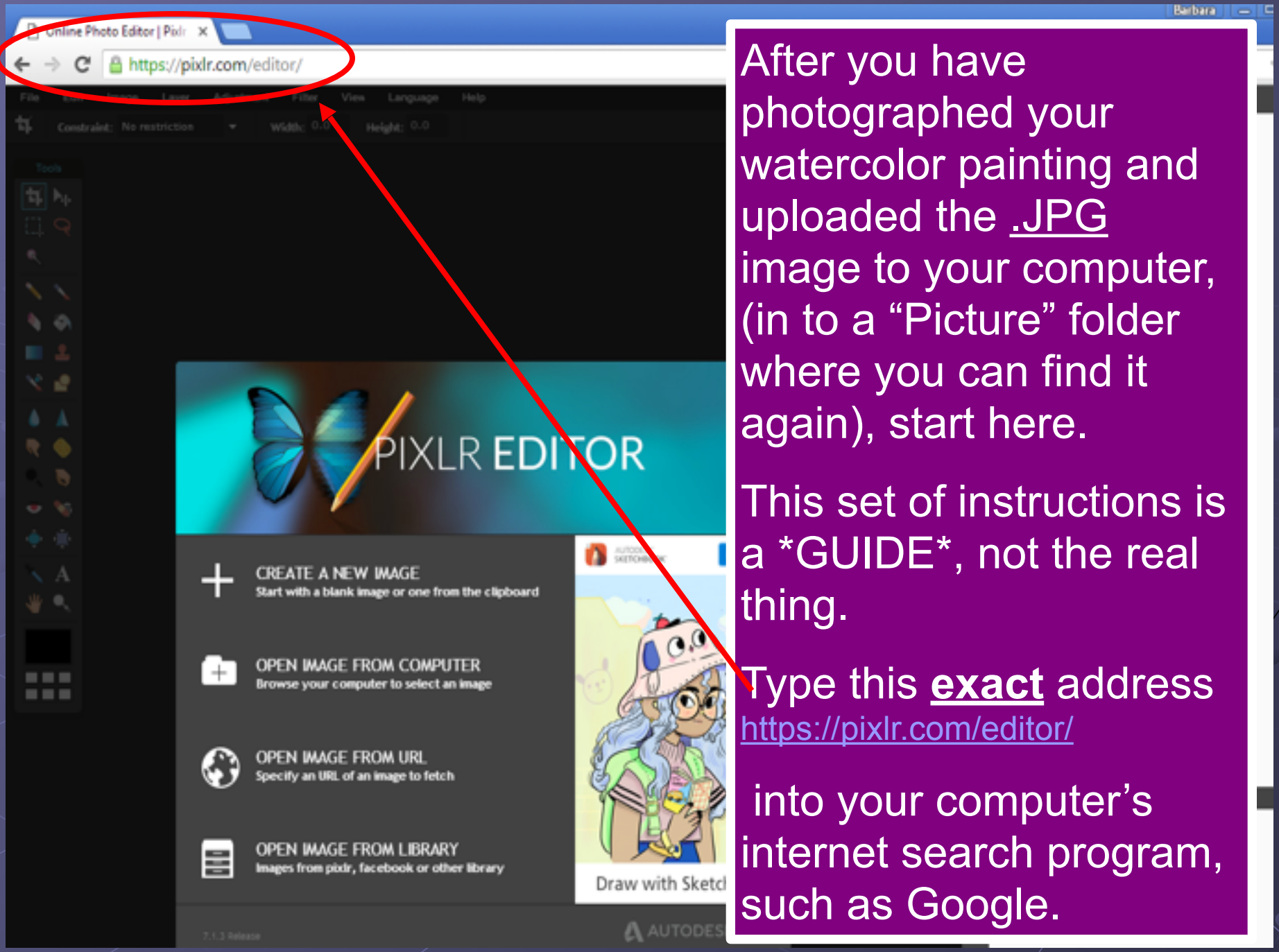
New Mexico Watercolor Society

NMWS Instructions for preparing photos for Exhibitions using the Pixlr.com program.

Note-there is NO NEED to download
or register for anything,
despite ads and prompts in the free program.

