# Resizing Images 

For
Virtual Shows
And
RAA Website Galleries

## What is a PIXEL?

- One of the squares the make up an image. Each square is a pixel.



## Pixels

- Don't think of pixels as a unit of size - even though they are often thought of units of size.
- The higher the resolution of an image, the smaller the pixels are and more can fit into the same space.
- Often our images are 72 ppi (pixels per inch). To increase the sharpness of an image we would make it 300 ppi.
- Instead of 72 little squares in an inch of space, we have 300 little squares in the same inch of space.


## 2 Different Size Pixels



## RAA Website Gallery - 700 px Virtual Show - 640 px

- The pixels noted should be that of longest dimension
- the longest dimension:


Longest Dimension


If your image is a square then just think of every side the longest dimension.

## How do we do that?

- If you have a Mac the simplest way to resize an image is with Preview
- Open your image in Preview
- Under tools select Adjust Size
- If the pulldown next to the Width \& Height says "inches" change it to pixels
- Make sure Scale proportionally is checked
- Click OK
- Save your image with a new name (e.g. add "resized" to the name).



## What if I'm on a PC?

- Use the "Photos" app
- Double-click the image file you want to resize to open it in Photos.
- Once it's opened, click the three dots in the top-right corner, then click "Resize."
- A small pop-up will appear, offering you three preset sizes for the picture. Pick one of them, or click "Define custom dimensions" at the bottom.
- Make sure "Maintain aspect ratio" is checked
- Click "Save resized copy."

I will include a pdf of this presentation in the next email blast.

