## RE-SIZING WITH PHOTOSHOP FOR PRINT COMPETITION

If you are using a commercial printer like Orleans Camera, Adorama or Mpix.com to print your pictures, you'll need to size your images correctly and set the proper resolution before sending them to the printer.

Step 1. Crop image to proper size/aspect ratio. It's up to you to decide the size of your image, but for a $16 \times 20$ mat, an image size of either $11 \times 14$ or $11 \times 15$ is typical. Most store-bought mats have an opening of $11 \times 14$ (actually it's $10.75 \times 13.75$ ).

Step 2. Go to: Image>Image Size


Check the settings in the Image Size screen:
Width and Height - Enter the correct dimensions for your image. Make sure the lock icon in between "Width" and "Height" is activated to constrain proportions.

Resample - Make sure it's checked. Use drop down menu to select resampling method. You may have to experiment with the different resampling methods in the drop-down menu to find the best one for a particular image. Start with "Automatic" and see how it works out. Look for halos, artifacts and any kind of distortion in the image when resampling.

Resolution - Enter proper resolution. Most home printers use 300 or 360 pixels per inch. Commercial printers will tell the resolution they want for pictures you send for them to print. 300 pixels per inch is typical.

Step 3. Click OK.
Step 4. Save your image as a jpeg or in whatever format the printer requires.

