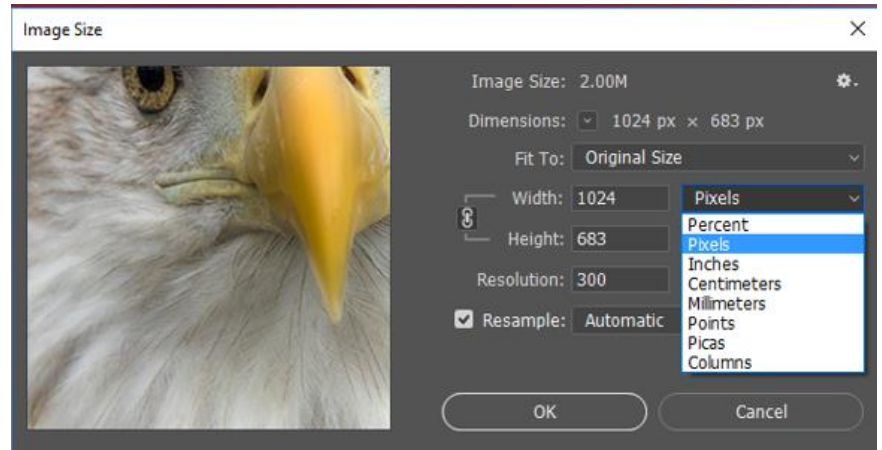
Step 2: Click Image, then Image Size



Step 3: Select "**Pixels**" for size type and then update Width and Height and then click OK.

** For landscape photos, update Width to 1024 and allow the height to adjust automatically

** For portrait photos, update the Height to 768 and let the width adjust automatically



That's it – 3 easy steps!

Pixel - unit of measure for digital images.

For competitions, photos must be sized 1024 X 768 pixels.

*A pixel is a small square of color information. It is advisable to not allow the software to **increase** the number of pixels although the software can do that; because the software will make up content and you won't get the best results. So never go higher than your starting pixel count on width or height.*

How to Resize your photos

continued

Microsoft Office Picture Manager

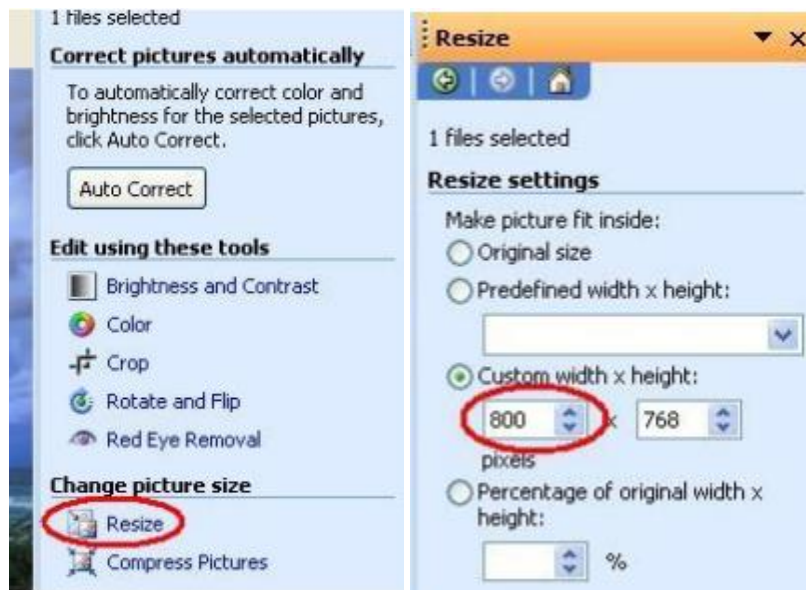
Step 1: Open the photo in Microsoft Office Picture Manager

Step 2: Click 'Edit Pictures...' button



Step 3: On the right side window, half-way down, click "Resize"

Step 4: Update the width to 1024 – you will see the height will adjust proportionally. If you are sizing a portrait photo, it is best to input the height to 1024 and allow the program to adjust the width.



Step 5: Click OK to save changes.

Megapixel – combination of height and width for digital images.

Lightroom

Lightroom is a little different than the other programs because Lightroom doesn't actually have a "resize" option. To resize a photo, you actually export a copy of the image to a new size.

Step 1: Open photo in Lightroom

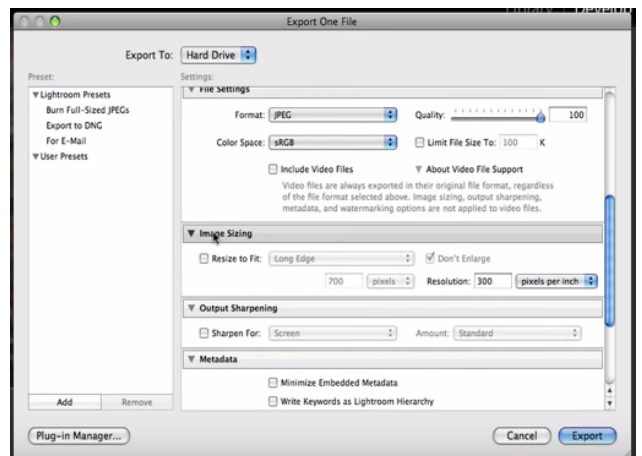
Step 2: Go to File, then Export



Step 3: Choose file type as JPEG if that is not the default.

Step 4: Select Color Space sRGB.

Step 5: In the Image Resizing section, choose "Width and Height" from the "Resize to Fit" drop-down.



Step 6: Input width 1024 and height should adjust automatically.

Step 7: Click export.

Which color space to use?

Adobe RGB is irrelevant for real photography. **sRGB** gives better (more consistent) results and the same, or brighter, colors. Using **Adobe RGB** is one of the leading causes of colors not matching between monitor and print. **sRGB** is the world's default color space.

HOUSATONIC CAMERA CLUB MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE 2016 – 2017 SEASON

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of the Month (Sept - June)
Where: Noble Horizons, 17 Cobble Rd, Salisbury, CT
Time: 7:00 pm (open to the public)
For directions, click here [Google Maps](#)

JANUARY 17 (Community Room, Cobble Building)

HCC Member Jeff Breitman – Topc: Black & White imagery.

FEBRUARY 21 (Wagner Learning Center)

Noble Show Critique; 3-4 Internal Speakers - speakers TBD*
** 3-4 speakers on varying topics for approx. 15 minutes each on a chosen topic. Topics TBD.*

MARCH 21 (Community Room, Cobble Building)

Photographer Anne Day will present “iPhone photography”.

APRIL 18 (Community Room, Cobble Building)

Digital Circuit, Review Competition submissions.

MAY 16 (Community Room, Cobble Building)

Photographer Joe Meehan will present “Infrared Photography”. We will also have our “Annual Swap Meet”.

JUNE 20 (Community Room, Cobble Building)

Happy Hour/Dinner followed by NECCC Recorded Commentary.

Happy New Year

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Housatonic Camera Club Membership Enrollment 2016—2017

I wish to enroll as a member for one year. Attached is the membership fee of \$25.00 (and \$10.00 for each additional family member).

Please hand or mail this form to the Treasurer, Judy Becker
13 Housatonic Ave. Canaan, CT 06018-2421; Email: judybecker40@att.net; Phone: 860-824-0561

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