

An Introduction to Resizing and Submitting your Digital Images

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Introduction

- With the introduction of competition using non-printed images an additional level of complexity was placed upon the members of the Club.
- Previously, to get a photo ready for competition it was printed either by yourself or by a service like Walgreens, Wal-Mart, or a lab.
- To get the proper dimensions all you had to do was tell the PC program or print service what size you wanted and like magic that's what you got.
- Normally, the only specification you had to concern yourself with was the resolution required for printed which typically was between 200 and 300 DPI.
- With online submissions you really only need to concern yourself with getting the correct dimensions so that the image will display properly on the TV that the Club uses for competition.

Image Dimensions Common Aspect Ratios Compared



Image Dimensions Camera Aspect Ratios Compared

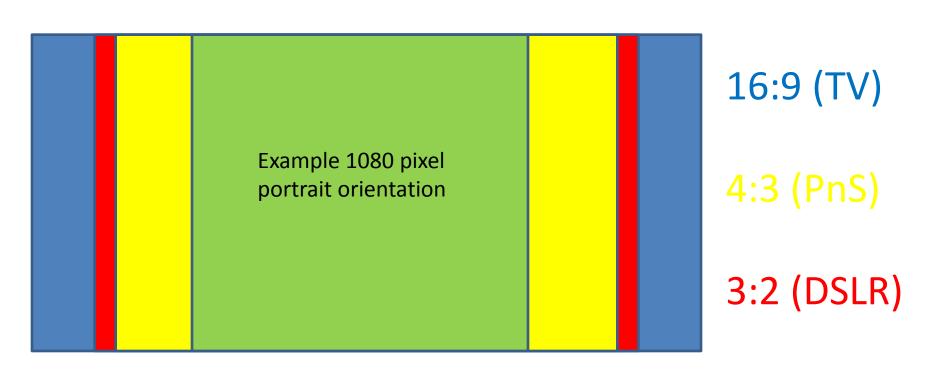


Image Dimensions Adjust or Accept?

- Now that we know something about image dimensions and aspect ratios what do we do about it.
- With printing you were mostly confined to standard sizes like 4X6, 5X7, 8X10, 11X14, and 16X20 which had an aspect ratios between 3:2 and 4:5 and complimented the 35MM and medium format camera dimensions almost exactly.
- The Club's previous and current requirements have not changed and are as follows:
 - Prepare your images so that the maximum dimensions do not exceed 1920 pixels wide and 1080 pixels high. DPI should range between 72 and 300.
- In the end when you are performing the resizing you need to decide to accept the original aspect ratio of the image or adjust it to better fit the aspect ratio of the Club TV display.

Image Preparation for Competition

- You can use a variety of computer programs to accomplish resizing.
- In the upcoming workshop we will focus on the three most common programs that our Club members use. Specifically they are Photoshop CS (pricey), Photoshop Lightroom 3 (less expensive)Photoshop Elements (affordable), and Picasa 3 (free).
- If you don't currently use one of these I would strongly recommend that you consider doing so.









Things to Consider

- If you resize your image correctly for the monitor the Club uses your entry will show better and have a greater chance of winning a merit award.
- Hopefully you can come to the workshop on Thursday and see that resizing is not that difficult.



Digital Image Submission Refresh

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Camera Club Home Page



Image Submission Page File Selection

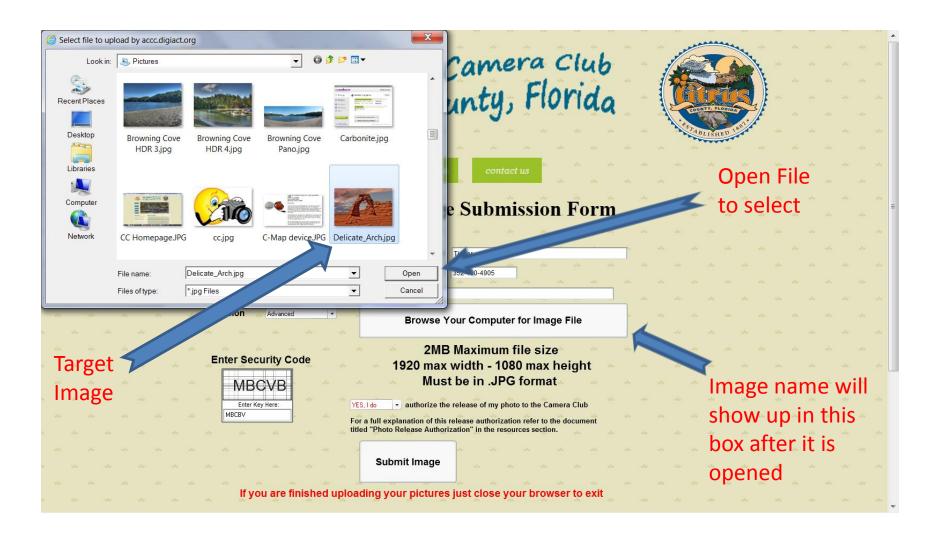


Image Submission Page Ready for Upload



Image Submission Page Final Step



Thank You Means Success (Maybe)



October Competition

- The competition theme for October is "Animals/Insects non-human" and will surely offer an exciting collection of entries.
- The competition window will open at midnight on Sunday 9/18 and close at 12:01AM on Monday 9/26.
- Please get your images in early as late entries will not be accepted.
- Refer to the <u>Image Submission User Guide</u> on the Club web site for all the details.
- NOTE There is no longer an Abstract division.

And Finally!!!

Have fun and take great pictures.



But if you do have a problem don't hesitate to contact me at actigner@digiact.com