Picasa 3

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Managing and Presenting With **Picasa** and **PicasaWeb**

This presentation can be reviewed at:

http://staff.beaumont.k12.tx.us/gloker/picasaintro.htm

What is it?

- It's a photo album organizer turned photo editor, with a Web Album component
  - Having tried nearly a dozen computer based and/or on-line galleries over the years, each with their pluses and minuses, Picasa is one of the easiest to keep up with your photos no matter WHERE they are on your computer and sync with an online album.
- It's easy to use and learn
  - Having used Photoshop since version 1.0 in 1990, I am still learning and figuring things out with it.
  - With Picasa, in a matter of minutes, not hours, you can fix and upload your photos.

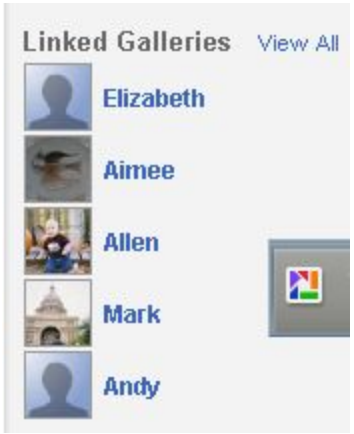
What's NOT...not a social place

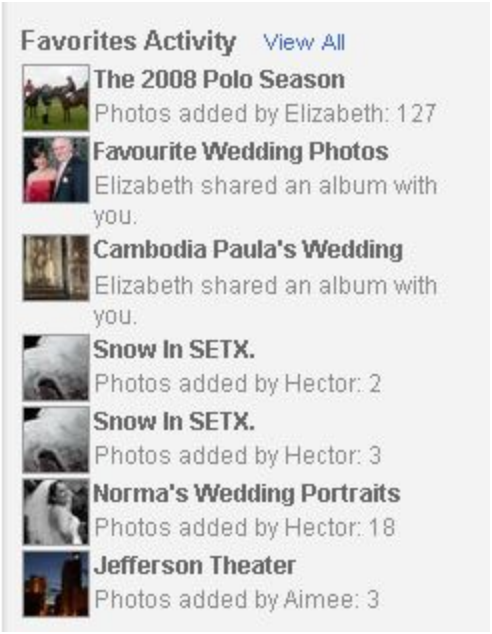
- This is exactly what you have been looking for when you do NOT want to have to worry about posting your favs and chit chatting about 20 year old photos, or who wrote on who's wall, or who is in your top 8 or 80 spaces.
  - BUT, it does have a handy **Facebook** uploader.
- Picasa is about keeping up with all of your personal photos, with quick and easy tweaking and ability to get pictures online quick.
- Seamless integration between your desktop and an online album

But it does have some Social Networking

(with Picasa Web)

- Link to favorites
  - Choose to show or not show each favorite on your page for guests to see when they visit your page)
- Keep track of favorites activities.
- Tag people with names (very intuitive) allowing you to view a gallery for just that named person.
- Track comments left for your photos.





Video Preview

- http://picasa.google.com/

Picasa™ — The easy way to find, edit, and share your photos

Help

Organize
Manage your photos in one place, and find photos you forgot you had

Edit
Eliminate scratches & blemishes, fix red-eye, crop and more

Create
Turn photos into movies, collages, slideshows and more

Share
Upload seamlessly to Picasa Web Albums to share with friends, family & the world

See what's new in Picasa 3

Play video

Read about all of Picasa 3's new features here »

Download Picasa 3

...and go to Picasa Web Albums to share and explore photos.

System Requirements:

- Windows XP/Vista or Linux
- 256MB RAM
- 100MB available hard disk space

Picasa also runs on Mac OS X and Linux.
Download our Mac uploader for Picasa Web Albums.

What's New | What's Changed

To get you started on the upgrade from Picasa 2.7 to Picasa 3, we've provided a detailed run-down of what's new and what's changed. This page explains the basics, but you'll need to get your hands dirty to really appreciate the changes. Click the links below to learn more about each feature.

Sync your Picasa 3 and Picasa Web Albums edits

Tired of having to manually re-upload your photos after making further edits? By enabling 'Sync to Web,' edits made to your photos in Picasa 3 are automatically transferred to your corresponding online albums.

Retouch your images

Always want to be airbrushed? Use the **Retouch** tool to remove unsightly blemishes and improve photo quality. It can also help you to restore old photos with marks, water stains, and scratches to excellent condition.

Preview image files with Picasa Photo Viewer

The photo viewer is a fast, lightweight application for viewing images on your desktop or through Windows Explorer. Installed with Picasa 3, it lets you to take a quick look at images without having to fully open the Picasa 3 program.

Create and edit movies

Combine your photos, videos, and music into a movie or use the editing room to trim your existing movies.

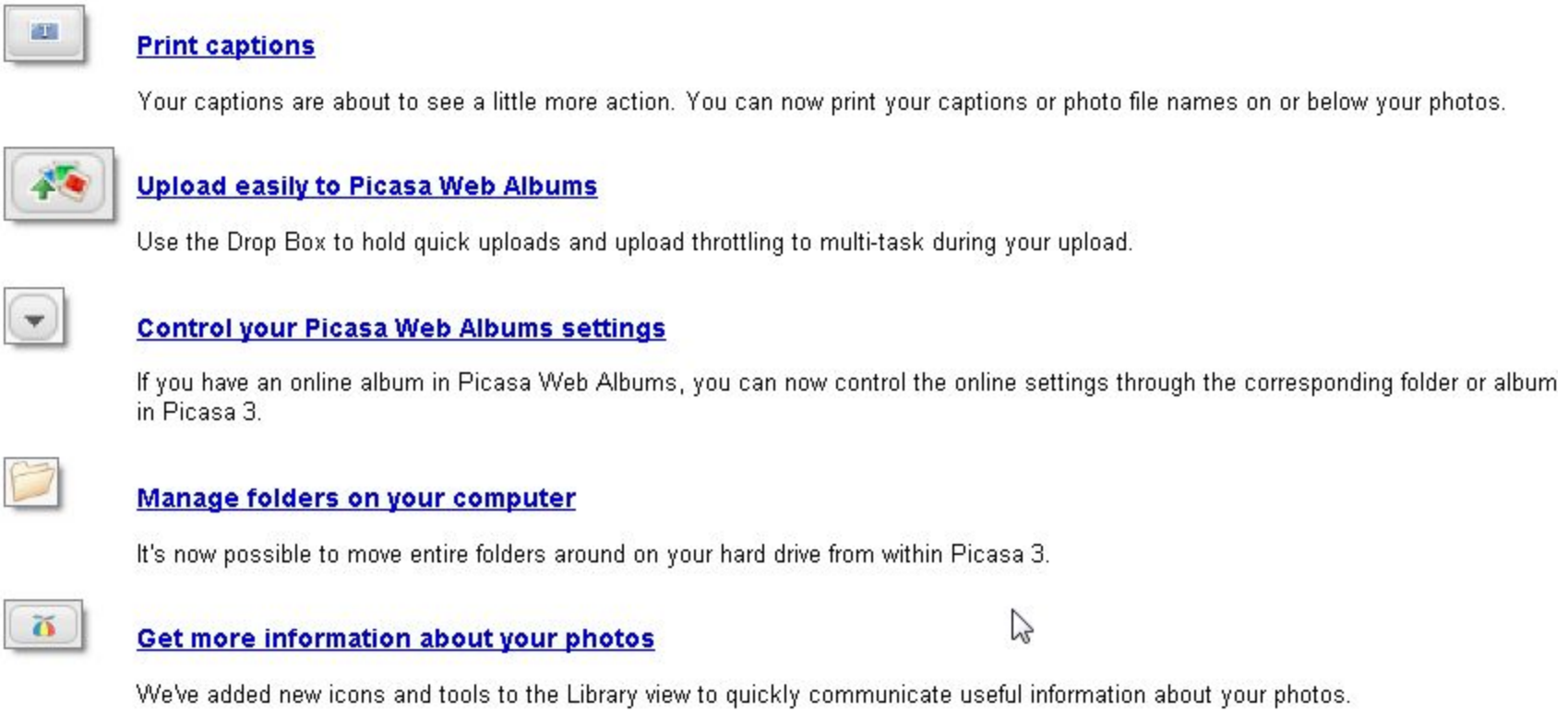
Capture your screen

Instantly take and import your screen captures and webcam captures into Picasa 3.

Add text or watermarks to your photos

You can easily personalize your photos using the Watermark and Text tools.

- If you have Picasa open when you hit Print Scrn, it will automatically save the capture as a file. VERY useful for things like this presentation or emailing what you see on your screen.



- **Picasa also:** emails, burns CD, creates nifty Photo Collages, Prints Contact Sheets, Make Back UP CDs or DVDs, Export as Web Page, Order Pictures, Publish to Blogger

What's New | **What's Changed**

Picasa 3 now has the ability to support more photos on your computer -- now up to a million photos! And we've made plenty of other improvements that we think you'll enjoy. Click the links below to learn more about each feature.

Collage

Experiment with six different collage types and a slew of new settings in the more hands-on collage creation screen.

Sharing

Why take two steps when you can do it in one? Upload an album to Picasa Web Albums and email invitations to friends and family with just one click.

Auto red-eye

Our improved technology automatically detects faces and corrects the red eye in your photos.

Cropping

The Crop tool offers three crop suggestions based on the composition of your photograph. Don't miss the 10 different dimensions to choose from when cropping.

Screensaver

Spice up your screensaver by pulling in pictures from additional photo sources, such as your Web Albums and photo feeds.

