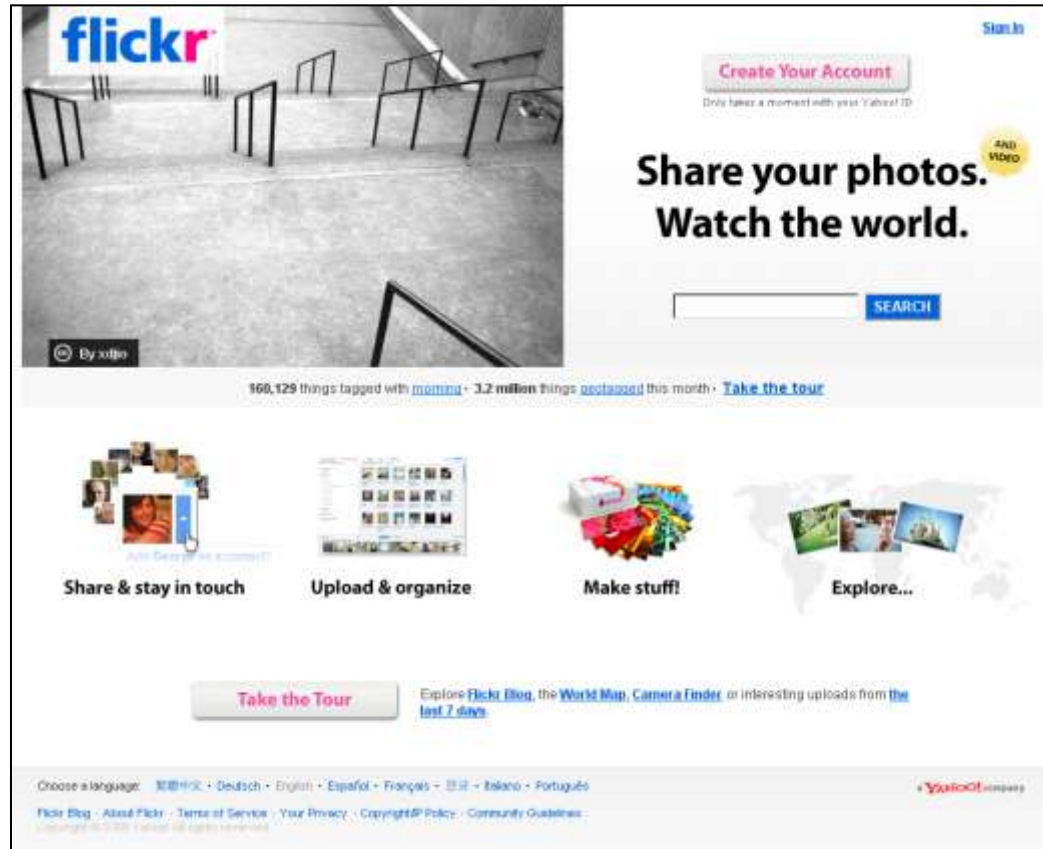
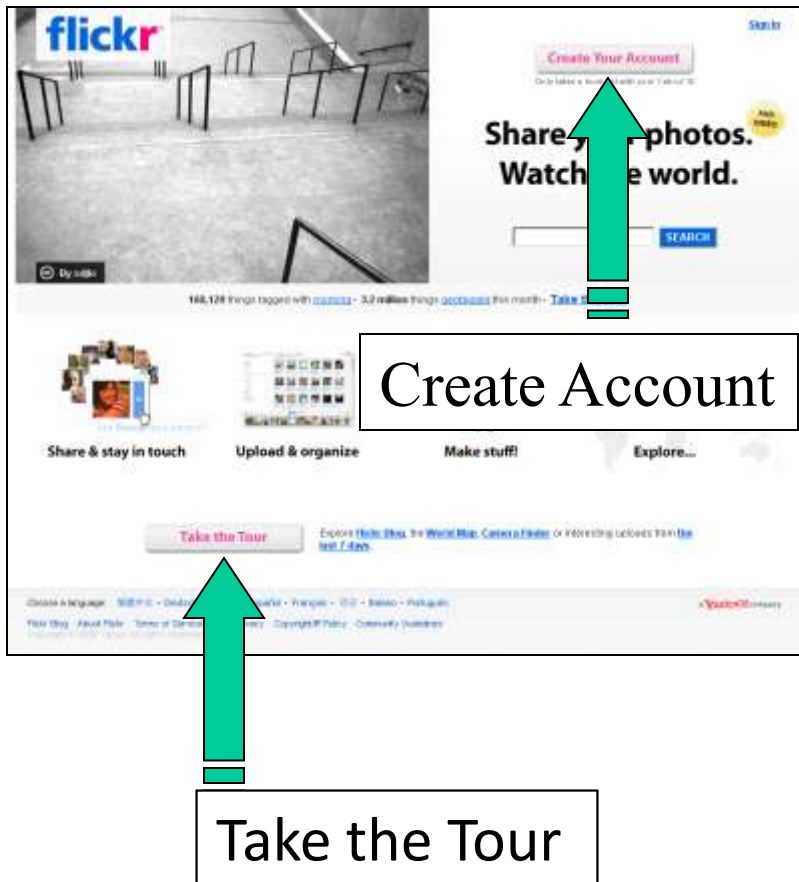


