



Scrapping with Filters: The Pointillize Effect

What's the Point(illism)

If you are wondering about the Pointillize filter and what it's all about, this is the crash course on understanding this filter and the art style behind it.

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What is this Pointillize filter? In Photoshop and Photoshop Elements the Pointillize filter mimics the look of the Pointillism style of art named after a technique where colored dots are applied to a canvas to form an image.



Zoomed out:



Pointillism is not just visually striking, it also utilizes the same optical illusion that pixels can create on a computer screen. In both the pointillism of art history and a modern computer's pixels, several small dots combine to create an image that appears different to our eyes through the combination of colors and perspective.



Pointillism dates back to the time of Impressionist art, and came to attention in the late 1800's.

Though criticized in the beginning, Pointillism came to be known as one of the most progressive art movements of the time due to its introduction of a new perception in the field of color studies.

Want to learn more about Pointillism and the artists mentioned in the video?

Check out these links:

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pointillism>

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Georges_Seurat

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paul_Signac

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Théo_van_Rysselberghe

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Camille_Pissarro

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charles_Angrand