Multiple word tags

You can now add multi-word tags to your photos. Finally, you can tag your rocking chair as 'rocking chair,' rather than 'rocking' and 'chair.'

Importing

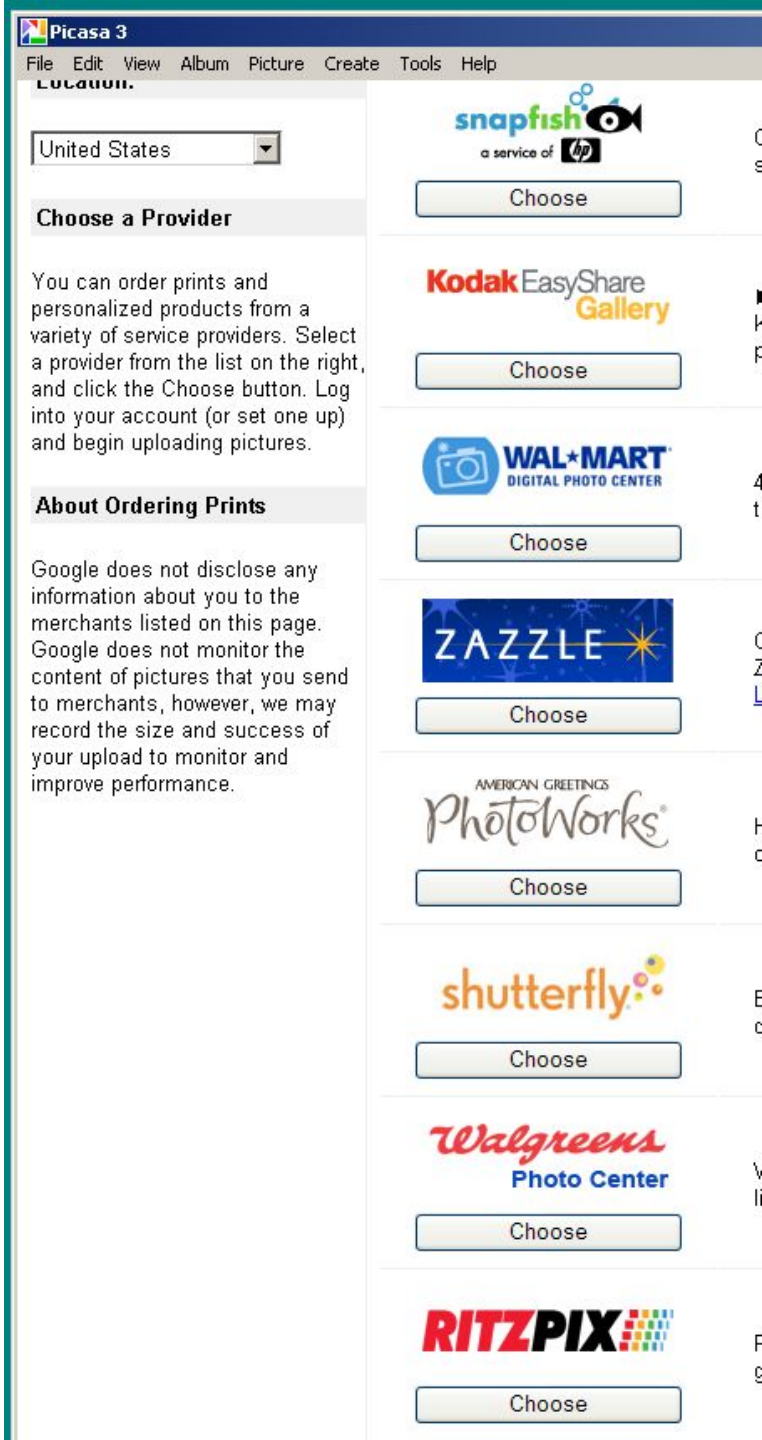
To help you import images from a particular day or event, Picasa now segments your images according to the time frame when they were taken.

Slideshow

Make your slideshow come alive with new capabilities.

Picasa Also

- Emails
- Burns CD
- Creates nifty Photo Collages
- Prints Contact Sheets
- Make Back UP CDs or DVDs
- Export as Web Page
- Order Pictures
- Publish to Blogger
- Compare duplicates
- Take over screensaver



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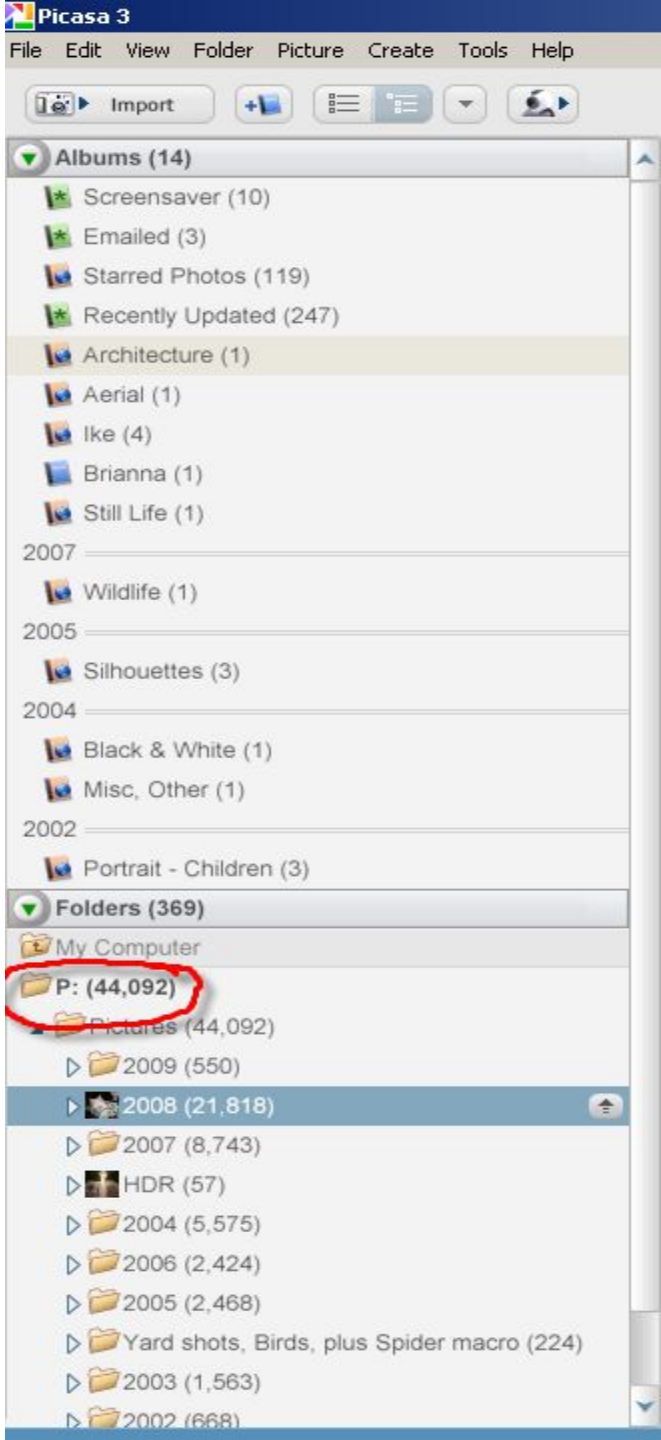
VISITORS
CHECK IN AT
FRONT OFFICE
Delusional
Juxtaposition
RE/MAX THE BUNDY TEAM
BEAUMONT 860-3200
lap the rhythm.
Humor
Solitude, Voice
Hope
Captive
IPELA

Organization

- One of the challenges with a digital camera is the large number of images you will accumulate.
  - Notice 44k…not including weddings, school or church photos.
- In the old days, with prints if you wanted a picture to be in two places, like on a refrigerator and an album, you just made two prints. Of course you can still do that today.
- But how can a digital file be in two places at the same time. Well, it can't unless you us a program like Picasa which categorizes every picture on your computer, and then allows you to create **Virtual Albums**.
  - Virtual Albums help you keep up with your favorites and allow for easy sync with your web album



