## Making a Slideshow with Photostage from NCH by Dennis Fritsche March 7, 2023

Photostage Slideshow Software from NCH Software HERE

Home Edition \$24.99 until March 15 (regularly \$50)

Pro Edition \$34.99 until March 15 (regularly \$70) Can insert video clips

Dennis' workflow with example Silos

- 1. Gather images for the slideshow. Great use for Collections in Lightroom if the images are in different places.
- 2. I have a folder for *Miscellaneous Slideshows*. Under this folder I create a new folder *Sillos -demo* for the show with a subfolder *Images*.
- 3. Convert the selected images to jpeg and put in the *Images* subfolder. Recommend not adding watermark.
  - a. PPC projector is 4K ie 3840 X 2160
  - b. DCC projector is HD ie 1920 X 1080
  - c. Either is acceptable since the PPC projector upscaling is very good and DCC downscaling is very good.
  - d. I use 4K for future proofing.
- 4. Start Photostage and see a new project.
- 5. Add a blank slide for a title slide. Add text.
- 6. Load the converted photos to *Images*. Select and drag to the film strip.
- 7. Add a blank slide to the end and add music and other credits.
- 8. Load music
  - a. Choose appropriate music and plan for about 7 seconds per slide.
  - b. For free music from YouTube HERE
  - c. I load from my music library.
- 9. Synchronize slide length to music length.
- 10.Export to video file. MP4, resolution matches images.
- 11.Save project in Silos demo
- 12. View and proof the show.

DCC Examples <u>HERE</u> PPC Example <u>HERE</u>

Lightroom	Photostage
Pros	Pros
- Part of Lightroom	- Extensive text capability
- Well integrated with Lightroom	- Library of transitions
- Do not have to export images	- Effects and Animations
	- Output 4K video
	- Audio editing
CONS	Cons
- Limited text capability	- Harder to learn
- Can only output up to HD	- Separate package to purchase
	- Have to export image files