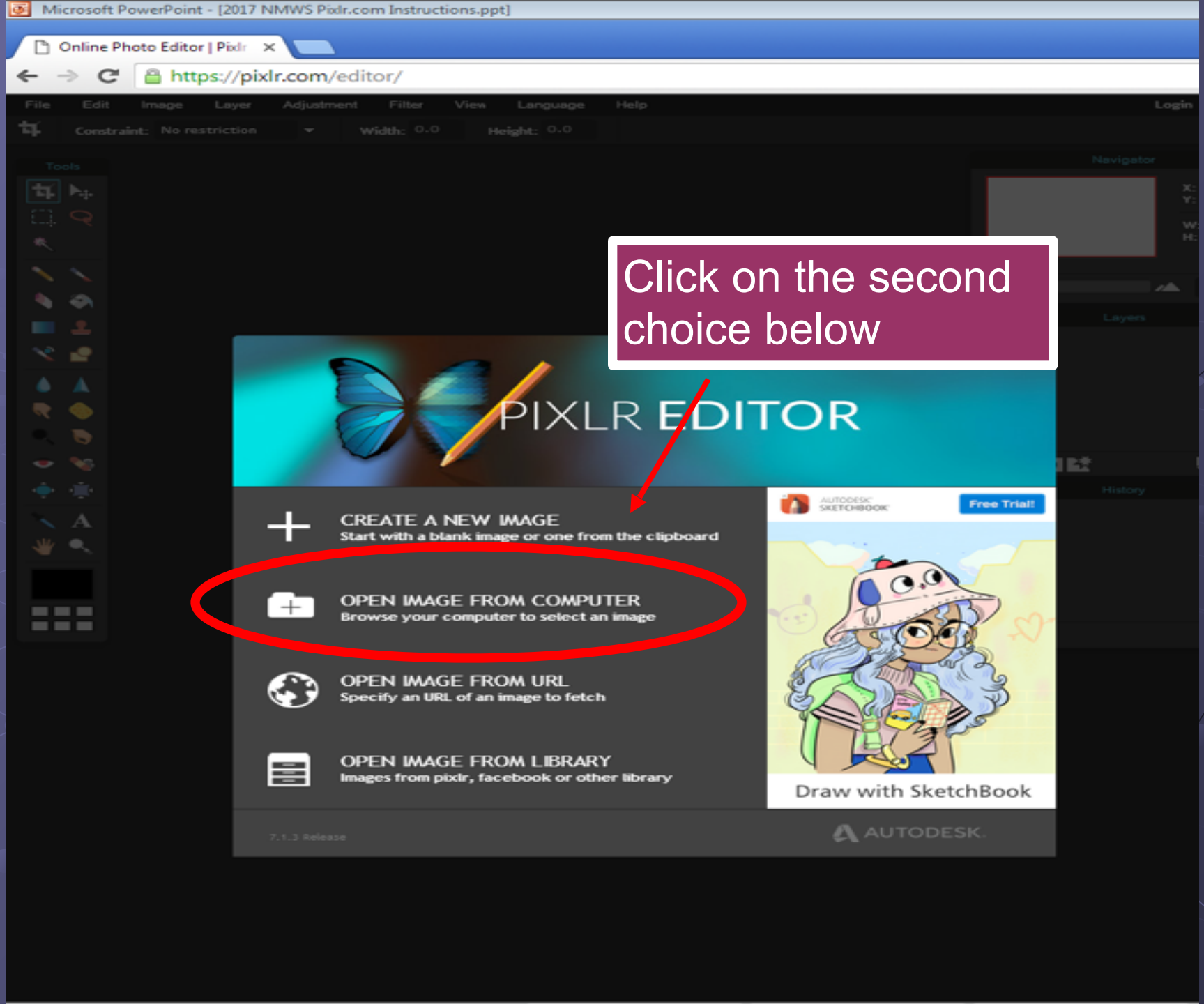


After you have photographed your watercolor painting and uploaded the .JPG image to your computer, (in to a "Picture" folder where you can find it again), start here.

This set of instructions is a *GUIDE*, not the real thing.