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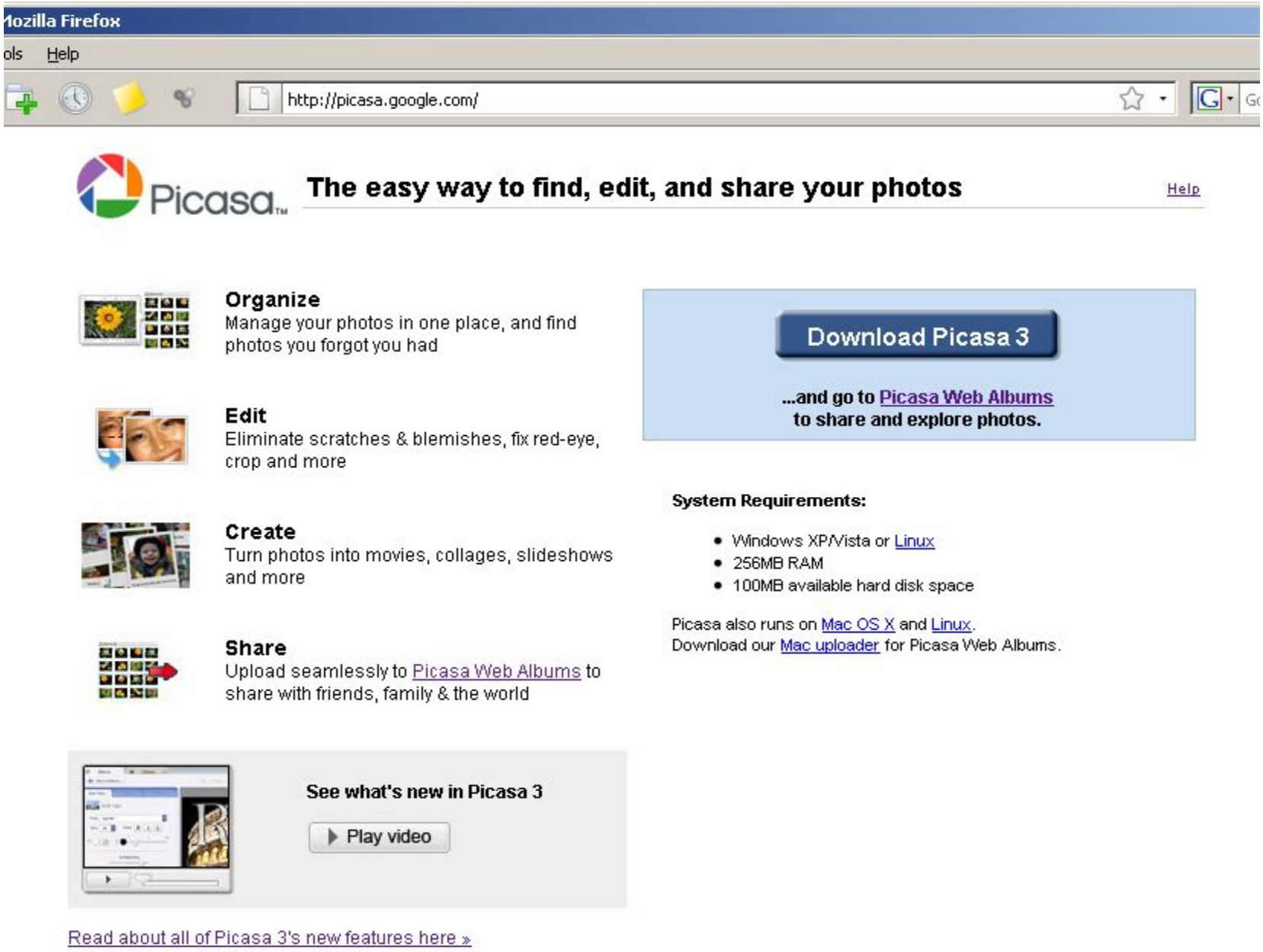
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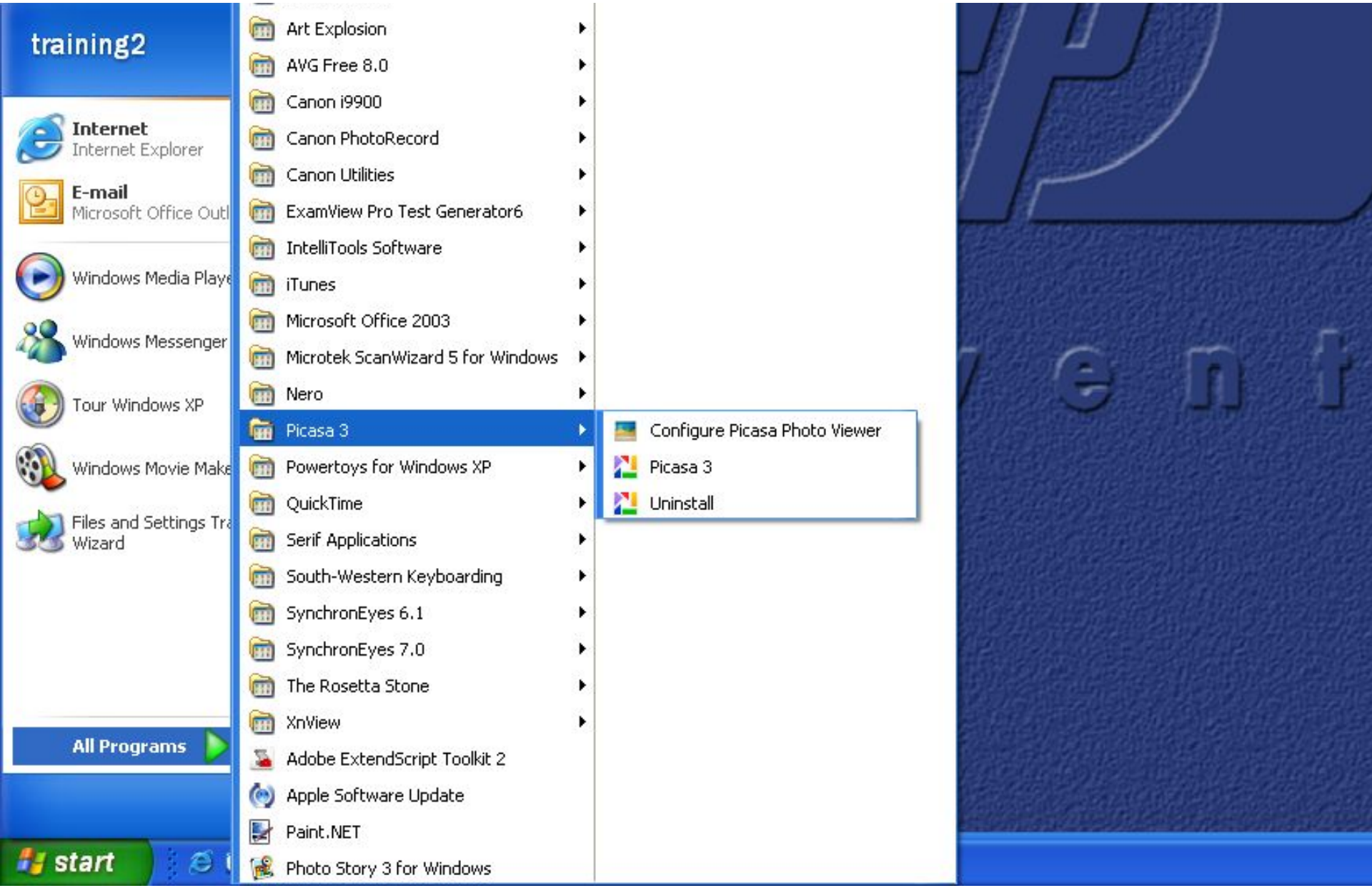
Getting Started



First Launch

- ONLY scan My Documents, My Pictures and the Desktop.
- The top option will scan the entire computer, which you may need to do if you have lost some images…but this will also add items from inside the Windows folder on the C drive and you will spend a lot of time removing stuff.

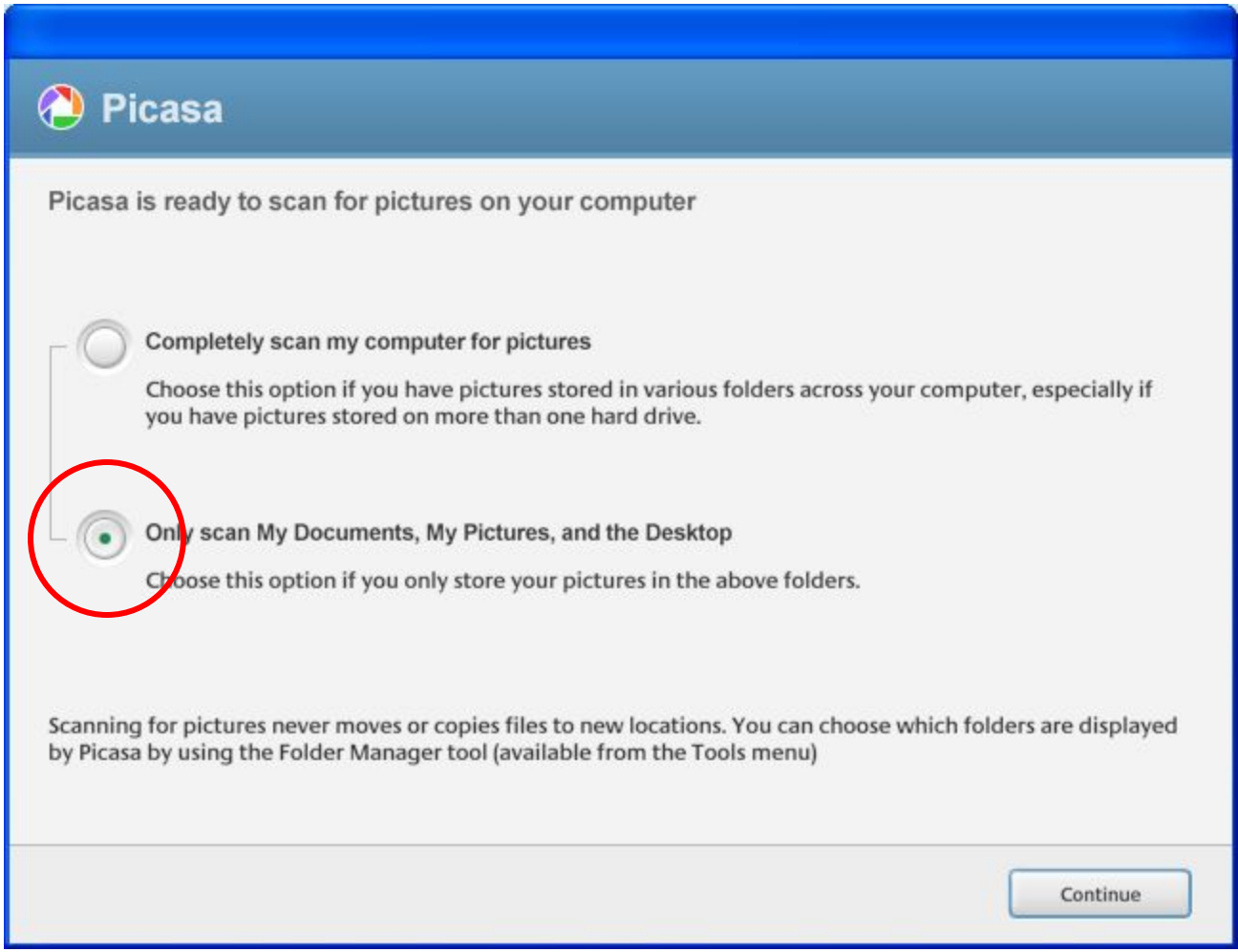
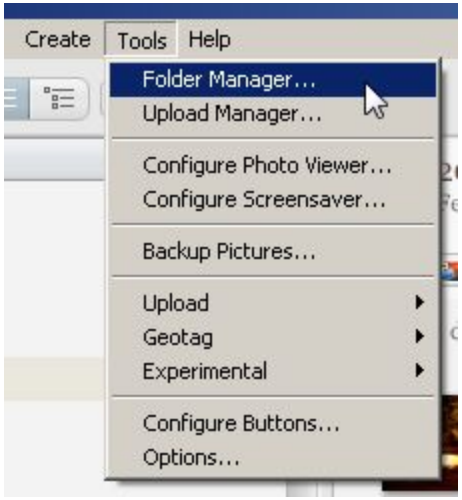


