

# Photoshop Elements 6 – PDF Slide Show

- Instructions updated for Photoshop Elements 6 for Mac & PC (Elements 7 for PC has a whole new interface)
- The **PDF Slide Show** component of Photoshop is little known and therefore underutilized. You can use it to compress an entire folder of images and then upload it to a website, or attach it to email. Your recipients do NOT need Photoshop, just a PDF reader such as Adobe Acrobat Reader, now called simply *Adobe Reader 9*, a free download at [www.adobe.com/products/reader](http://www.adobe.com/products/reader)

1) Create a folder of resized & compressed JPEGs (1024x768 pixels for projection, 1680x1050 pixels for higher res monitors); the first jpeg preferably of text instructing of navigation; the jpegs arranged in numerical order (01xxx.jpg, 02xxx.jpg); the folder potentially named *jpegs4slideshow*

2) **FILE** menu → **Automation Tools** → **PDF Slide Show** → dialog box opens

3) **Source Files** window

- **Browse** → navigate to folder → highlight 1<sup>st</sup> image, then depress SHIFT key & highlight last image (otherwise one by one by one) → **Open** → images now listed in *Source Files* window

4) **Output Options** dialog box (these are recommendations, not edicts)

- *Save As: Presentation* / *Background: Black* (Mac only) / *Include: Filename* or omit

5) **Presentation Options** dialog box (these are recommendations, not edicts)

- un-checkmark *Advance Every ...* / checkmark *Loop after Last Page* / *Transition: Box Out*
- click **Save**

6) **Save** dialog box

- *File name* (Mac: *Save As*): whatever.pdf / *Save in* (Mac: *Where*): Desktop / click **Save**

7) **Save Adobe PDF** dialog box

- *General*: defaults fine, with addition checkmark of *View PDF After Saving*
- *Compression*: defaults fine if you already customized JPEGs at #1 above, but if you want to further compress this for sending as email attachment, then *Image Quality: Medium* or *Low*
- *Output*: defaults fine
- *Security*: omit
- click **Save PDF**

8) Images are processed; then *PDF* folder loads to desktop; after long pause, slideshow opens

9) (Mac only) **Full Screen** dialog box → checkmark *Remember my choice*, then choose **Yes**

10) Screen blacks out for approx 15 seconds, then first image appears; to navigate:

- FORWARD: *Left-Click* mouse or *Right Arrow* key
- REVERSE: *Right-Click* mouse or *Left Arrow* key
- EXIT slide show: *ESC* (escape) key
- RETURN to slide show: **Window** menu (or **View** menu) → **Full Screen View**
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