Type this **exact** address https://pixlr.com/editor/

into your computer's internet search program, such as Google.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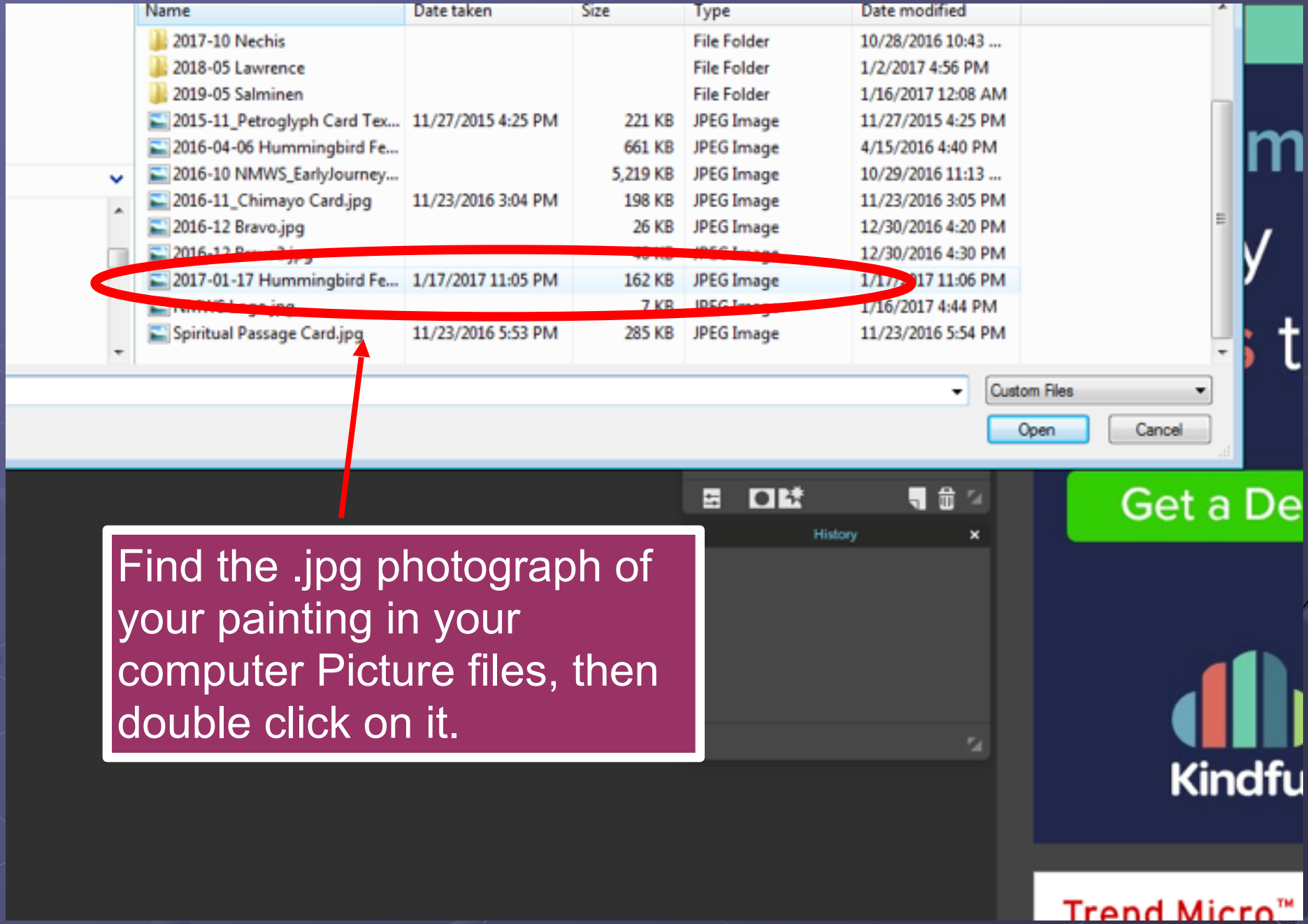
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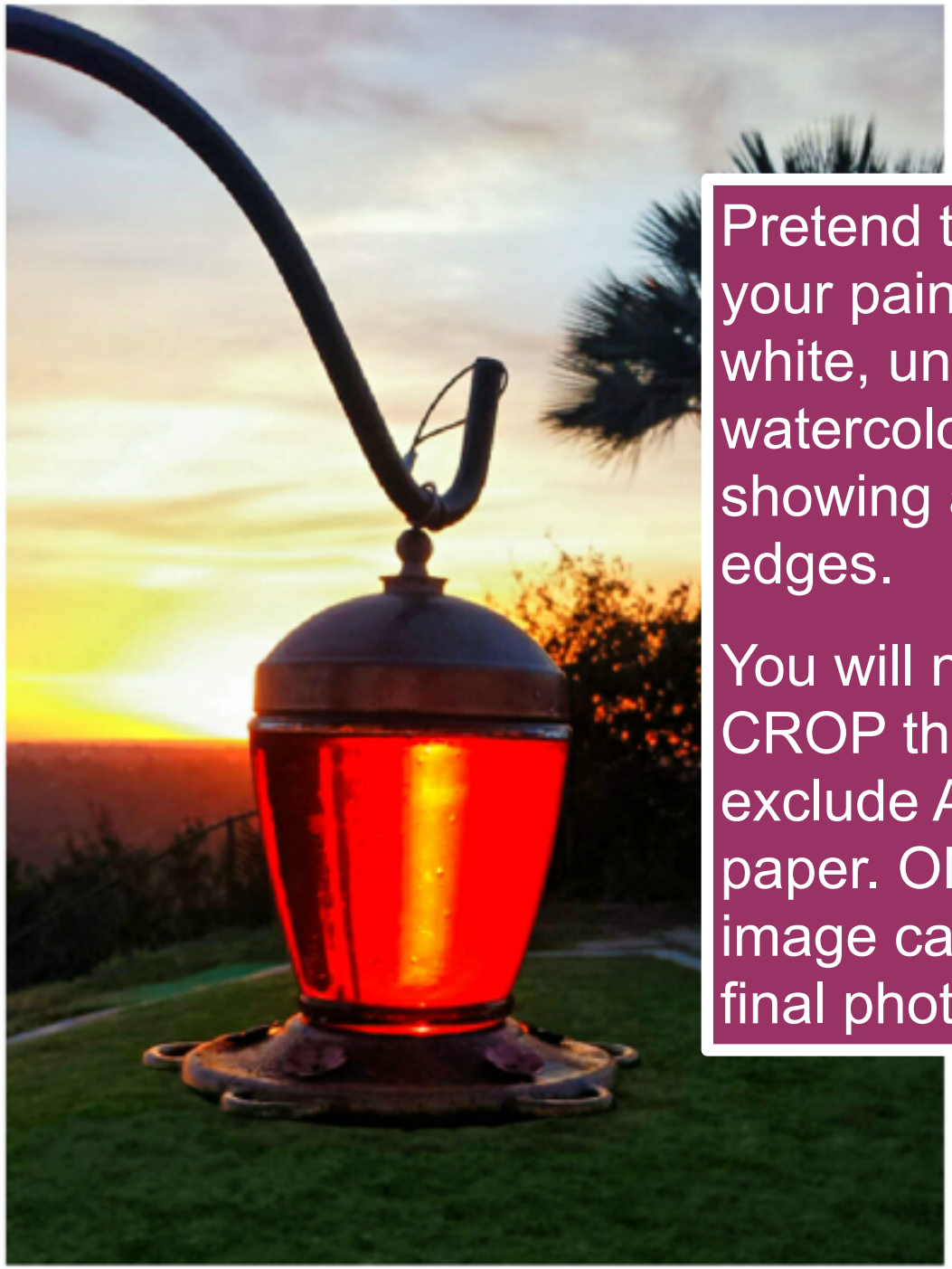
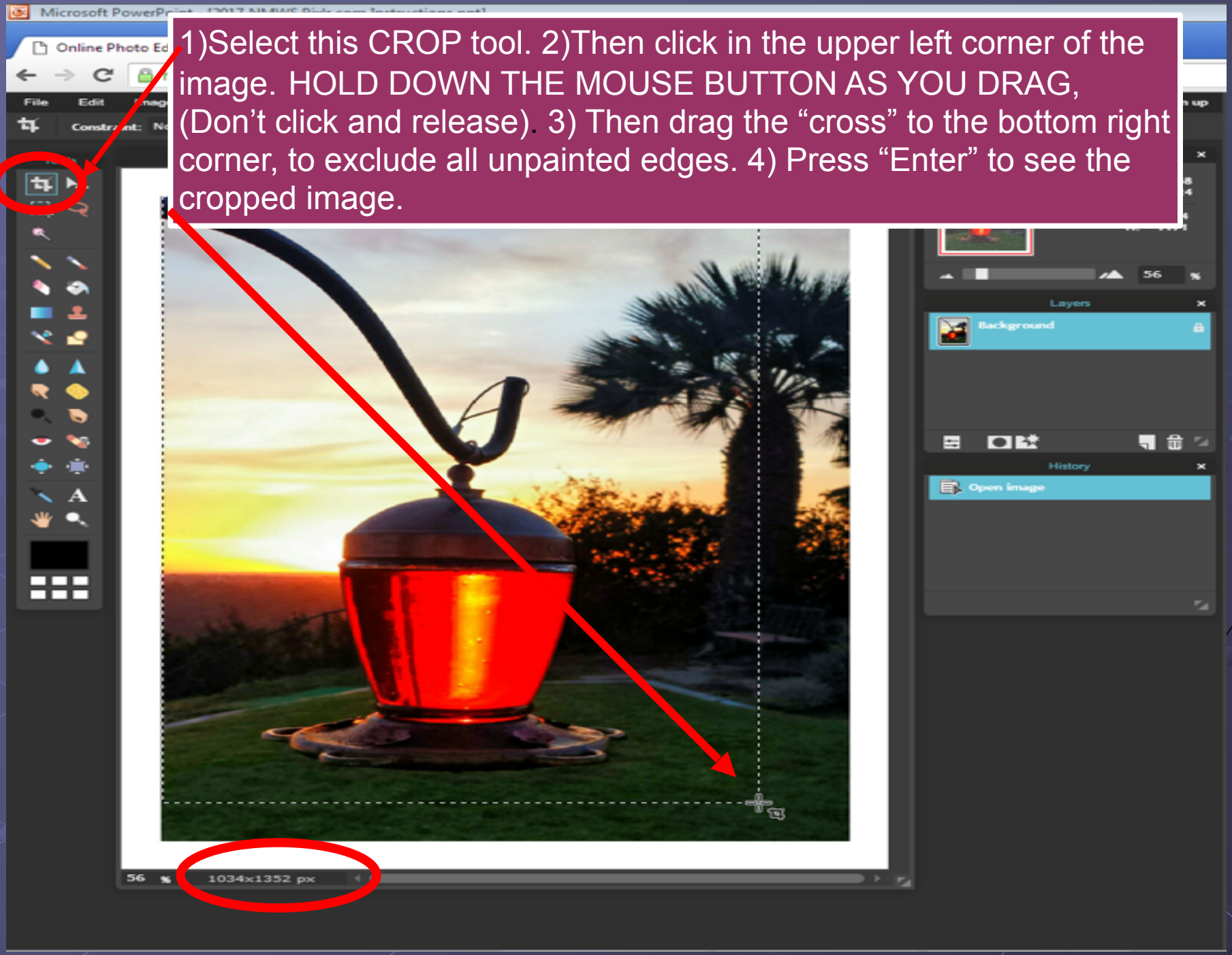
Find the .jpg photograph of your painting in your computer Picture files, then double click on it.