Getting Started with Flickr



The screenshot shows the Flickr homepage layout. At the top left is the Flickr logo. To its right is a 'Sign In' link and a 'Create Your Account' button with the subtext 'Only takes a moment with your Yahoo! ID'. Below the account button is the main headline 'Share your photos. Watch the world.' with a '4 AND VIDEO' badge. A search bar with a 'SEARCH' button is positioned below the headline. A navigation bar contains the text '166,129 things tagged with [morning](#) · 3.2 million things [uploaded](#) this month · [Take the tour](#)'. Below this are four main action buttons: 'Share & stay in touch' (with a photo collage icon), 'Upload & organize' (with a screenshot of the Flickr interface), 'Make stuff!' (with a colorful gift box icon), and 'Explore...' (with a world map icon). At the bottom, there is a 'Take the Tour' button and a link to explore the Flickr Blog, World Map, Camera Finder, and recent uploads. The footer includes a language selection menu (Chinese, Deutsch, English, Español, Français, 日本語, Italiano, Português), links for Flickr Blog, About Flickr, Terms of Service, Your Privacy, Copyright Policy, and Community Guidelines, and the Yahoo! logo.

www.flickr.com



- Go to www.flickr.com
- Click “Take the Tour”
- Click “Create Your Account”
 - Note: Flickr is a service offered by Yahoo, so you will need to create a Yahoo id and password before you can create a Flickr account
 - Yahoo membership and the basic Flickr account are both FREE

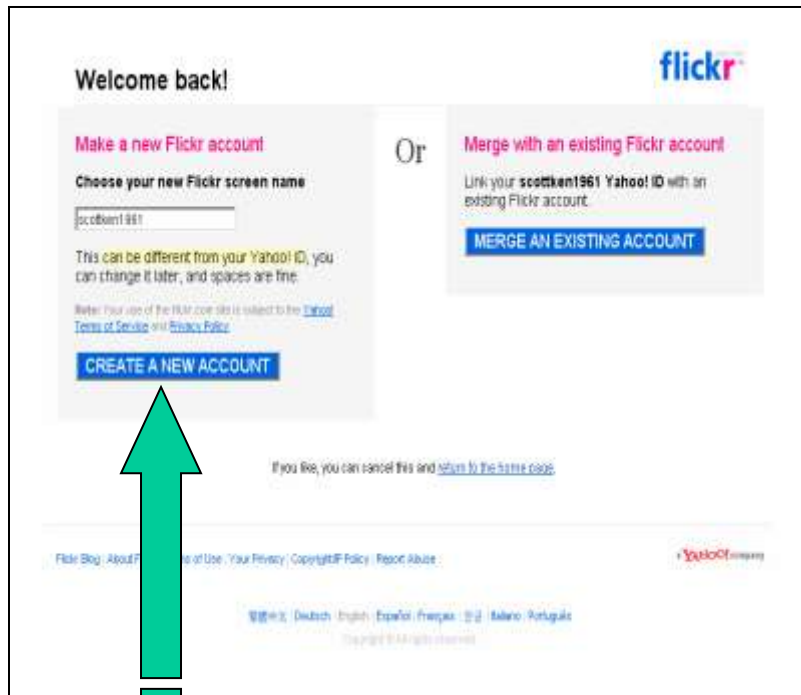
Signing in to Yahoo



- If you already have a Yahoo ID and password
 - Sign in to Yahoo
- If not
 - Go to the 'Sign Up' link to create your Yahoo account
- Follow the prompts on the Yahoo screen
- Make careful note of your ID and Password: you will need these when signing in to Flickr