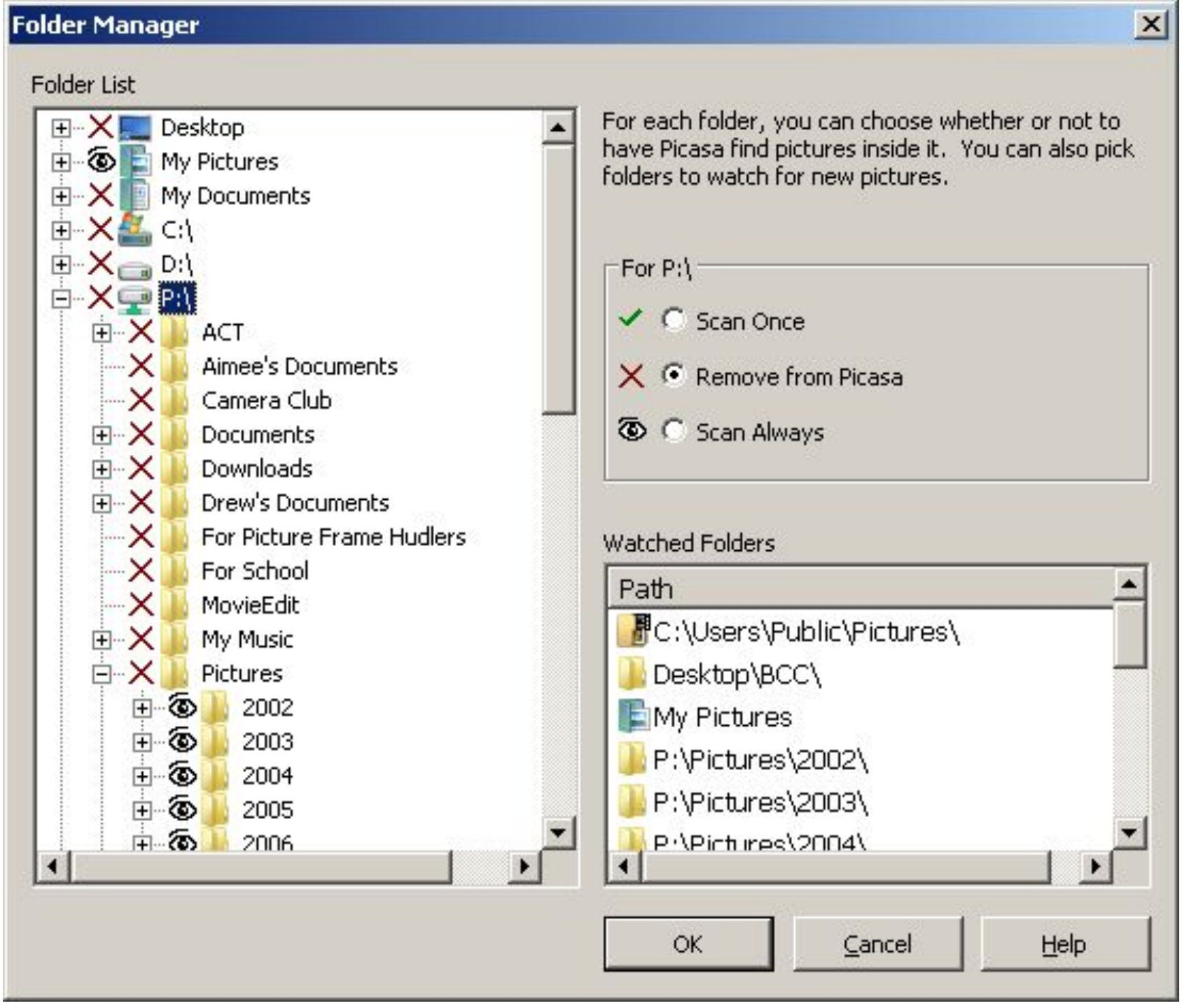
Photo Viewer Configuration

- You MAY not like what Picasa does, but I think it is a wonderful way to browse your images even before you launch Picasa
- Go ahead and Select All…you can always change it later.

Managing Your Folders

- Go to Tools, then Folder Manager
- Scan always any folders with pictures
  - Avoid Network Drives
  - Try to add a root of pictures rather than an individual folder




Folder Manager
Folder List
Desktop
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C:\
D:\
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Camera Club
Documents
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Drew's Documents
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For School
MovieEdit
My Music
Pictures
2002
2003
2004
2005
2006
For each folder, you can choose whether or not to have Picasa find pictures inside it. You can also pick folders to watch for new pictures.
For P:\
Scan Once
Remove from Picasa
Scan Always
Watched Folders
Path
C:\Users\Public\Pictures\
Desktop\BCC\
My Pictures
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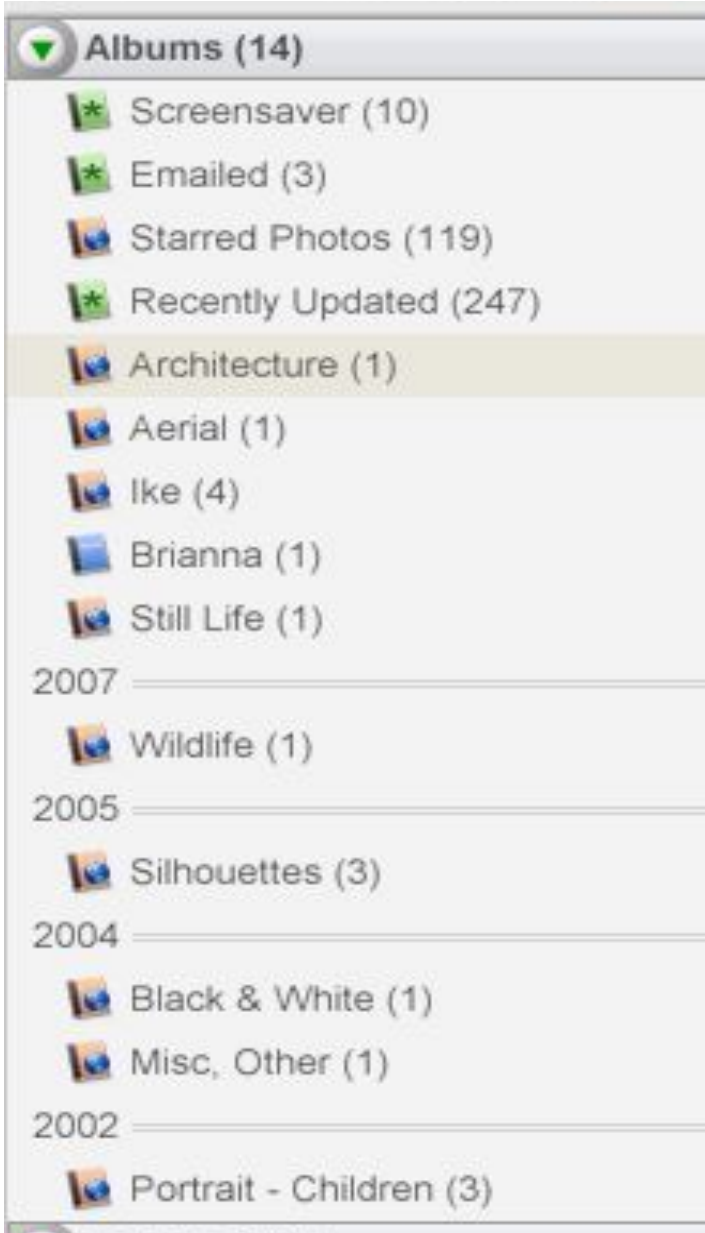
P:\Pictures\2003\
OK
Cancel
Help