Pretend this image is your painting, with white, unpainted watercolor paper showing around the edges.

You will need to CROP the image to exclude ALL visible paper. ONLY the image can show in the final photo


1)Select this CROP tool. 2)Then click in the upper left corner of the image. HOLD DOWN THE MOUSE BUTTON AS YOU DRAG, (Don't click and release). 3) Then drag the "cross" to the bottom right corner, to exclude all unpainted edges. 4) Press "Enter" to see the cropped image.
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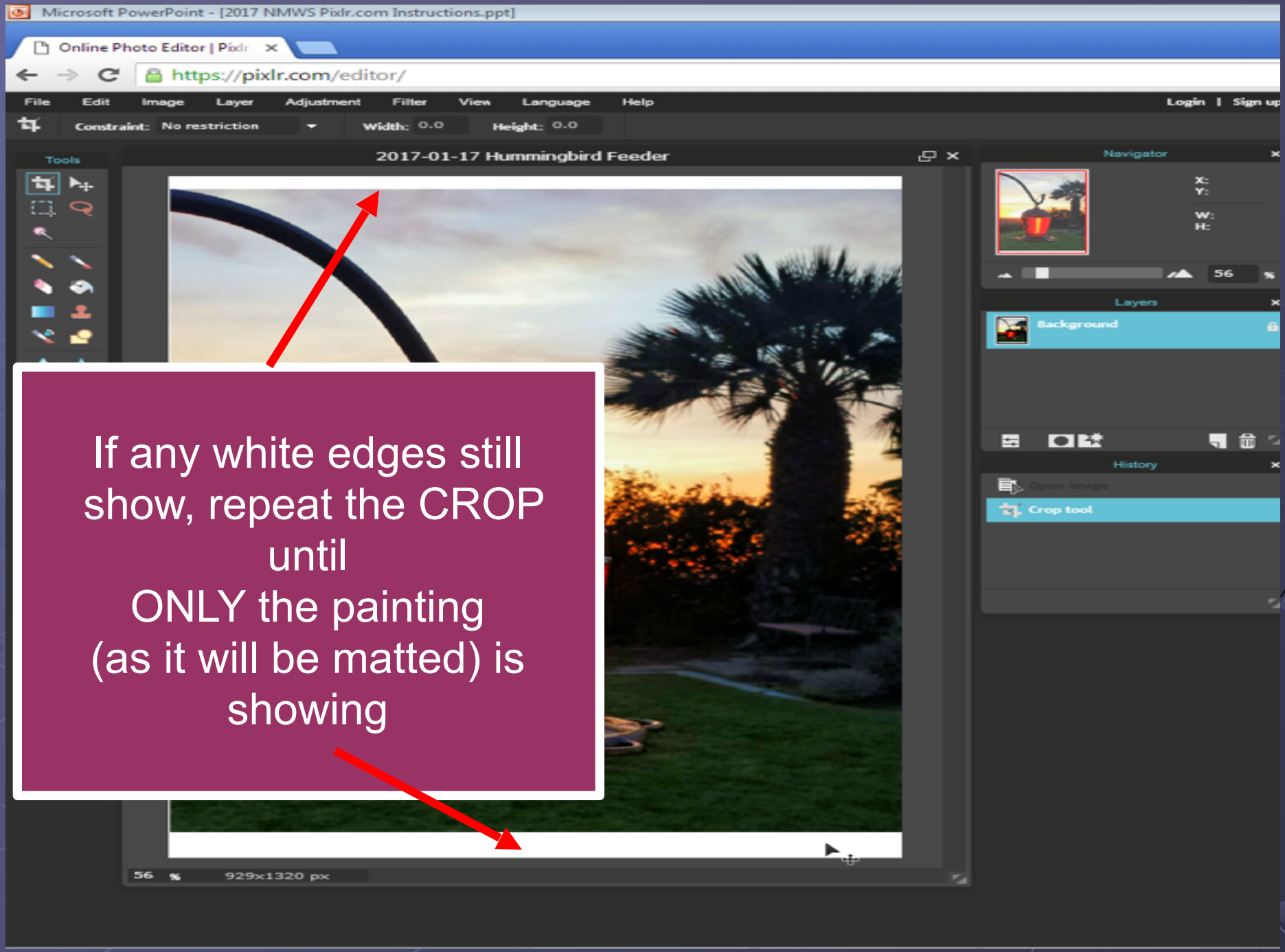
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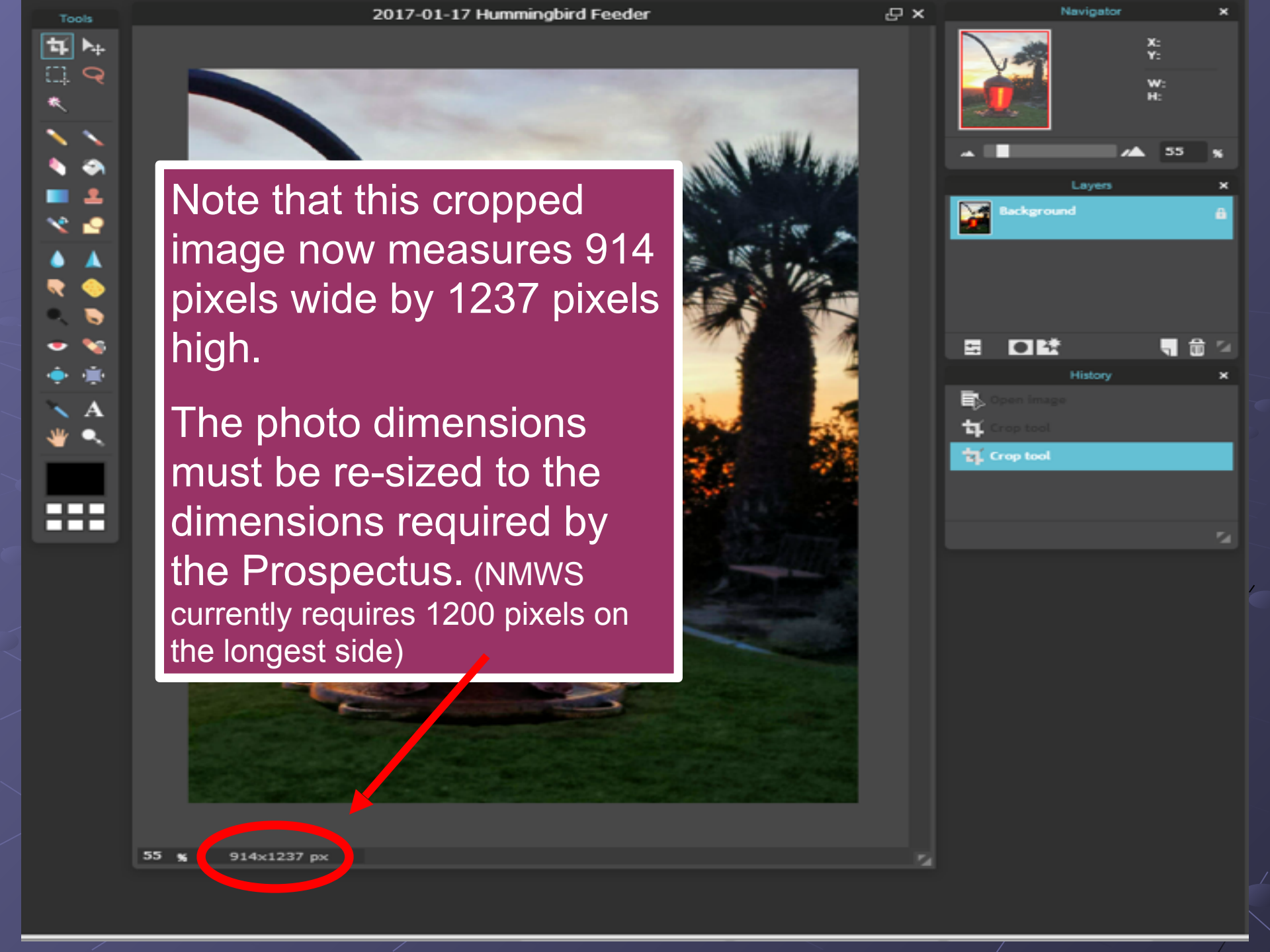
If any white edges still show, repeat the CROP until
ONLY the painting
(as it will be matted) is showing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Note that this cropped image now measures 914 pixels wide by 1237 pixels high.