Sign Up

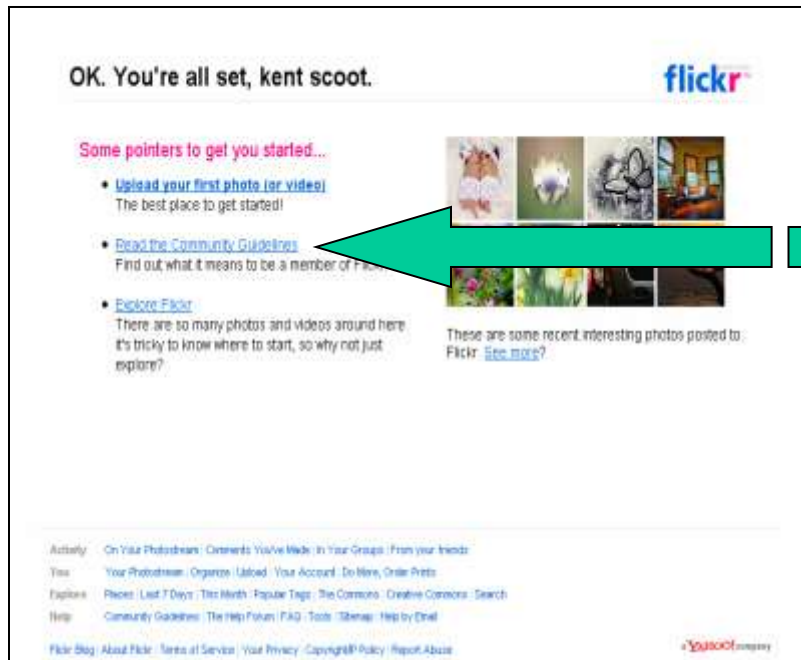
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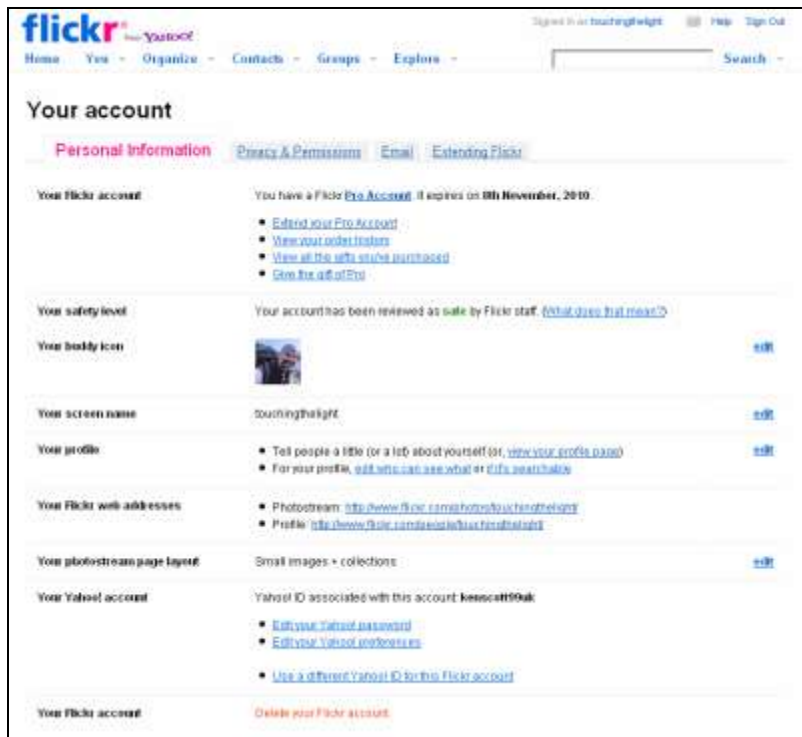
- When you have signed in successfully to Yahoo, you will see this screen.
- Choose your Screen Name, by which you will be known in the flickr community
- you can change it at any time
- Click on [Create New Account](#)

All Done!