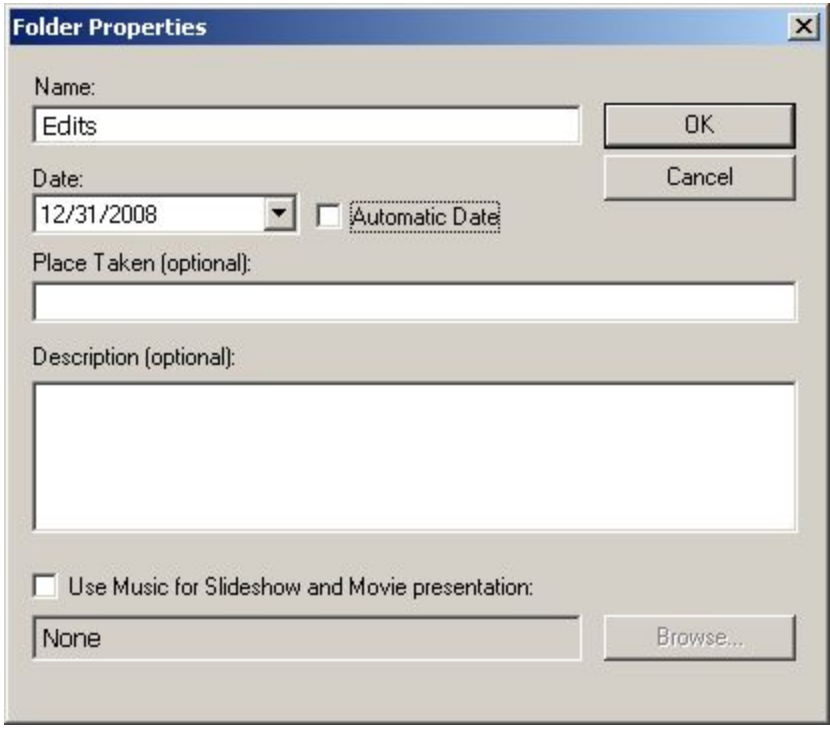
Creating Virtual Albums

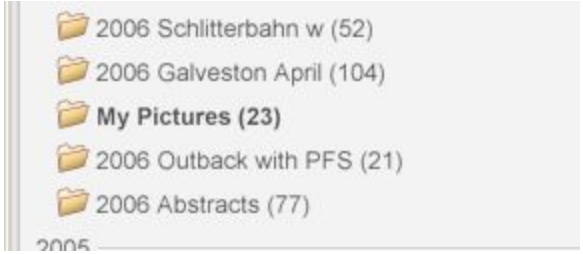
- Click on a photo that may need to appear in more than one album or samples from one particular shoot.
  - Add to album – the first time you will need to create the album.
  - Afterwards, you can click and select or drag and drop.



Managing Your Folders

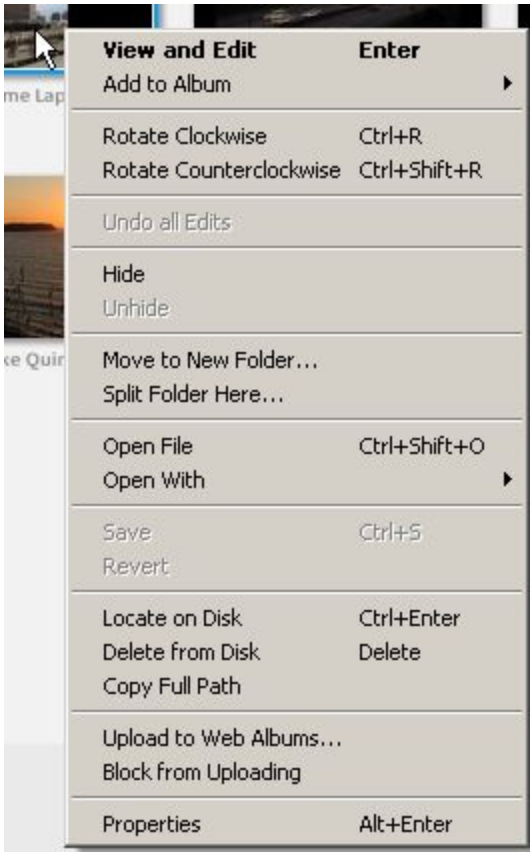
- Edit folder descriptions to force pictures to stay current, like a folder of edits. (2x click)
  - Folders with new images will be bold.
  - Sometimes with really larger number of folders, a new scan may put a folder way back in time because of a date stamp on one of the images or the folder.





Managing Your Folders

- Finding your images and folders is only a Click away.
  - **Enter** – takes you into the Picasa View and Edit mode
  - **Ctrl + Enter** – Locates on the disk
  - **Locate in Picasa** is also an option if in an ablum

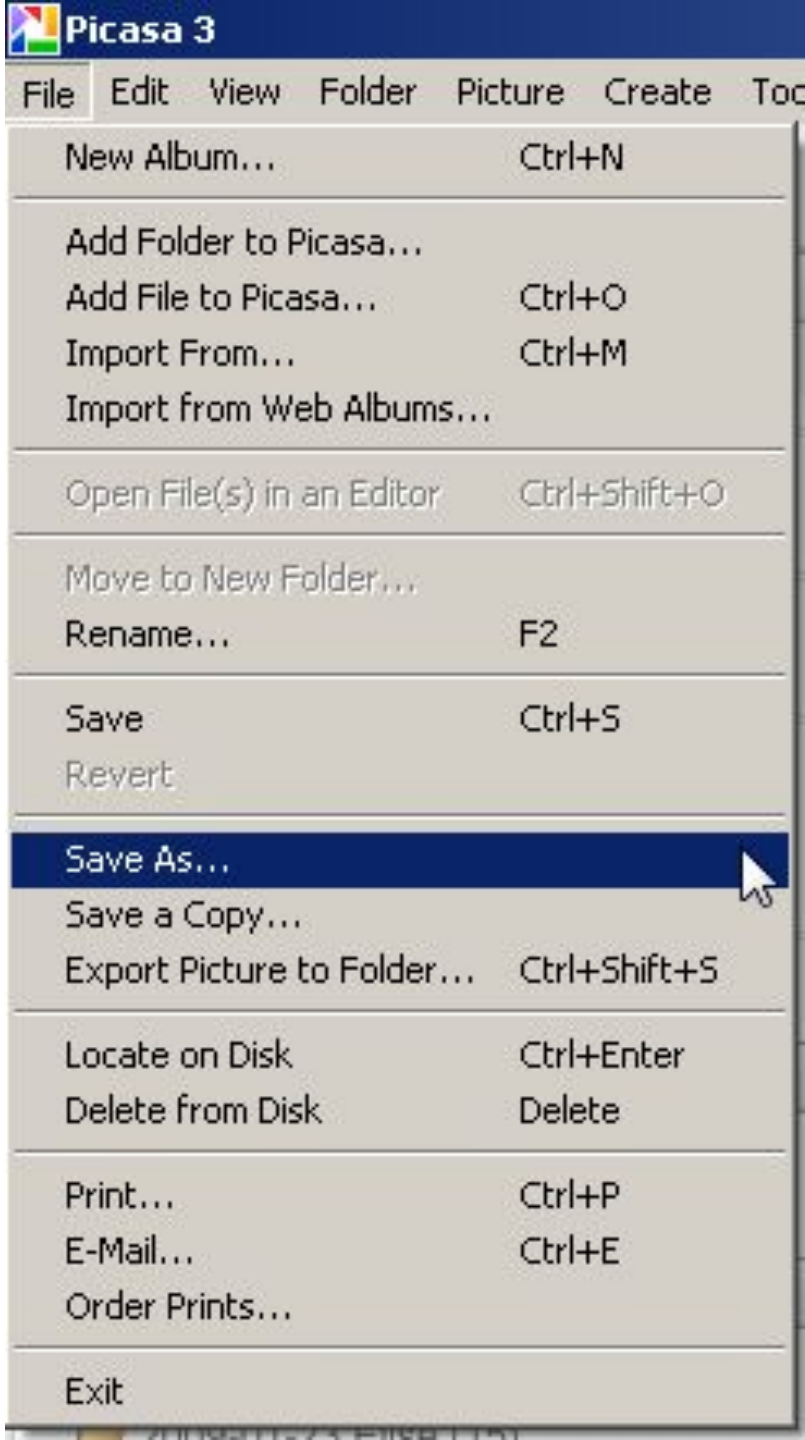


Editing

- Although some people would not want to invalidate a photo by altering it with a pixel editor like Photoshop, it is prudent to adjust certain aspects of a photo much like you would do with Film in a darkroom or photo lab.
- Picasa allows considerable control with very little risk to the original file.
  - In fact, changes can be made to an image in Picasa and retained with out EVER saving the changes to the file.
  - If changes are saved, they can be UNDONE
- As a general rule get it right in the camera. But, Picasa makes it easy to make minor adjustments with out leaving your browser.