The photo dimensions must be re-sized to the dimensions required by the Prospectus. (NMWS currently requires 1200 pixels on the longest side)
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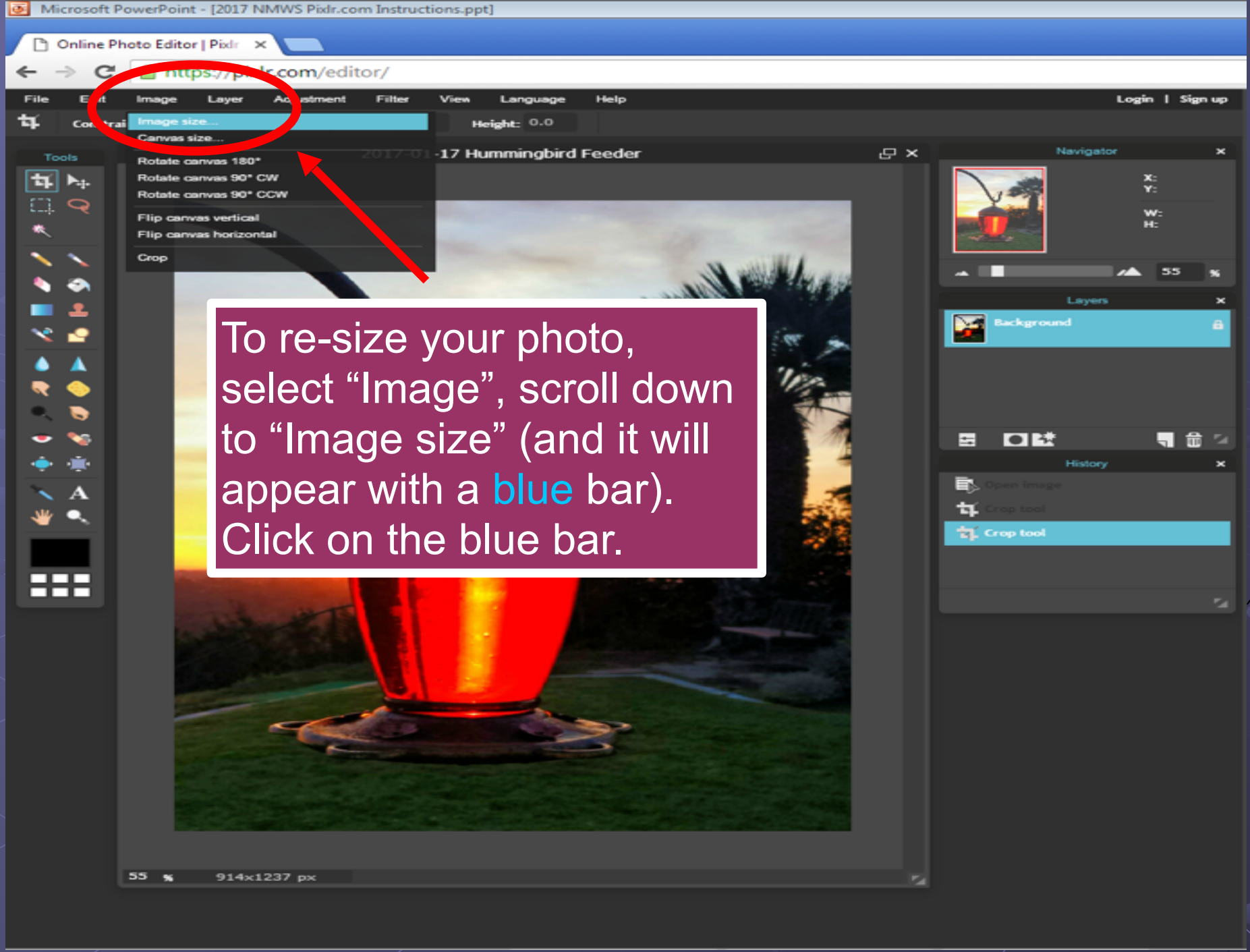
914x1237 px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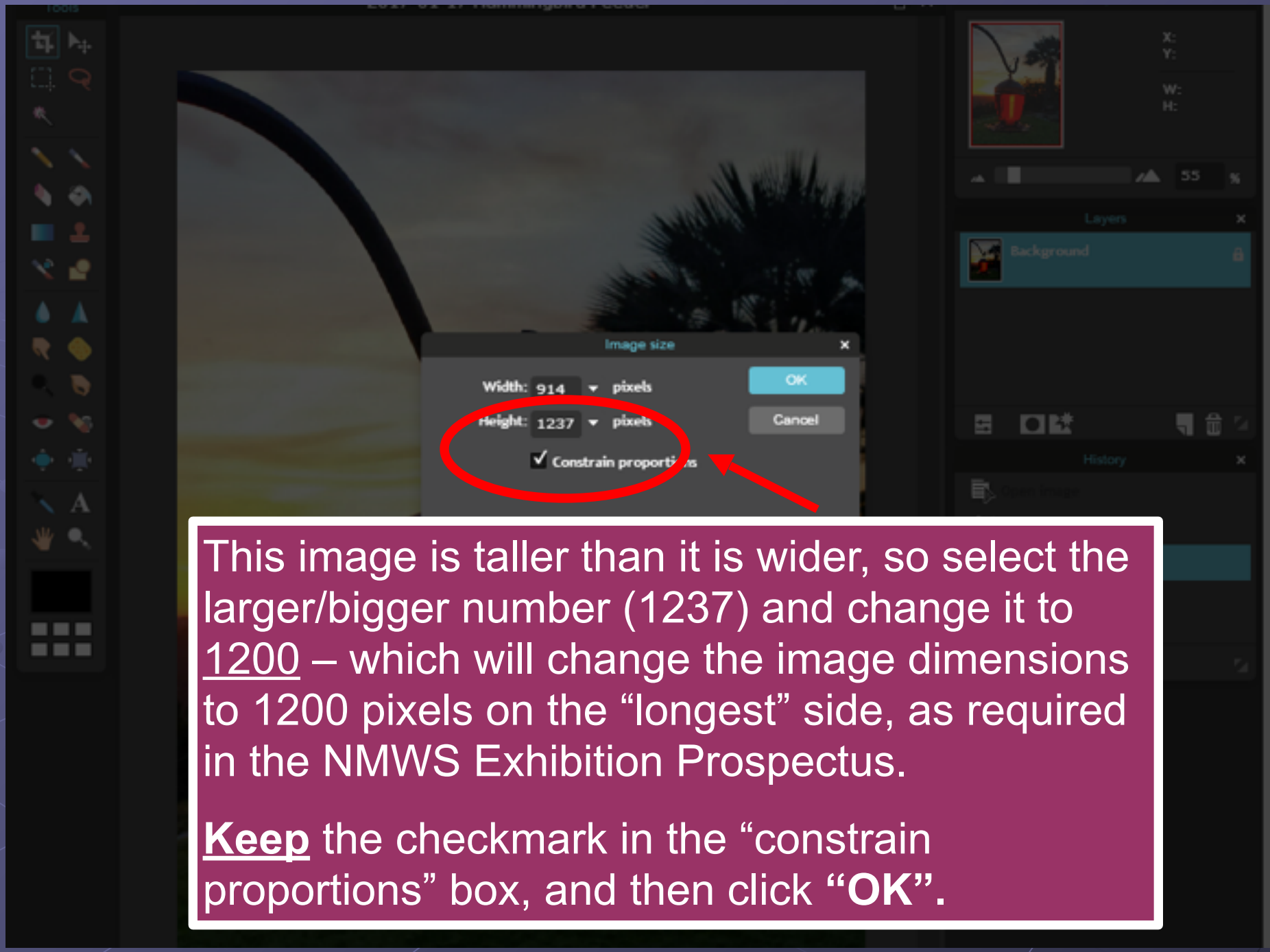
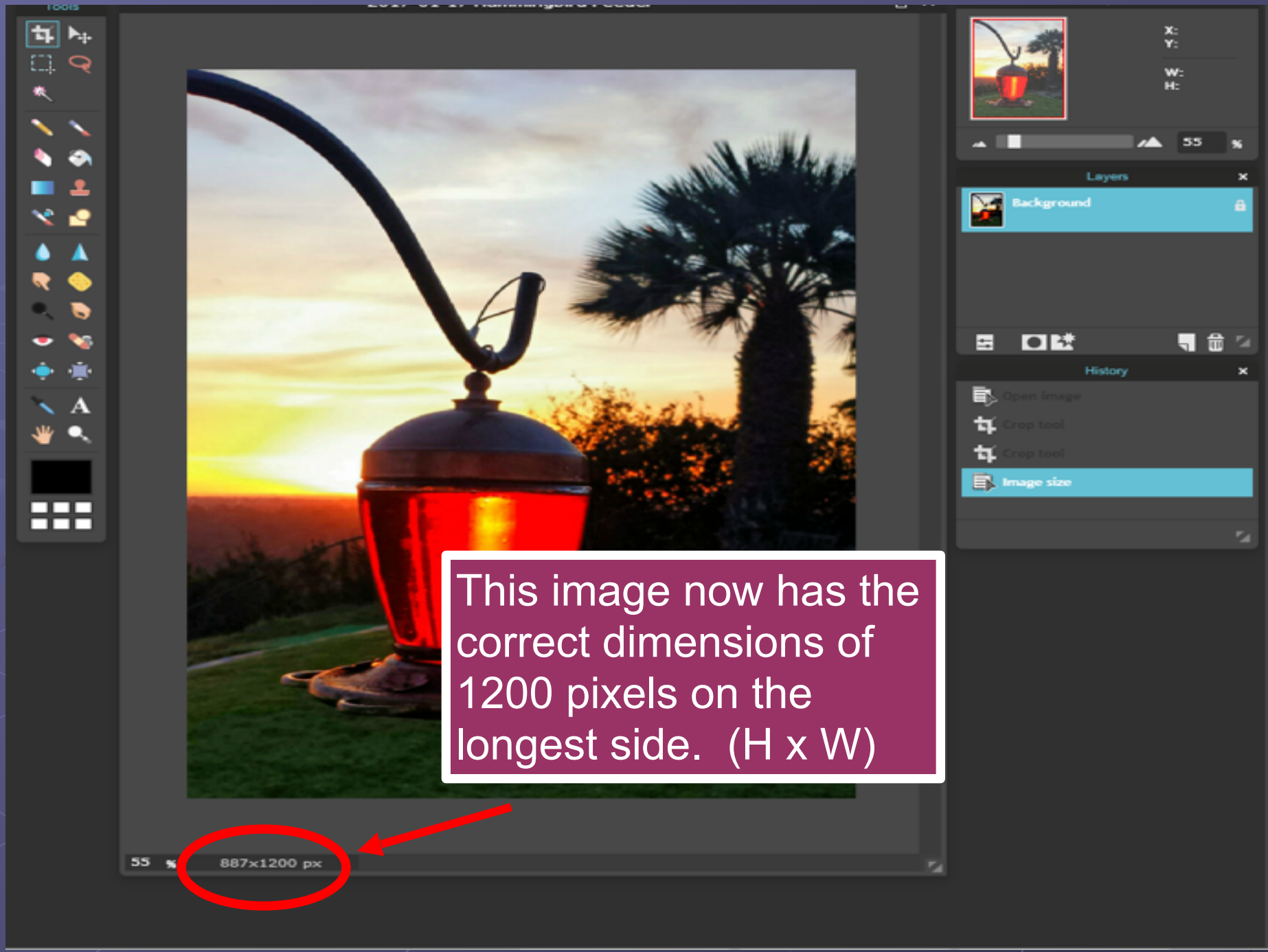
To re-size your photo, select “Image”, scroll down to “Image size” (and it will appear with a blue bar). Click on the blue bar.



