

CT Seller Image Downloader Chrome Extension

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8/8/25 Rev 042 - Added option to download all images associated with each lot. Option to organize each lot into it's own folder. Ability to abort download operation.

This extension will download all the cover images, and optionally all images, for a specified CTBids auction from the Seller Dashboard, using the Lot title as the filename. This makes it easy to not only identify the image to the lot, but also provide a meaningful description when creating marketing campaigns, uploading images to EstateSales.net/org/com, et al, etc.

My first version, written in 2020, was a Windows app. It served its purpose well, but was relegated to Windows. So, someone was asking about this subject - again - on the FB Owners Group and I pointed them to my old app. Then, I got to thinking that a browser extension could be used by nearly everyone with the Chrome browser - or derivatives thereof - regardless of the computer used. Ergo, this extension will work for Windows, Mac, Linux and Chromebook. Additionally, there are Chrome browser derivatives for Android and iOS that reportedly support extensions - I have not tested this, but for those inclined try the Orion Browser for iOS and Kiwi Browser for Android. Search the web for details.

I am looking into publishing to the Chrome Web Store, but in the meantime, here is how to install and use it.

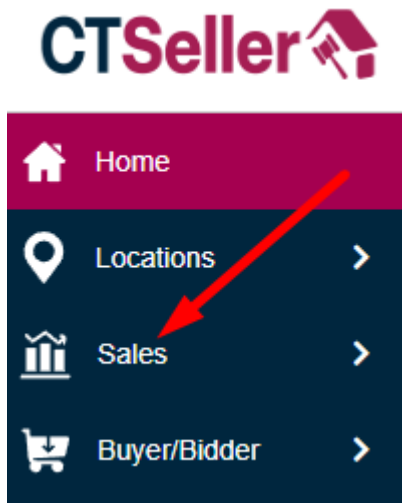
The source code is available and open source for all to inspect and modify. Find it at <https://github.com/CTFTW/CTSellerImageDownloaderExtension>

Installation:

1. Extract the ZIP file to a known location, such as Documents.
 - a. You should have folder called "CTSellerImageDownloader-main" that contains 5 files:
 - i. contents.js
 - ii. icon.png
 - iii. manifest.json
 - iv. popup.html
 - v. popup.js
2. Open Chrome and type in the URL bar `chrome://extensions` and press enter.
 - a. Enable "Developer mode" using the toggle switch in the top-right corner.
 - b. Click the "Load unpacked" button in the top-left corner.
 - c. Select the "CTSeller-Image-Downloader" folder you created in step 1.
3. Type `chrome://settings/downloads` in the URL bar and press enter.
 - a. Set the option "Ask where to save each file before downloading" to OFF.

How to Use

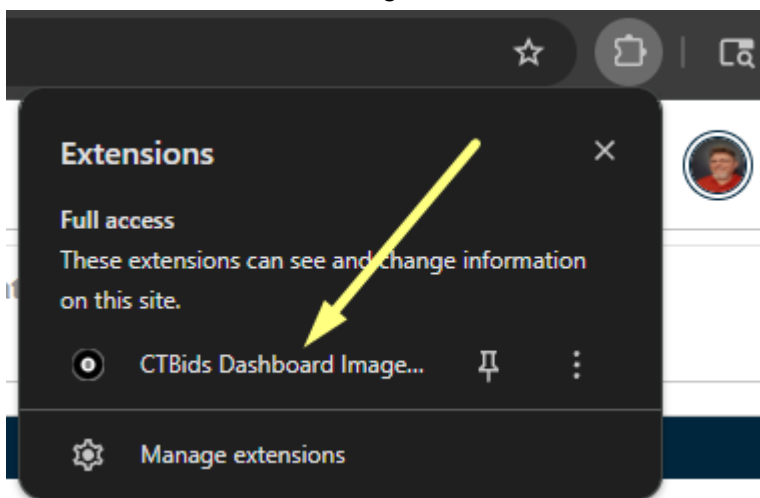
4. Log into your CT Seller account
 - a. Navigate to your sales page



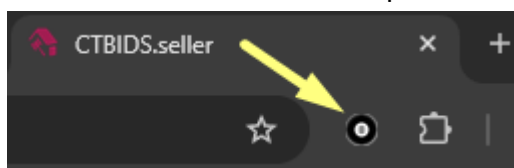
- b. Choose the dashboard for an auction.
 - i. This is the middle icon on the left.