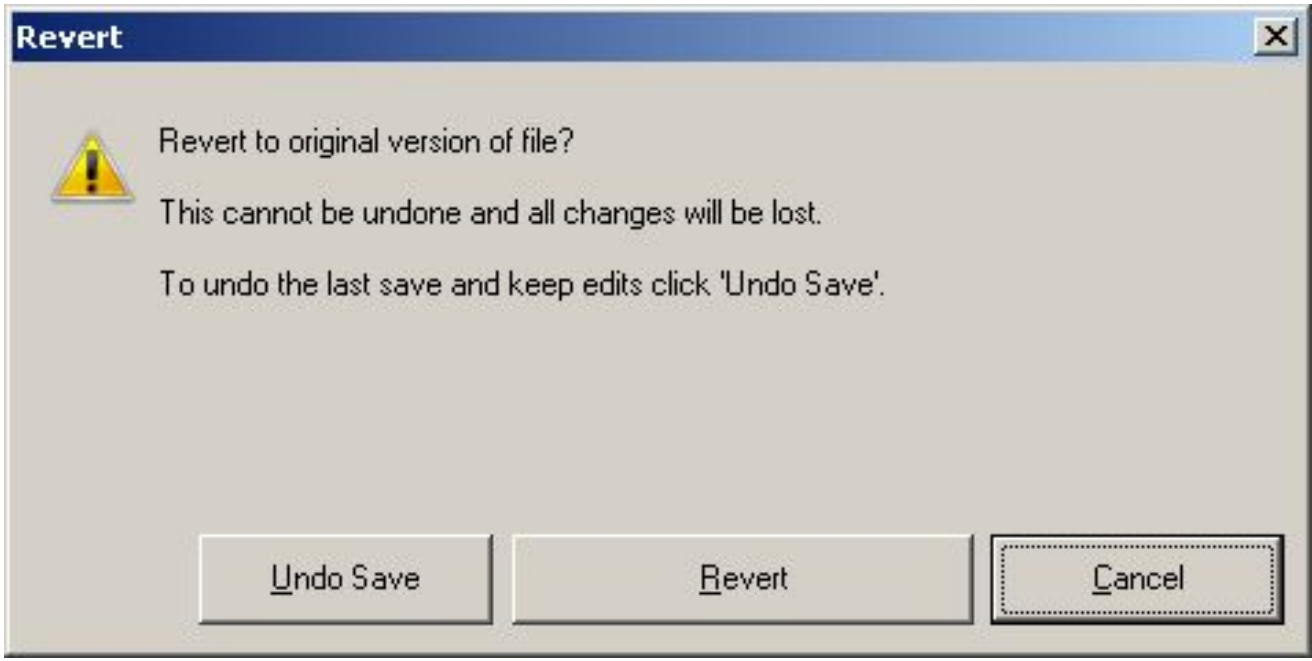
Editing

- Duplicate a file if you really want
  - Save As
  - Save a Copy
- Lots of ways to get your original back
  - Undo All Edits
  - Revert
    - If you have saved, you can either Undo the Save, or Revert.



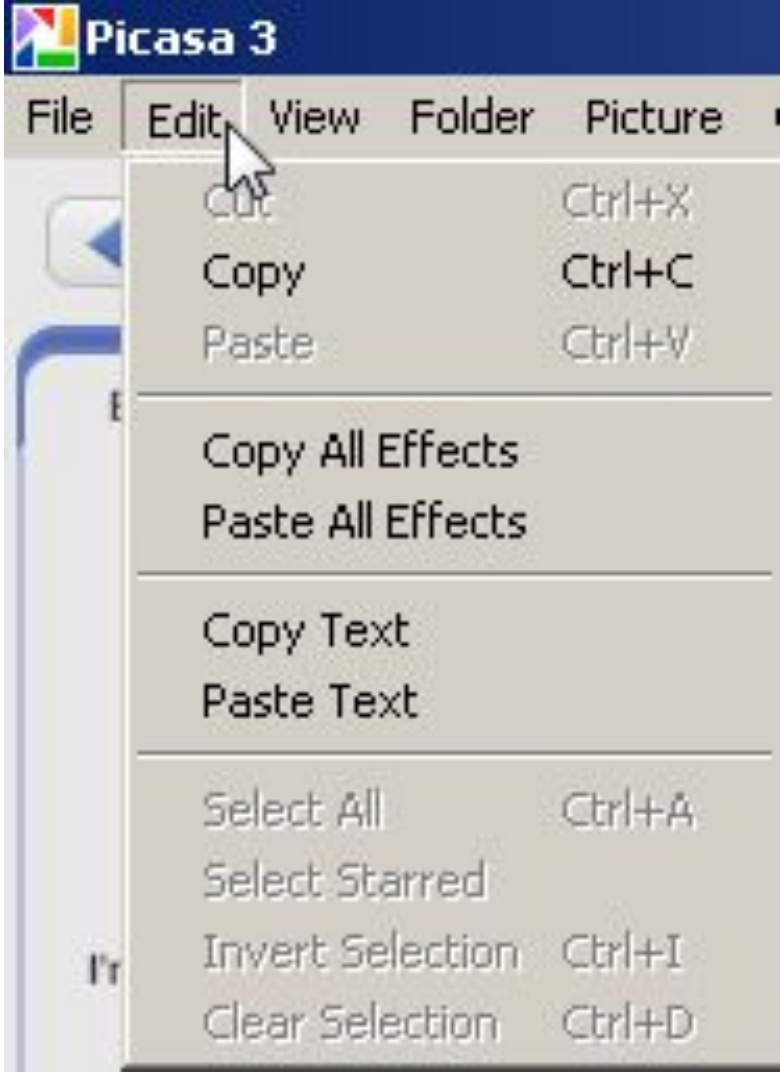
Editing

- Undo All Edits
- Lots of warnings



Editing

- Copy all Effects
  - Tweak one picture, like a color cast, or B&W with a boost to the contrast, then apply changes to several similar files.
- Example:
  - IR Shoot…change all images to black and white boosting contrast to a dozen images too only a couple of minutes.



60 Seconds

Add a description

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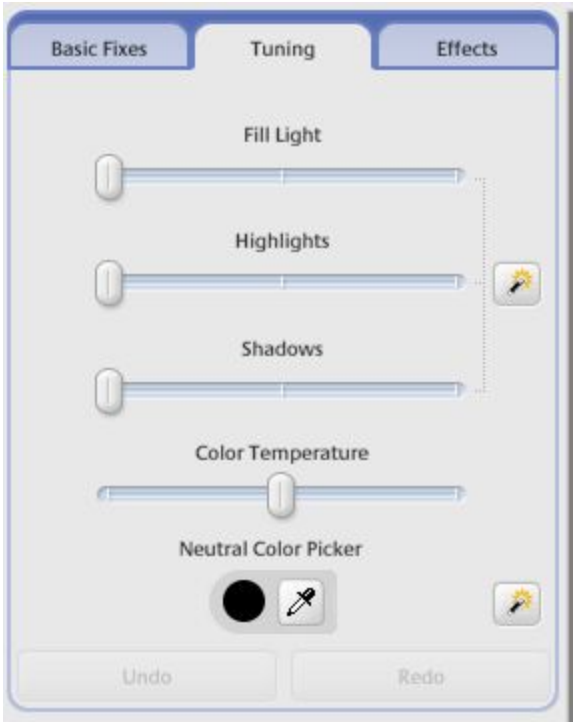
Editing

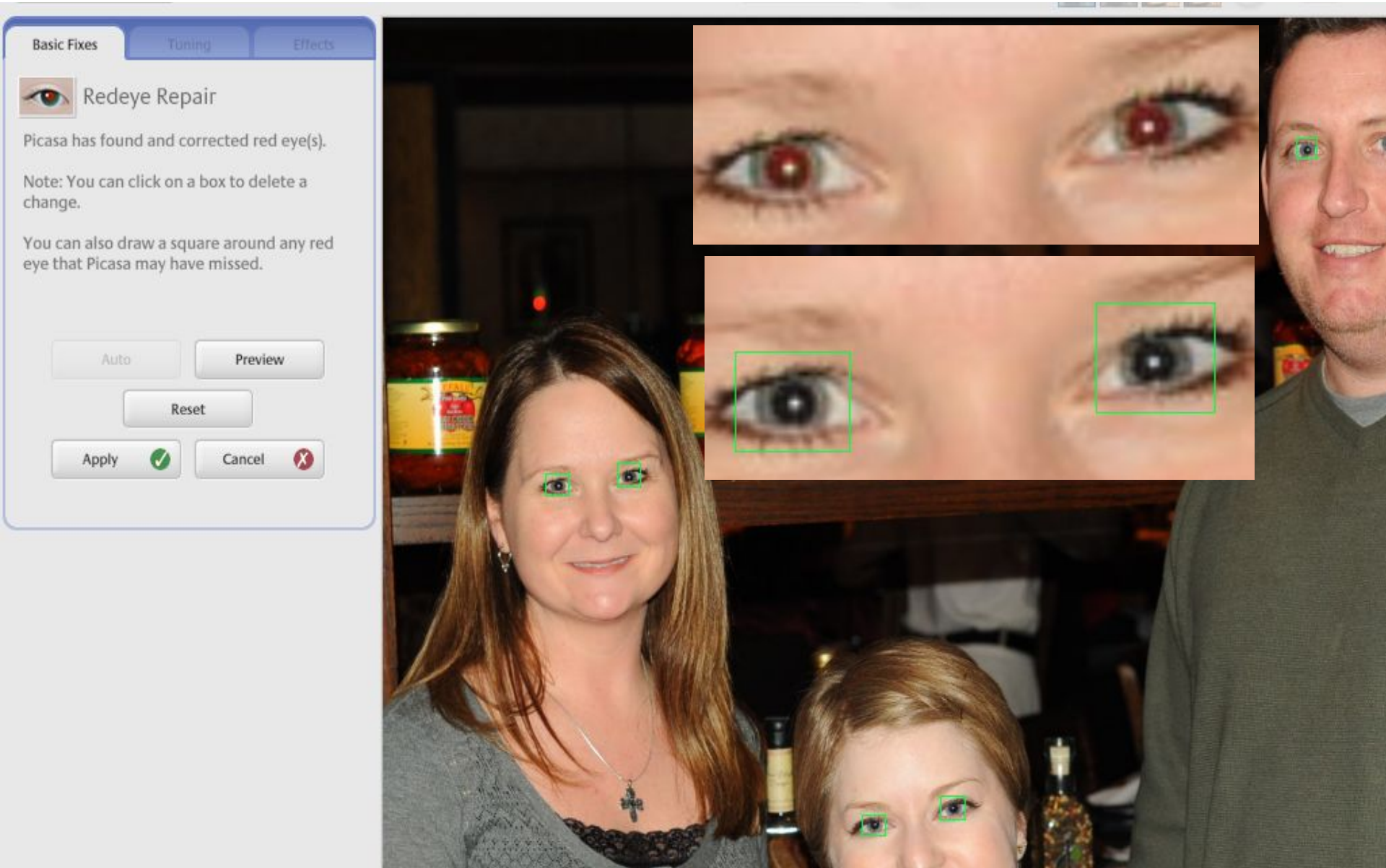
- 3 Main tabs with lots of automation in several of the options
  - One click fixes…pretty intuitive. Even the croping does a pretty good job of trying to figure out what would be best for you.