- This is your welcome screen
- Read the Community Guidelines
- Take some time to explore a while

Your Account

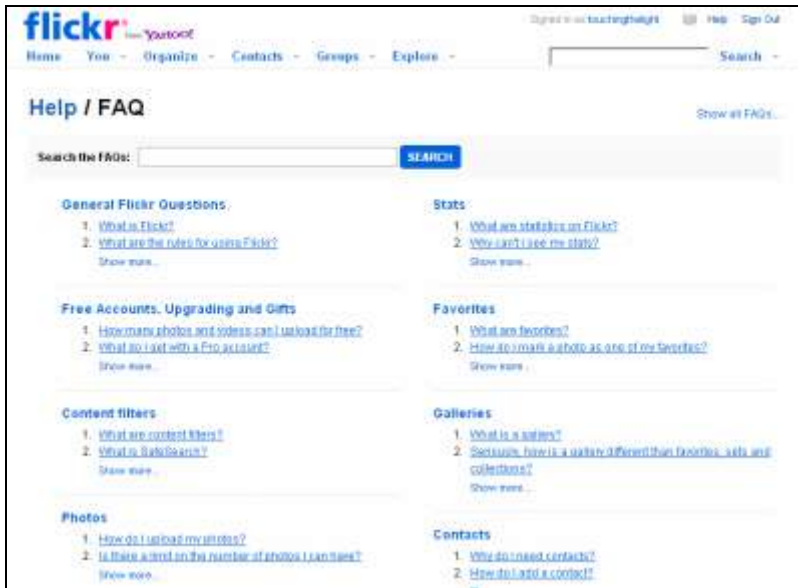


- Take time to explore and set up Your Account.
- Choose a screen name that is meaningful to you and easy for people to remember
- Write a short profile of yourself
- Add a picture – a “buddy icon”
- Look carefully at Privacy and Permissions – see next page

Privacy and Permissions

- Take time to set up Your Privacy and Permissions. In particular:
 - Who can Download and Print: Suggest Contacts only
 - Hide your profile from public searches: Suggest No
 - Hide your pictures from 3rd Party searches: Suggest Yes
- Important: Set your filters
 - There are no restrictions on Flickr content.
 - The onus is on **YOU** to **flag your images** as either Moderate or Restricted if they contain e.g. Nudity or content that might lead to offence
 - The onus is on **YOU** to **filter your searches** if you do not want to see Moderate or Restricted images
 - If you are happy to see everything and anything, have Safe Search OFF, otherwise set according to your tastes
 - Best to read the **FAQ** on the whole subject of safety

Help and FAQs



- DO use the three Help sections
 - They are comprehensive and possibly the best for ANY website
- FAQ
 - Frequently Asked Questions
- Forum
 - Someone else has probably had the problem already
- Community Guidelines
 - An important guide as to how to get the best out of your Flickr experience

