

WCC Digital Image Submission Guidelines 2010/2011

On Results Night, a digitally image of the submitted print will be projected so that everyone can see each image as comments are read and scores announced. In order to do this, a digital file must accompany each print submission.

Note that for all print competitions, judging will be of the original prints, not the digital image. Prints will still be displayed at the back of the room for viewing and member's choice voting before the meeting and at break.

Submitting Digital Images

Digital image files can be stored on a CD, DVD or Flash Drive and submitted with the print or they can be e-mailed prior to the print deadline. The e-mail address will be announced prior to each competition.

Digital Image Format:

File Type - JPG

Maximum file size - 1.5 MB

Pixel Dimensions:

Maximum width - 1024 pixels

Maximum height - 768 pixels

Detailed Naming and Resizing Guidelines

1. Make a copy of your original file and save it as a jpg using the following naming protocol:

Contest Number, dash, Last Name, dash, First Name.

Use C1 for contest one, C2 for contest two, C3 for contest three and PA for the Photo Art contest.

Examples: C1-Smith-Jane.jpg, C2-Jones-Tom.jpg, C3-Pinkerton-RuthAnn.jpg,
PA-Anderson--Robert.jpg

(DO NOT include an image title or any other information in the file name)

2. Images must be resized so that their horizontal dimension does not exceed 1024 pixels and the vertical dimension does not exceed 768 pixels.

For example:

If your image is sized to produce a horizontal (landscape) print:

- 10" wide by 7.5" high, it can be resized to exactly 1024 x 768 pixels

- 10" wide by 8" high, it should be resized to 960 x 768 pixels

- 12" wide by 8.5" high, it should be resized to 1024 x 725 pixels

If your image is sized to produce a vertical (portrait) print:

- 8" wide by 10" high, it should be resized to 614 x 768 pixels

- 8.5" wide by 12" high, it should be resized to 544 x 768 pixels

The closer the image is to 1024 x 768 pixels, the better it will project. For example and image that is only 400 pixels wide by 300 pixels high will appear very pixelated when projected.

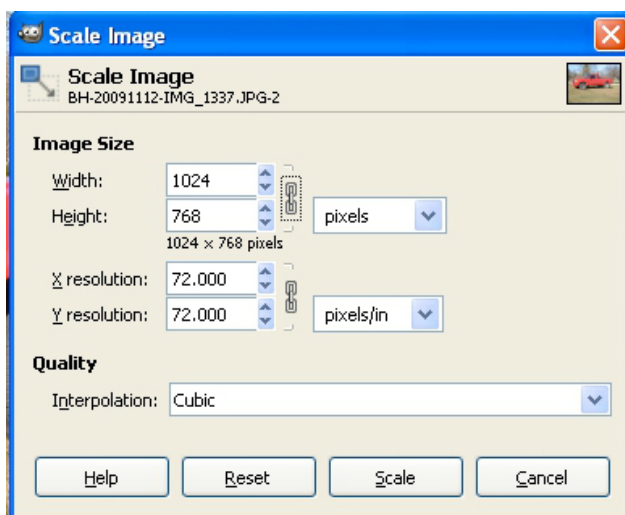
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How to resize your image:

1. If you take your digital image to a lab for printing ask them to give you a jpg file resized to the required dimensions.
2. Adobe Photoshop or Elements (PC and MAC)
From the drop-down menu select Image > Image Size. Using the Dialogue box select Constrain Proportions and Resample Image. Change the resolution to 72 (do this before changing the pixel dimensions). Next, in the Pixels Dimensions box, type the desired width or height (1024 or 768). Select OK.



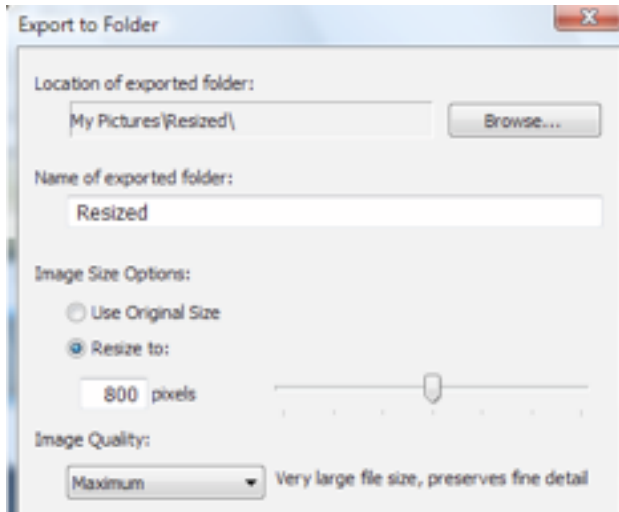
3. Google Picasa (PC and MAC)
Select the picture that you want to resize and click the Export button. Set the X & Y resolution to 72 pixels. You will have the option to specify a location and a size for the exported picture.



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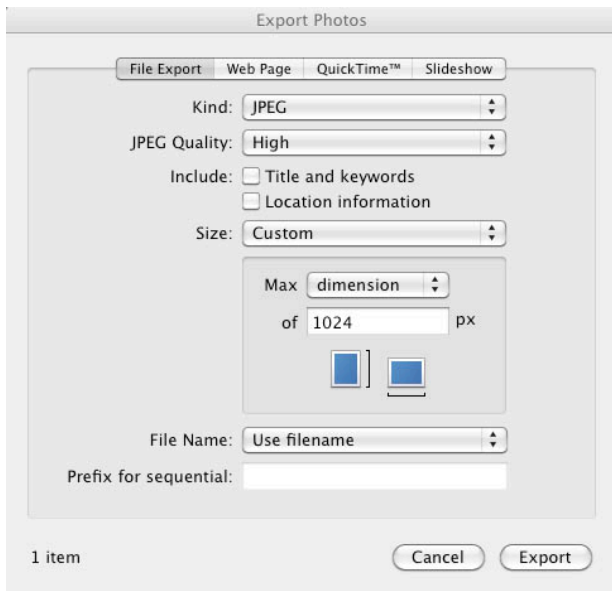
4. GIMP (PC and MAC)

Open the image and under the “Image” menu, select “Scale Image...”. Enter the desired dimensions and click the “Scale” button.



5. iPhoto (MAC)

Select the image that you want to resize and then in the File menu select “Export”. In the Size drop-down, choose “Custom” and enter the maximum dimension (1024 or 768). When you click the “Export” button, it lets you rename the file and choose where to save it.



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6. Other Software

All photo editing software has some means of saving a copy of the original file, resizing it and giving the new file a name. Look under the various drop-down menus for words such as “Save As”, “Export”, “Scale”, “Resize”.

There are also a number of software products available specifically for resizing and renaming files. Try a Google search using “File Resizing Software”.

If you are having any difficulty with copying, resizing or renaming your image files, please contact Bill Hall by e-mail at bill@tomlyn.ca or phone at 519-536-9182 before the contest deadline.