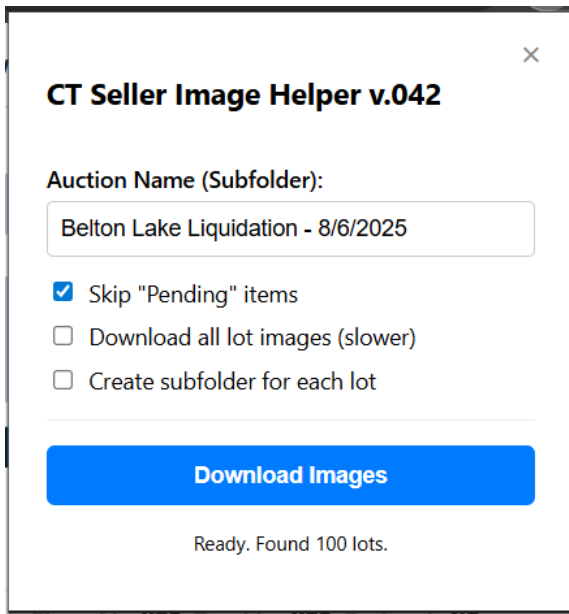
- c. If you have more than 100 lots in the auction, then scroll to the end of the page and click the "More" button until all lots have been displayed.
5. Click the Extensions icon on the Chrome toolbar to open the popup and click "CTBids Dashboard Image Downloader"



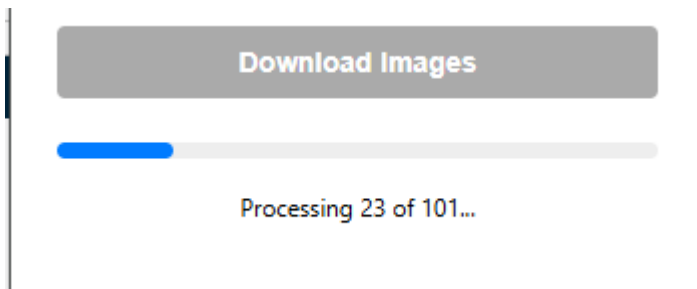
- a. NOTE: Click the "Pin" icon to put the extension on the toolbar for quick access.