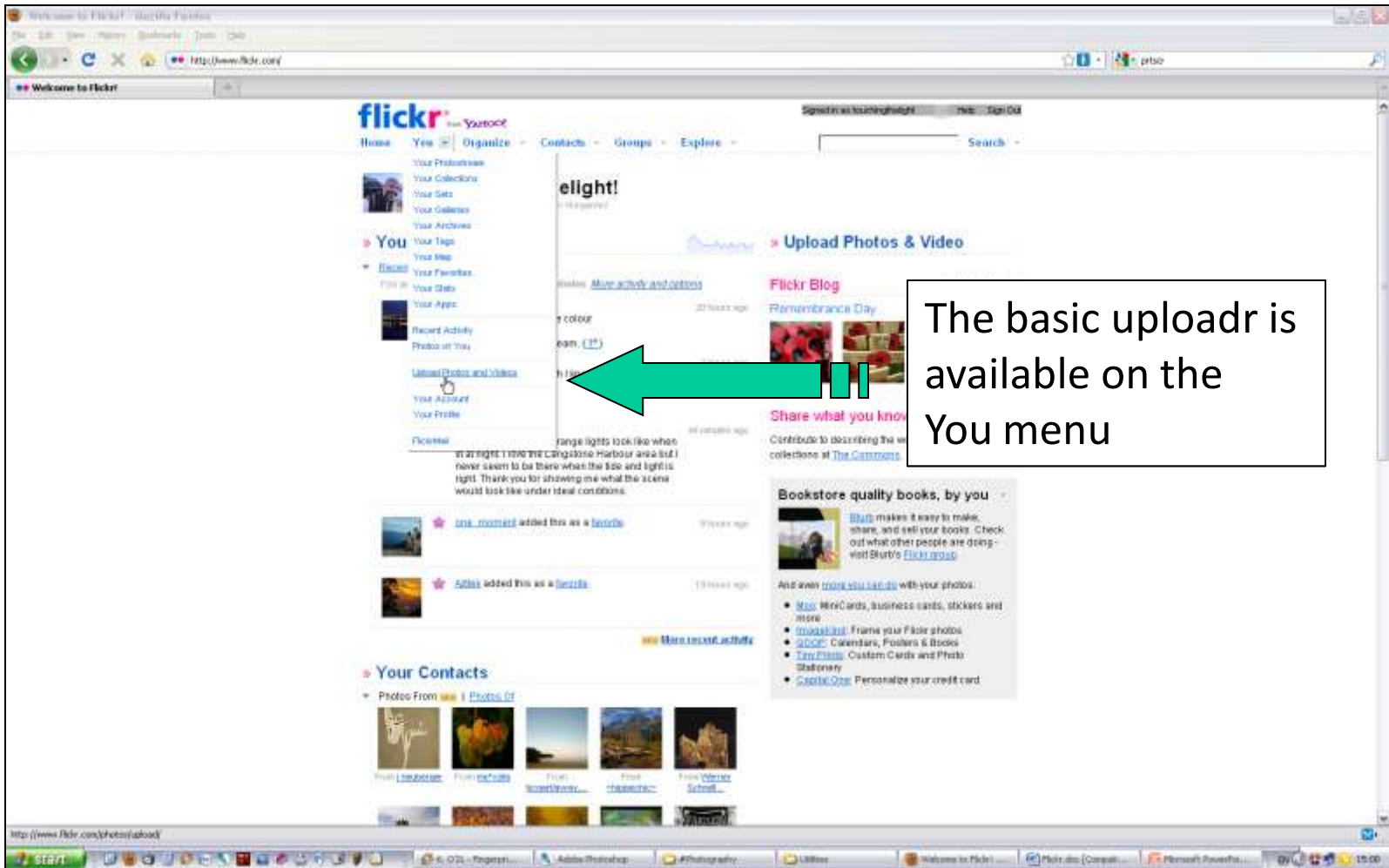
Getting Started

- Make sure you upload something regularly
 - even if it is just one or two images per week
- Join the Steyning Camera Club Group and add images to the pool
 - Then we can see that you have joined up with Flickr
- Make a few Contacts of your friends at the club
 - Leave some comments on their images; things will reciprocate quickly
- Look at Contacts of your Contacts (via their Profile)
 - Get inspired and contact a few more people more widely
 - Participate by commenting and making friends
- Explore
 - Search for genres that interest you
 - Browse Explore
- Grow slowly – Keep it manageable

On Commenting

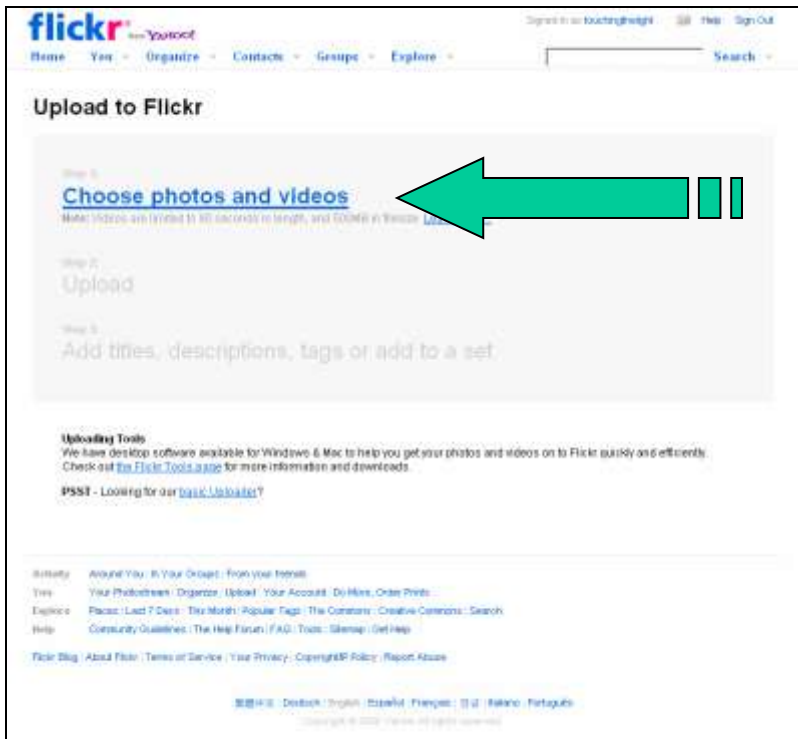
- Commenting is not the same as Club judging
- You will generally get comments when people like the picture
 - If they don't, or it is not interesting, then comments will be fewer
- If you want a critique, then ask for one in your caption. Similarly, don't give a critique unless invited.
- You could use the club pool for sharing critiques
- Make your comments meaningful and positive
 - Say what you like and how you feel about the picture
 - Don't just give hyperbole like “Wow” or “Awesome” or “Great shot”
- Beware “Award Groups” that give out quasi medals and badges
 - People use them to get exposure, but ultimately get only hundreds of meaningless comments

