

Scanning

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Tips...

Scan at the proper resolution. The proper resolution is determined by the end product. Where will this image be displayed? On a printer? On a monitor screen? On the Web? You only need to scan at the resolution required by your output.

- The resolution of an image **cannot** be changed after you have scanned
- Try not to use images found on the web -- most are low resolution and will become pixellated if you try and increase the size in your poster
- For images which will be published on the web, scan at 72 dpi
- For most print publications, scan at 150 dpi
- For professional print publications or poster-size publications, scan at 300 dpi or higher
- Save your images as JPEG or TIFF file formats
- TIFF file format is the highest quality, but the file sizes are enormous
- JPEG file formats are next in quality and much smaller in size

Use UCLA's Poster Calculator:

<http://www.uclaphoto.ucla.edu/How-To's/UCLAPosterResCalc.htm>