Sun City Summerlin Computer Club Seminar

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Where to Find the Materials

• Sun City Summer Computer Club Website:

<u>http://www.scscc.club/smnr/IntroductiontoWindowsPhotos.pdf</u>

Seminar Agenda

- Introduction
- The Photos Main Window
- Basic Image Editing Actions
- Restore an Old Color Photo Demo
- Portrait Remove Background Demo
- Album / Organizing Features

Introduction

- Photos is a FREE" photo editor bundled with Windows 10 and 11
- Has many nice features. Fairly easy to use.
- Not a full-featured image editor.
 - Has most basic adjustment tools.
 - Also has some basic "Al" tools to remove background and undesired objects.
 - No layers.
 - No drawing tools.
- We'll focus on most useful features for "mere mortals".
- Ask questions as we go.
- We'll work on a pair of interesting photo projects.
- We'll also look at Photos' album / organizing features

The Photos Adjustment Window



Exploring the Photos Tool Bar



- The photo editing capability of Photos is accessed via the tool bar.
- The cropping tool provides cropping.
- There's a slider on the bottom for arbitrary rotation.
- The Adjustments tool provides brightness/contrast, hue/saturation, adjusting bright and shadow areas.
- The Filters allow black & white and other adjustments.
- Let's explore some of the menu bar actions.

Project: Restore Old Color Photo (1)



Original Faded Wedding Photo



Final Restored Wedding Photo

Project: Restore Old Color Photo (2)

- Rotate and Crop the photo as needed
- Use the "automatic enhancer" to restore color.
- Adjust brightness, contrast and light / dark levels
- Adjusting hue / saturation
- Eliminating "undesired" elements
 - Use the spot healing tool to remove small flaws.
 - Fix red-eye, if needed.
- Resize the photo (as appropriate)
- Save the final result and print or publish.

Project: Portrait Replace Background (1)



Original Headshot



Background Removed



Background Replaced

Project: Portrait Replace Background (2)

- Rotate and Crop the photo as needed.
- Use the "automatic enhancer" to restore color, if needed.
- Adjust brightness, contrast and light / dark levels.
- Adjust hue / saturation / warmth.
 - Optional Click "Save As" to save the photo with adjustments.
- Click the "Background" button & choose "Remove background"
 - Optional Click "Save As" to save the photo with a transparent background.
- Click the "Background" button & choose "Replace background"
 - Use the color palette to choose a background color to be behind the subject.
 - Alas no option to choose a background image or create a gradient.
- Resize the photo (as appropriate).
- Save the final result and print or publish.

Photos Viewer / Organizer (1)



Photos Viewer / Organizer (2)

- You can tell Photos to look in specific folders for photos.
- Photos will scan each image and extract when the photo was taken.
- Photos will then display a timeline on the right of the window.
- You can specify various filters to limit what is displayed.
- You can edit photos from the albums.
- You can take a folder or other set of photos and launch clipchamp to make a video slideshow.



Final Questions and Answers