Editing - Straightening

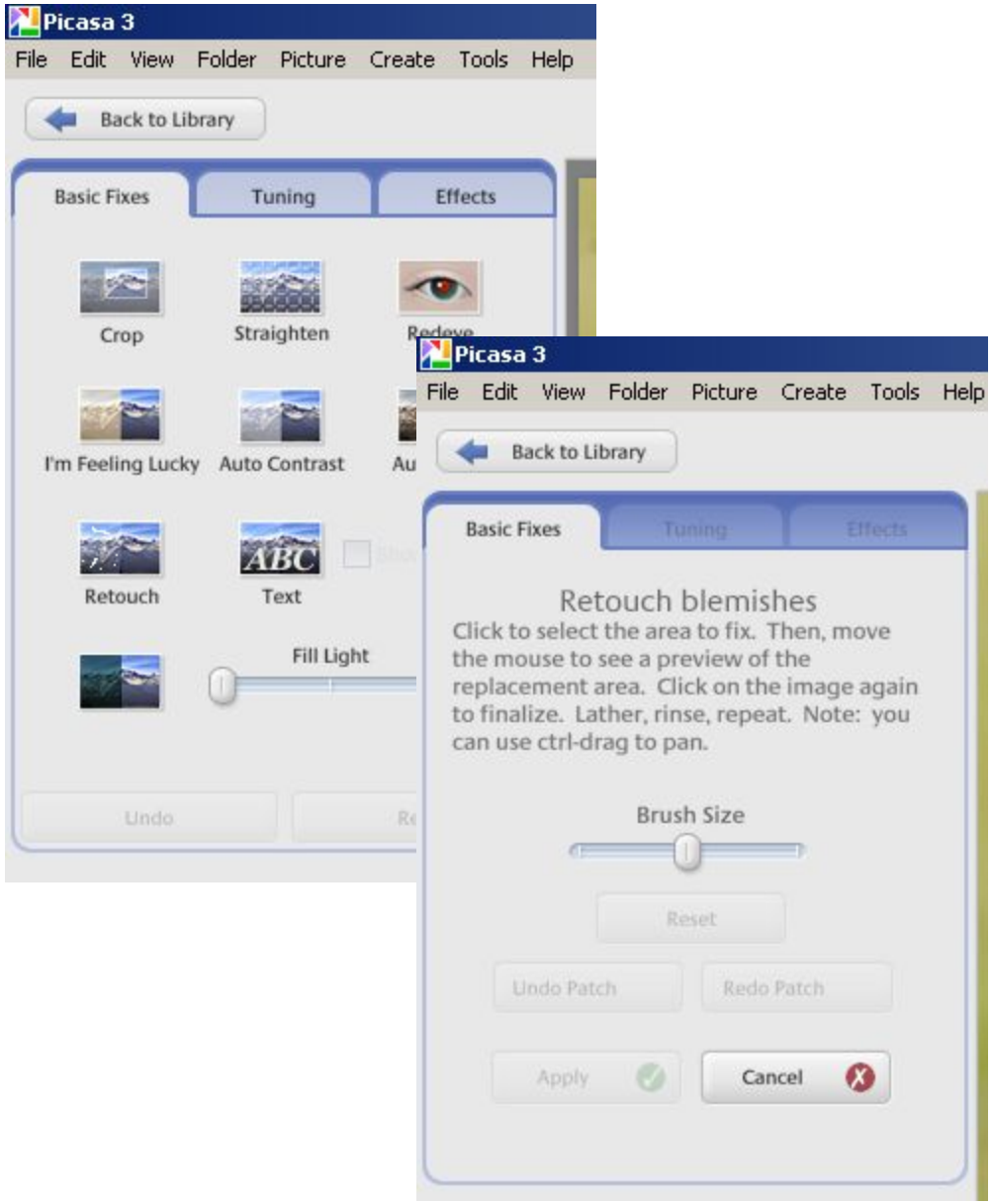
- One of the easiest strengtheners I have used

Editing – Auto Red Eye Fix



Editing - Retouching

- Don't expect a miracle here…but MAJOR improvement over none at all
  - Just the thought of cleaning a sensor makes me start to sweat…so the ability to get a quick fix is very nice.
  - This will take a little getting used to if you have used Photoshop's Clone tool. Remember, Picasa is not to replace a program like Photoshop…just offer a quick way of tweaking a photo with out really opening the photo.



Publishing

- Picasa is a great way to get your work published onto the web via a Google account and PicasaWeb
  - Images can be tweaked on your computer with out saving to the original (or even creating a 2nd file) and instantly uploaded to the internet.
  - Changes made later to the local file, even if still unsaved, are uploaded as updated to the files already in your PW gallery.
    - I.e. you upload a file…then a day later, you make it Black and White, or crop it, or fix the red eye or whatever, simply right click and Update File Online…and it is done.

Picasa Web

Google Docs & Spreadsheets BETA

Create and share your work online

Create and share your work online

Create, edit and upload quickly
Import your existing documents, spreadsheets and presentations, or create new ones from scratch.

Access and edit from anywhere
All you need is a Web browser. Your documents are stored securely online.

Share changes in real time
Invite people to your documents and make changes together, at the same time.

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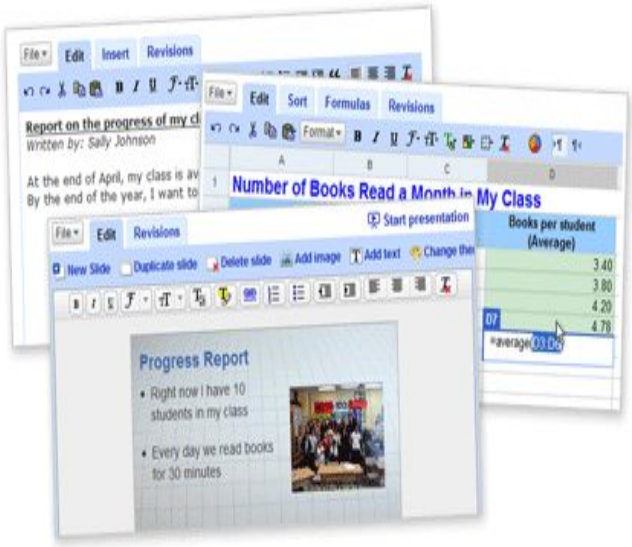

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Sign in

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- Getting stuff on line is so easy…it's cheesy!

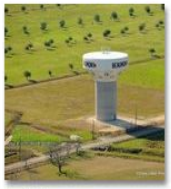
Picasa Web

Drew 's Public Gallery Albums (26)

Sort by: **Album date** | Upload date

Share

Architecture
Dec 31, 2008
photos: 4



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Abstract
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Black & White
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photos: 16

Infrared
Dec 23, 2008
photos: 6

Macro and Flowers
Dec 19, 2008
photos: 31

Misc, Other
Dec 19, 2008
photos: 2

Night
Dec 18, 2008
photos: 19

News
Dec 18, 2008
photos: 3

Patriotic
Dec 17, 2008
photos: 6

Pets
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Portrait
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Portrait - Children
Dec 15, 2008
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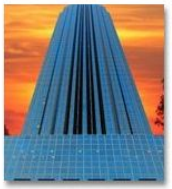

Special Effects
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photos: 17

Scenics
Dec 13, 2008
photos: 39

Self Portrait
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photos: 9

Sunsets
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photos: 43

Shooters
Dec 13, 2008
photos: 14

Silhouettes
Dec 13, 2008
photos: 10

Still Life
Dec 13, 2008
photos: 4

2008-12-12 BCC Annual Christmas Party
Dec 12, 2008
photos: 47

Snow Day in Beaumont 2008-12-11
Dec 10, 2008
photos: 42

Videos
Dec 10, 2008

Wildlife
Dec 9, 2008

Photos by **Drew**

People in this gallery View All

Brianna

Allen

Kaylie

Todd

Ava

Aimee

Linked Galleries View All

Elizabeth

Aimee

Allen

Mark

Andy

Browse Tags

Tigers (6)
LSU (6)
Park (6)
Texas (6)
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Album Locations