Basic Uploading



The basic upload is available on the You menu

Uploading

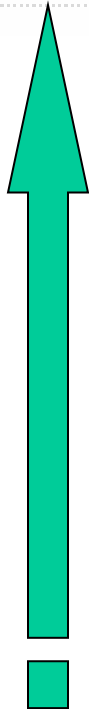


- Have your images ready sized and optimised
 - 1400 pixels wide or 1050 high is the max you need
 - 800 wide by 600 high matches the club website and is also fine for Flickr
- Follow the steps
- Alternatively, download and install the Uploadr program
 - easy and intuitive
 - manage all you uploads and captioning at one time

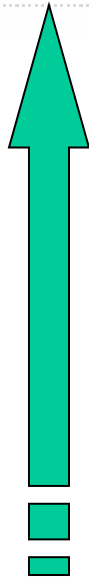
Menu



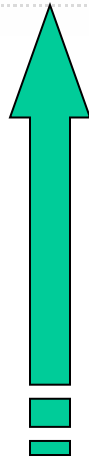
Home You | ▾ Organize | ▾ Contacts | ▾ Groups | ▾ Explore | ▾



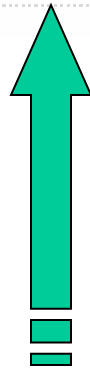
Home: Latest activity



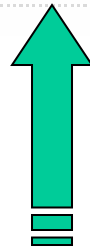
You: Your Photostream, Upload, Your Account and Your Profile