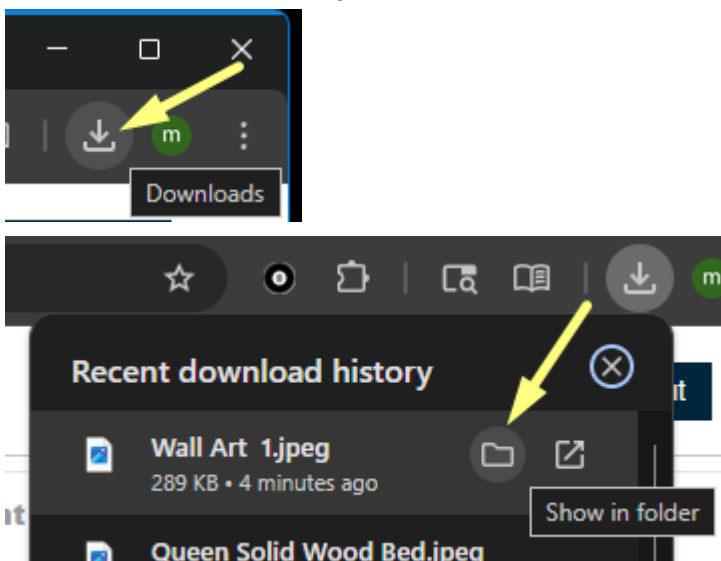
6. The UI will appear

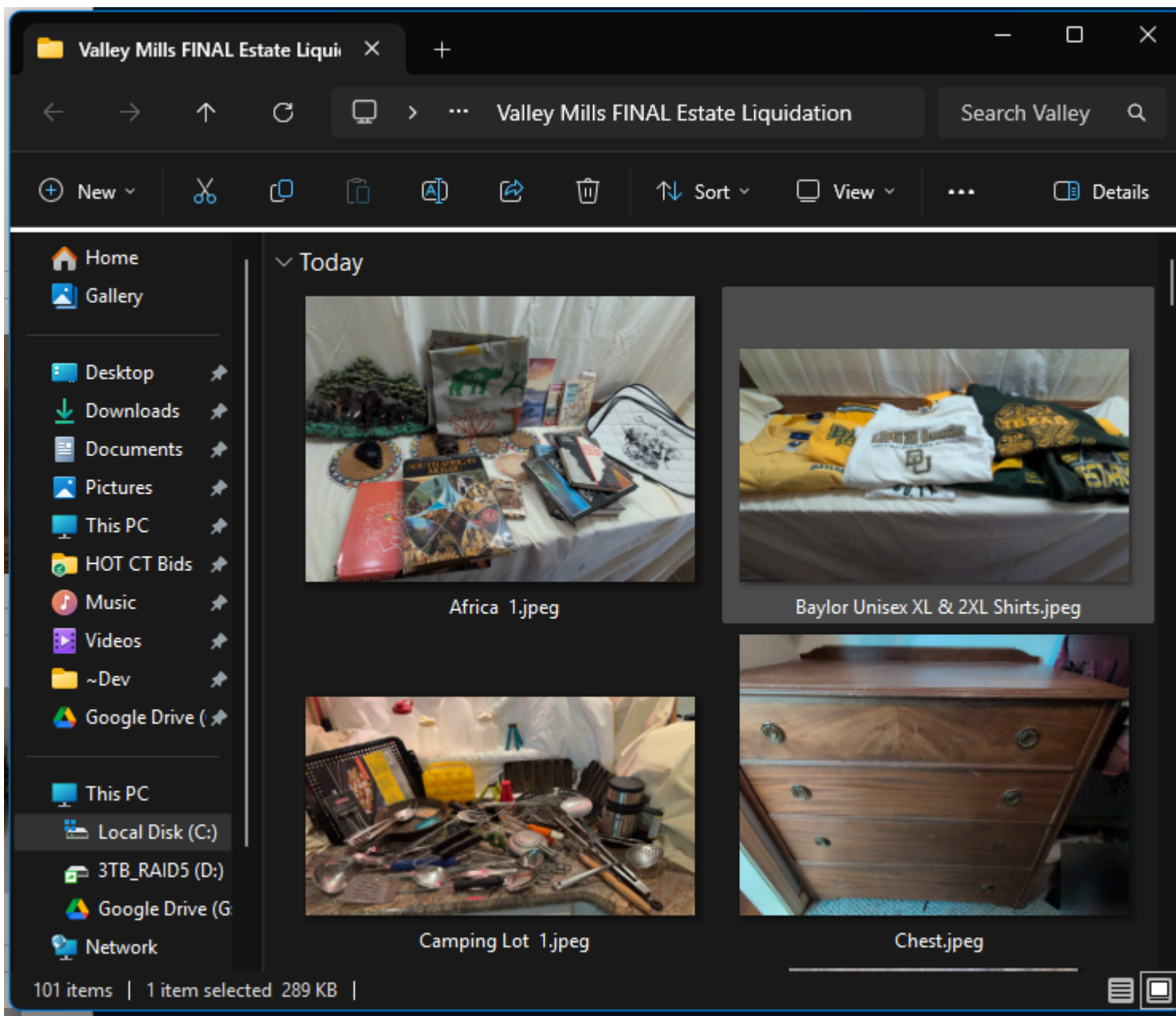


7. The auction title will be the default download folder. This can be edited before the download is started.
8. At the bottom, the number of images to be downloaded is displayed.
 - a. If you are not on the dashboard, an error will be shown.
9. When you're ready to go, click the download button.
 - a. All images will be sent to the download queue and processed.
10. A progress bar will display activity



11. When complete, go to your Download folder and you should find a folder with the auction title name that contains all the cover images with the lot names.