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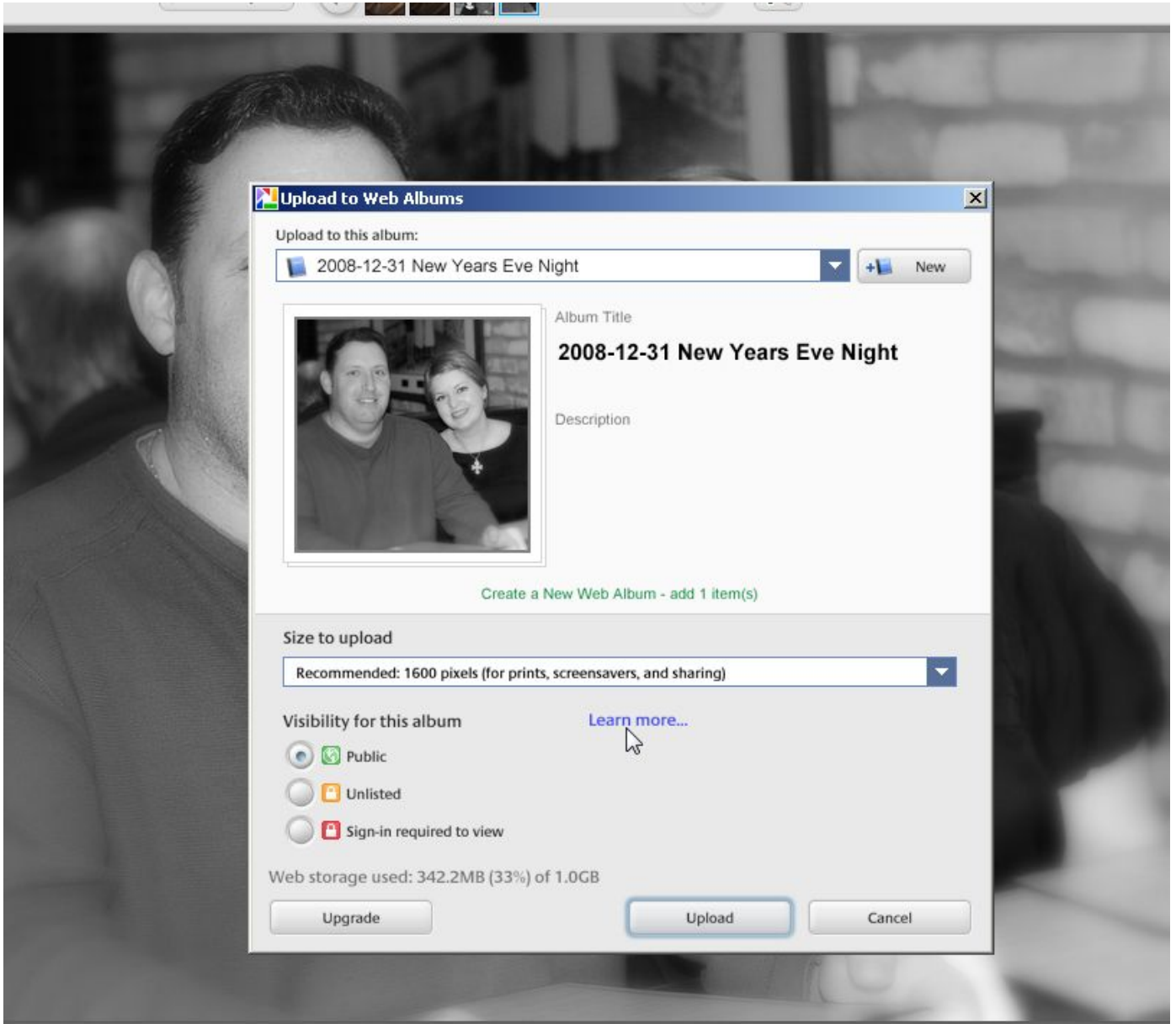
Upload to Web Albums
Upload to this album:
2008-12-31 New Years Eve Night
New
Album Title
2008-12-31 New Years Eve Night
Description
Create a New Web Album - add 1 item(s)
Size to upload
Recommended: 1600 pixels (for prints, screensavers, and sharing)
Visibility for this album
Learn more...
Public
Unlisted
Sign-in required to view
Web storage used: 342.2MB (33%) of 1.0GB
Upgrade
Upload
Cancel

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Content controls

- [ ] Allow visitors to download my photos.
- [x] Show RSS feed links on My Gallery and album pages.
- [ ] Allow visitors to order prints of my photos.
- [x] Show my photo locations to others.
- [x] Use Exif location information.

Purchase additional storage

With a Google shared storage plan, you won't have to worry about deleting files, pictures, or e
share a single new storage space. Learn more

You are currently using:

Gmail	0 GB of 7.43 GB
Picasa Web Albums	0.33 GB of 1 GB

Please select a plan:

Your new plan will automatically renew,

- (•) 10 GB ($20.00 USD per year)
- ( ) 40 GB ($75.00 USD per year)
- ( ) 150 GB ($250.00 USD per year)
- ( ) 400 GB ($500.00 USD per year)

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Email Password Login

Sign Up Sign up for Facebook to use Picasa.

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It's now faster than ever to upload photos to Facebook! Send your photos directly from Picasa with this easy-to-use tool. You'll save time and effort, and your Picasa captions will be sent along too!

INSTALL NOW

Requires Picasa 2.5 or later.
Trouble installing?

Installation and Usage Instructions

Installation

1. Install Picasa 2 or 3 for Windows or Mac

If you haven't already, you can download it here.

2. Install the plugin

Click the button above to launch Picasa and install the plugin.

3. Display the button

In the list that pops up, select the new "Facebook" button and click "Add" to place it in the button tray.

Usage

1. Select photos to upload

Photos Uploaded (thousands per day)

News

January 7, 2009
New site and button v2 (with icon) released.

December 18, 2008
Added privacy selection option.

Various Popular Uploaders

- Just do a search for what ever place you use and Picasa, and there is probably an uploader available (unfortunately not for MySpace).

Movie Making

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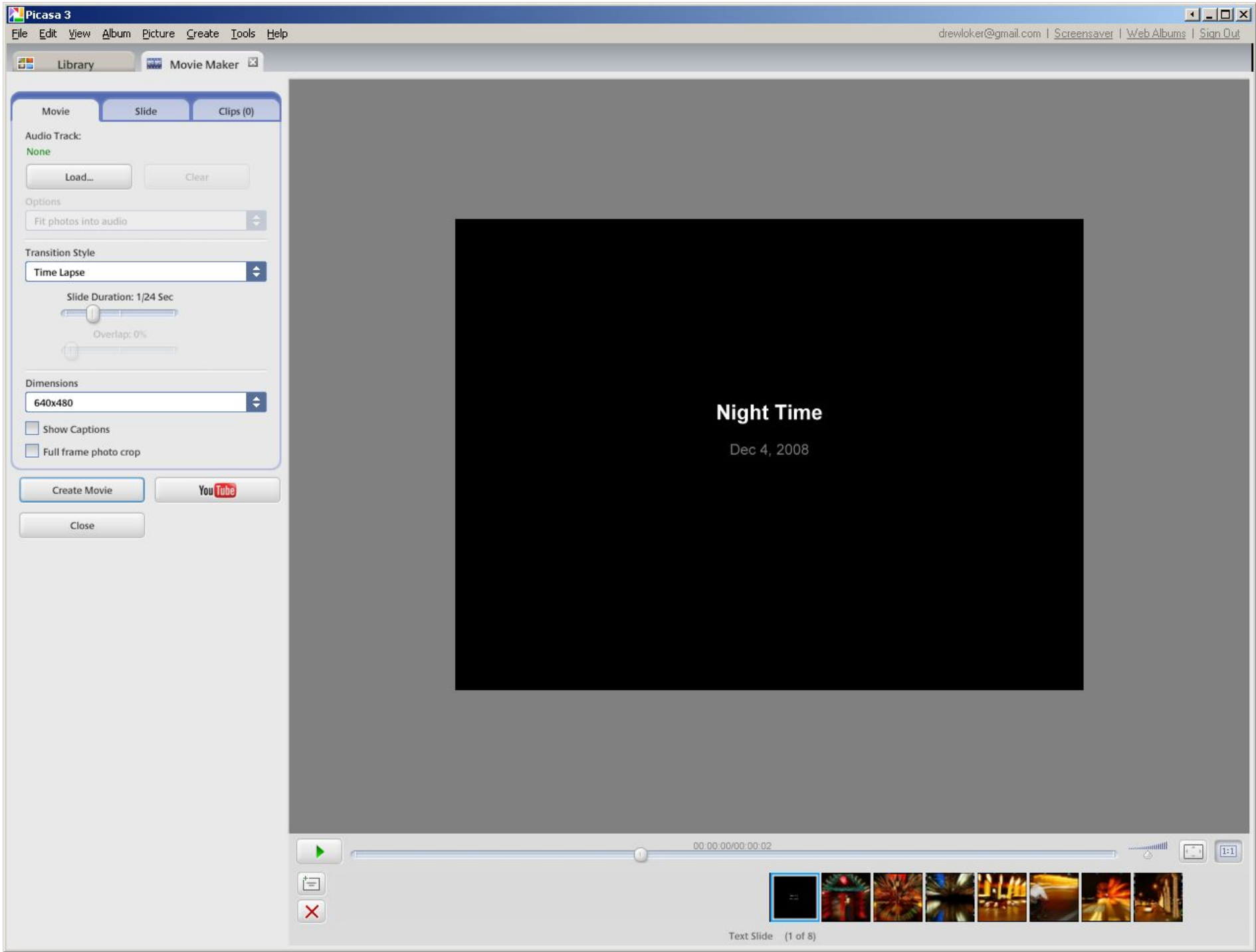
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