Organize: Create Sets and Collections, add to Groups and the Map



Contacts: See your Contacts latest stuff and manage

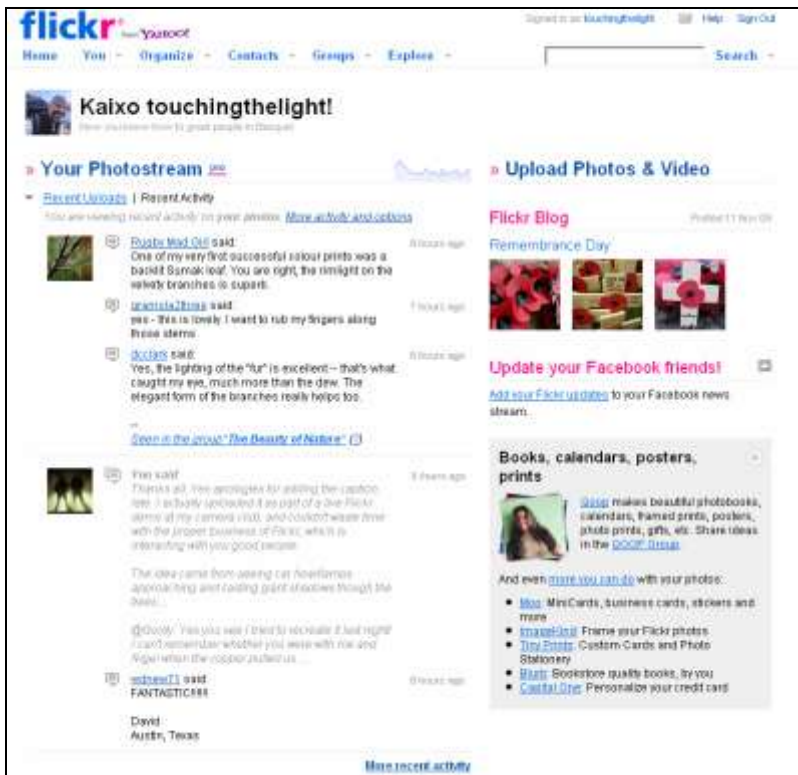


Groups: Find and access your Groups



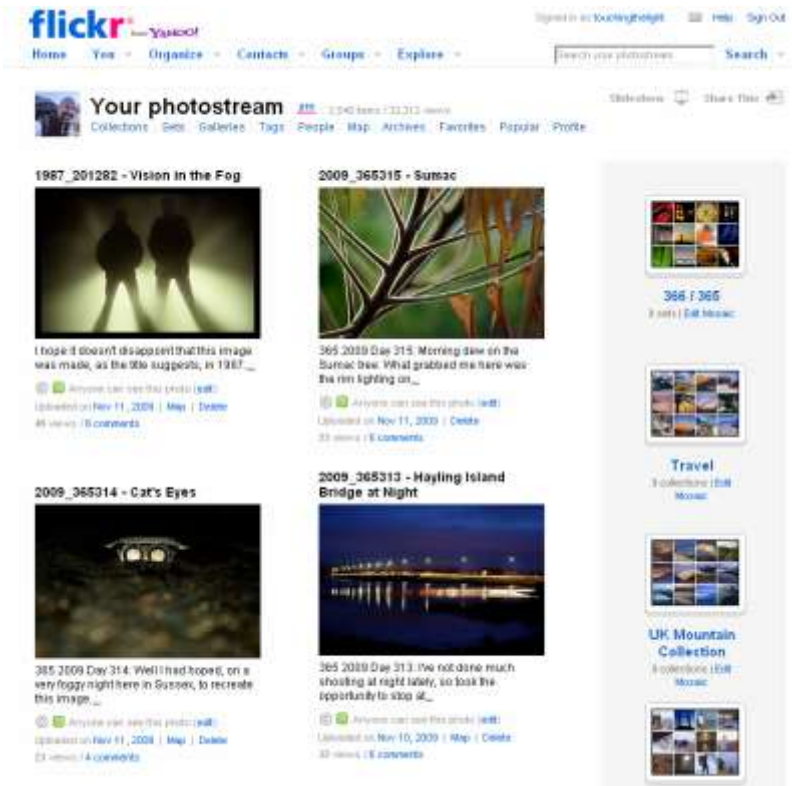
Explore: Flickr's most "interesting" stuff

Your Home Page



- Shows all the latest activity in one place
- Comments on your pictures
- Pictures your contacts have uploaded
- Pictures uploaded to Groups you have joined
- Latest Explore pictures

Your Photostream



- Is always available from the “You” menu
- Can be customised
- Always shows your latest uploads
- Is your shop window ...

Organising with Organizr

The screenshot shows the Flickr Organizr interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'Batch Organize', 'Sets & Collections', 'Groups', and 'Map'. Below these are navigation options: 'Create a new collection or set', 'View: All sets | Sets into a collection', and 'Your photos from flickr'. The main area displays a grid of photo thumbnails, each with a title and a count of photos. Annotations include: a green arrow pointing to the left sidebar; a green arrow pointing to the 'Sets & Collections' tab; a green arrow pointing to a photo thumbnail; a text box 'Locate Photos on the map' pointing to the 'Map' tab; a text box 'Add photos to Groups Just drag and drop to add images' pointing to a photo thumbnail; a text box 'Create Sets and Collections Just drag and drop to add images' pointing to the sidebar; and a text box 'Add titles, captions and tags' pointing to the bottom photo strip.