This image is taller than it is wider, so select the larger/bigger number (1237) and change it to <u>1200</u> – which will change the image dimensions to 1200 pixels on the “longest” side, as required in the NMWS Exhibition Prospectus.

<u>Keep</u> the checkmark in the “constrain proportions” box, and then click **“OK”.**


This image now has the correct dimensions of 1200 pixels on the longest side. (H x W)
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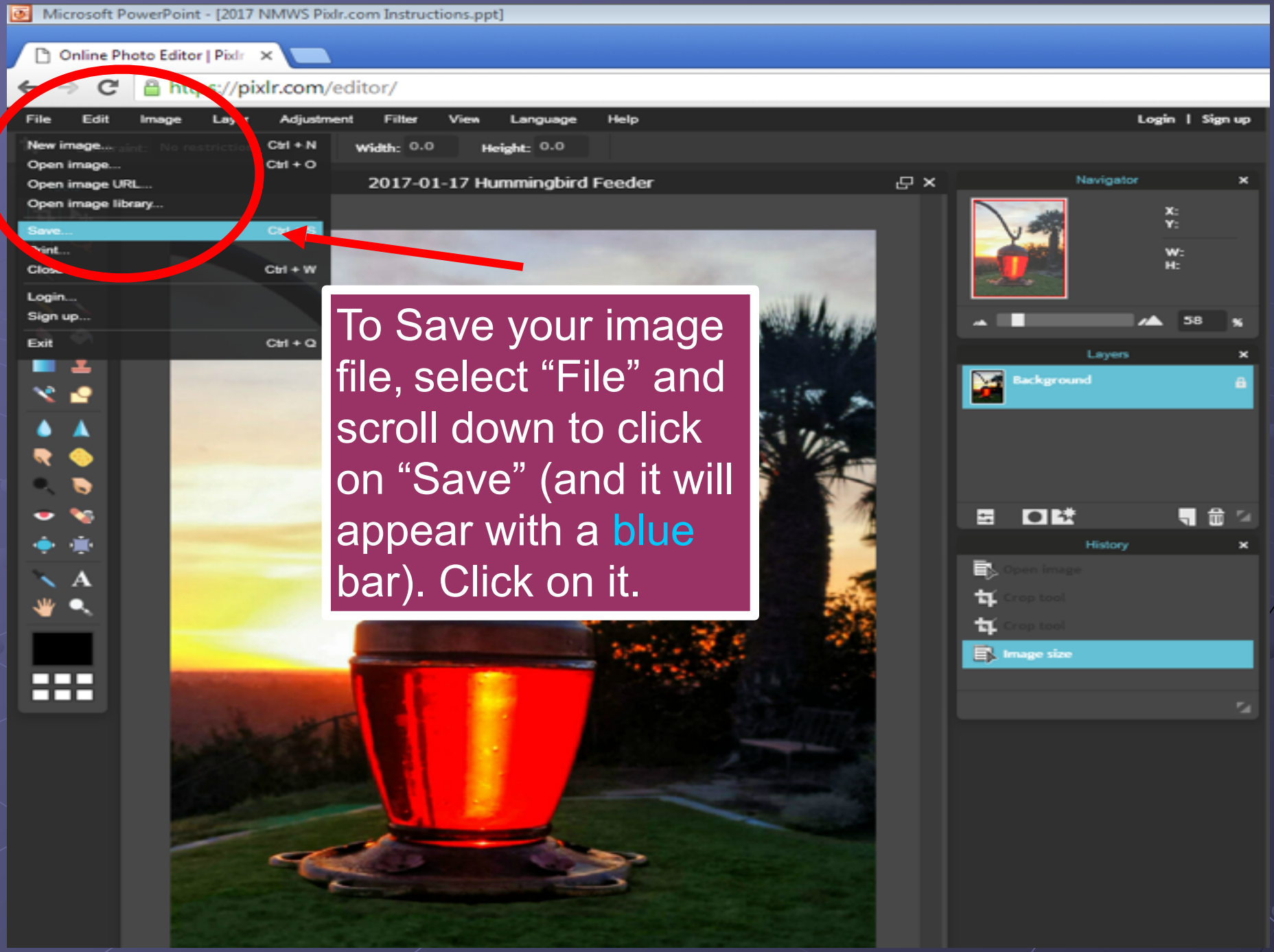
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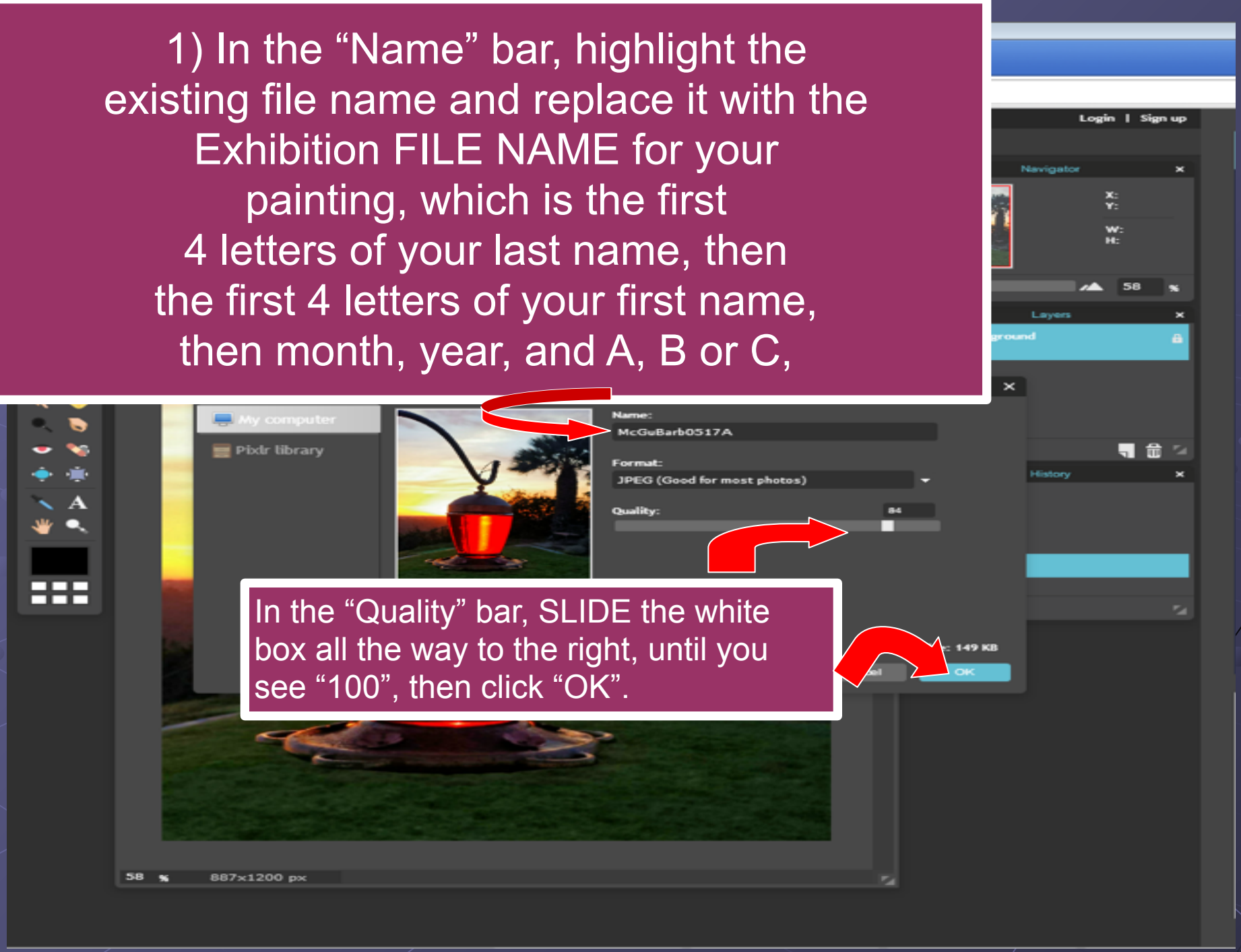
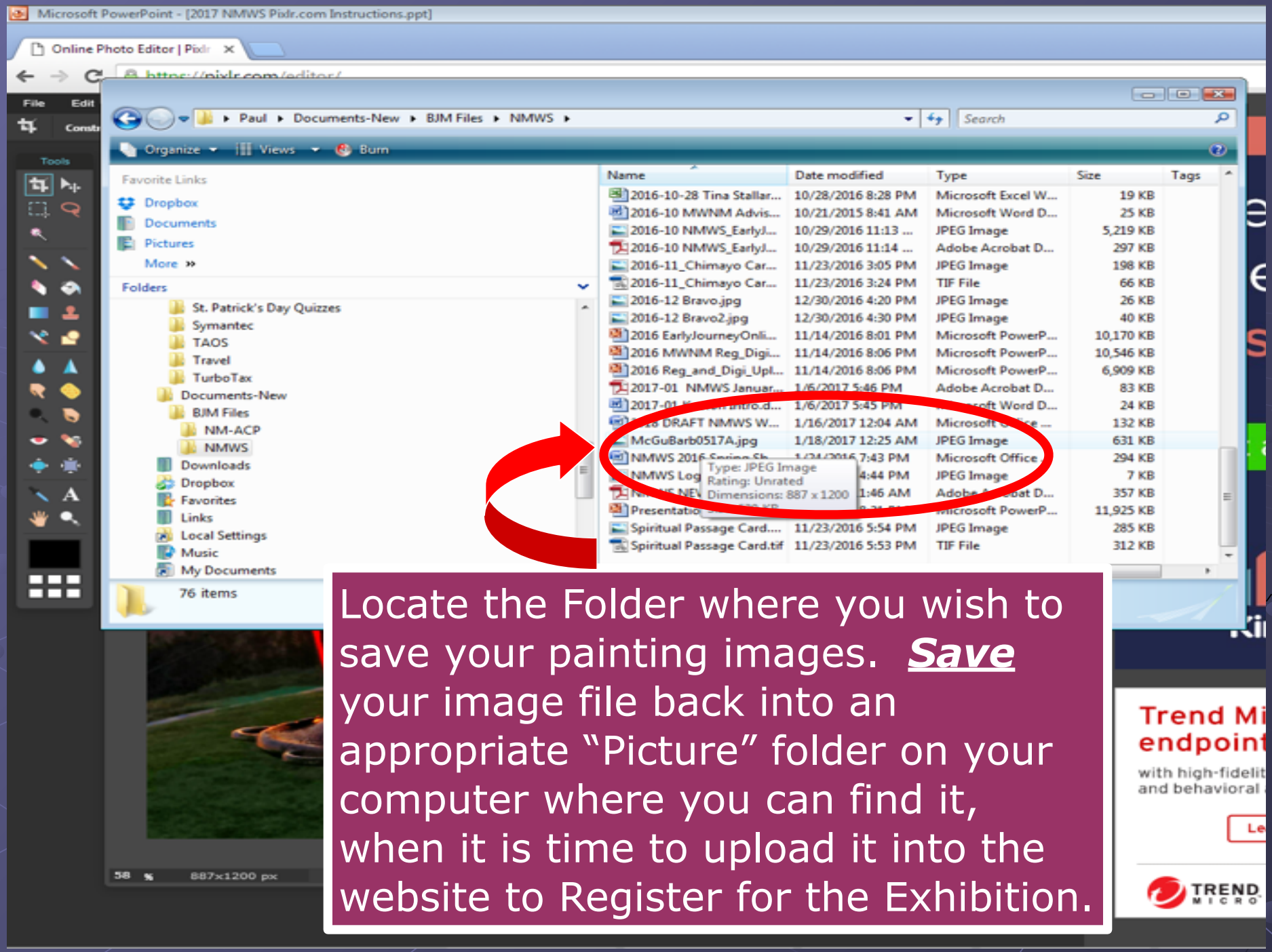
To Save your image file, select “File” and scroll down to click on “Save” (and it will appear with a blue bar). Click on it.

1) In the “Name” bar, highlight the existing file name and replace it with the Exhibition FILE NAME for your painting, which is the first 4 letters of your last name, then the first 4 letters of your first name, then month, year, and A, B or C,



In the “Quality” bar, SLIDE the white box all the way to the right, until you see “100”, then click “OK”.



Locate the Folder where you wish to save your painting images. ***Save*** your image file back into an appropriate "Picture" folder on your computer where you can find it, when it is time to upload it into the website to Register for the Exhibition.