

Photoshop Elements 5

DELETE ALL PHOTOS

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In Photoshop Elements, the organizer lets you see photos using thumbnails. This is quite convenient when you're uploading photos; but, can be quite a slow process if you've loaded your hard drive with photos, graphics and illustrations.

On my system, I only display the photos upon which I am working. To do that, I must delete all previously deleted photos from the Organizer; but, *not* from the hard drive.

To clear ALL photos from the PSE Organizer (which I recommend):

1. In Elements, click on “View & Organize Photos” (**Figure 1**).
2. Before beginning the operation, ensure that you left-click on “Back to All Photos” if that button is showing (**Figure 2**).

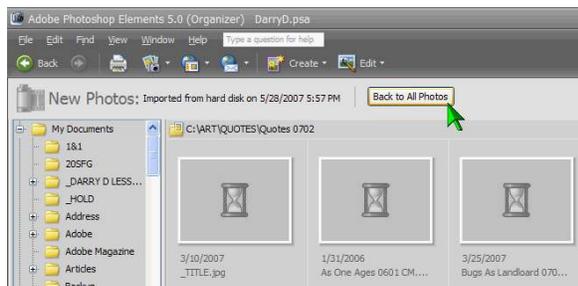


Figure 2



Figure 1



Figure 3

3. You may see the “New files have been found....” If so, left-click on “No” button (**Figure 3**).

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4. From the MenuBar, select Edit > Select All (**Figure 4**).



Figure 4



Figure 5

5. The result is that all the photos are selected (**Figure 5**).

6. Touch the “Delete” key, on the keyboard.

7. Left-click on “OK” to confirm deleting all the photos (**Figure 6**).



Figure 6



Do NOT “delete selected item(s) from the hard drive” in the “Confirm Deletion from Catalog” window. It is one of the most dangerous mistakes you can make in Elements. Once you click on that box, it stays checked. Thus, if the next time you want to just remove the photos from the Organizer but not from the hard drive, if you do not remember to remove the check, those photos are history.