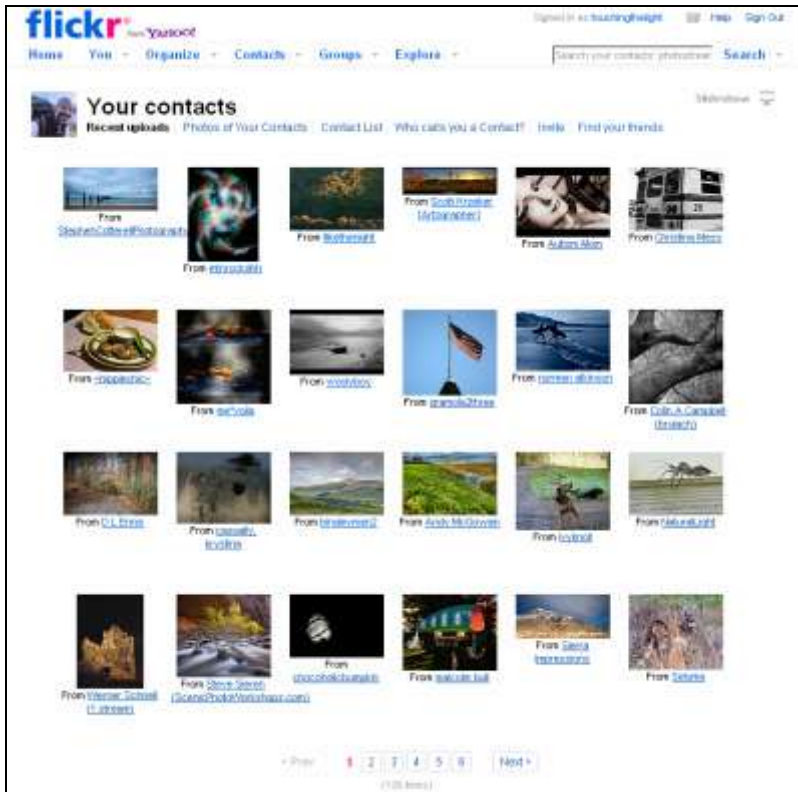
Locate Photos on the map

Add photos to Groups
Just drag and drop to add images

Create Sets and Collections
Just drag and drop to add images

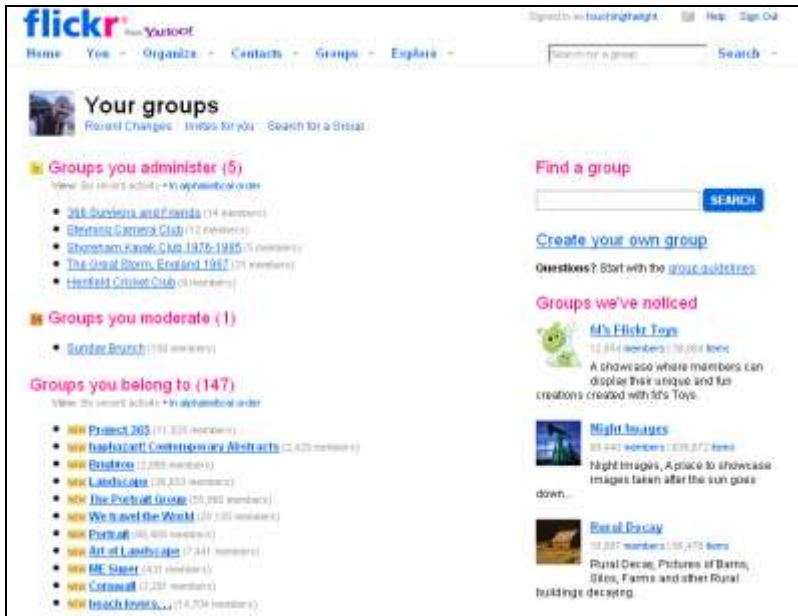
Add titles, captions and tags

Contacts



- See the latest from your Contacts and who has Contacted you
- A Contact is someone whose photography interests you
- You can mark them Friends and / or Family
- You don't have to reciprocate
- Keep them manageable: it is impossible to keep up with more than 100 or so
- It is wonderfully rewarding to have Contacts worldwide

Groups



- There are Groups for EVERY conceivable topic
- Find Groups here and also access Groups you have joined
- Groups are small sub-communities: make sure you participate to some degree by commenting on images
- Beware Groups that insist on Comments or that give out quasi awards!

And Finally

- Flickr has been the best investment of my time and energy in over 30 years of photography.
 - Friendships across the world
 - Inspiration from fantastic photography that is at the cutting edge
- You have a world-class exhibition permanently at your fingertips
- And you are part of it ...
- Do participate – “you get out what you put in”
- Do ask for help if you need it

- Accounts
 - Basic: 200 images and 3 sets Free
 - Pro: unlimited \$24.99 pa

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