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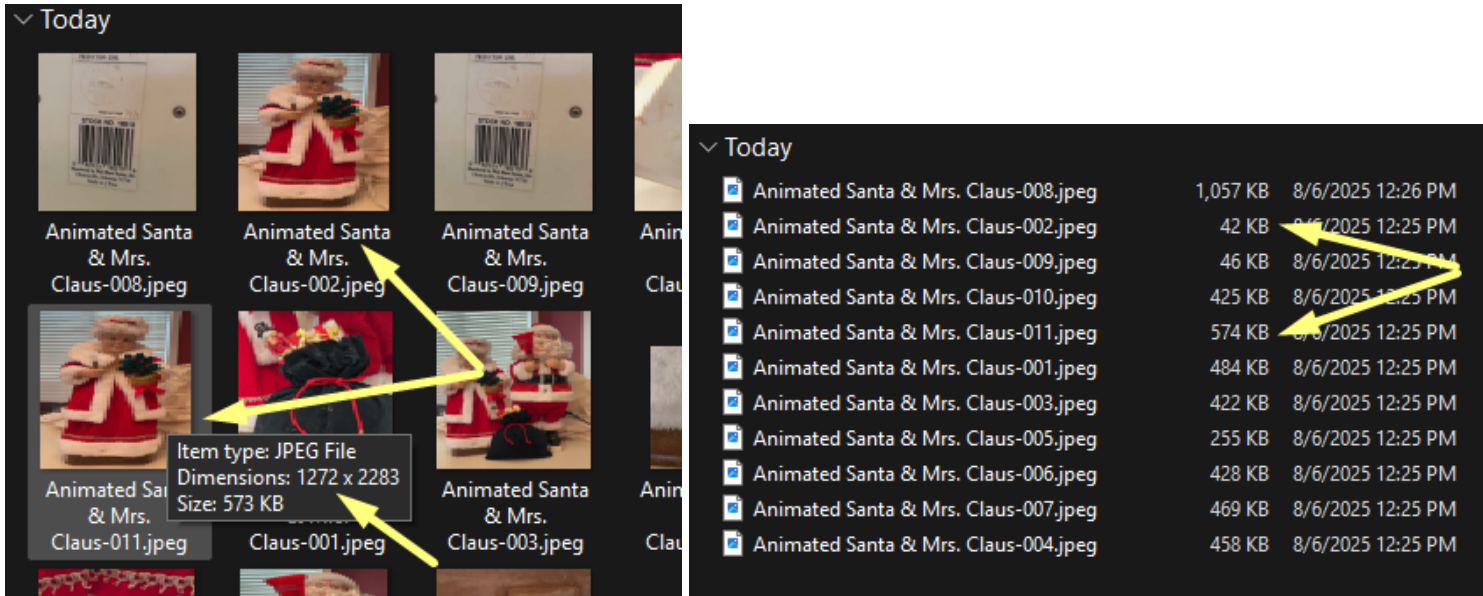
BONUS:

[Estatesales.NET](https://www.estatesales.net), [ORG](https://www.estatesales.org) and [COM](https://www.estatesales.com) all have an option to use the filename as the image description -- they tired of me pestering them for this feature. .NET is automatic, ORG and COM you have to enable the feature. So, when you advertise your sale on these sites, be sure to enable the option as it makes a much better presentation. Of course, .ORG now has the CT import feature.

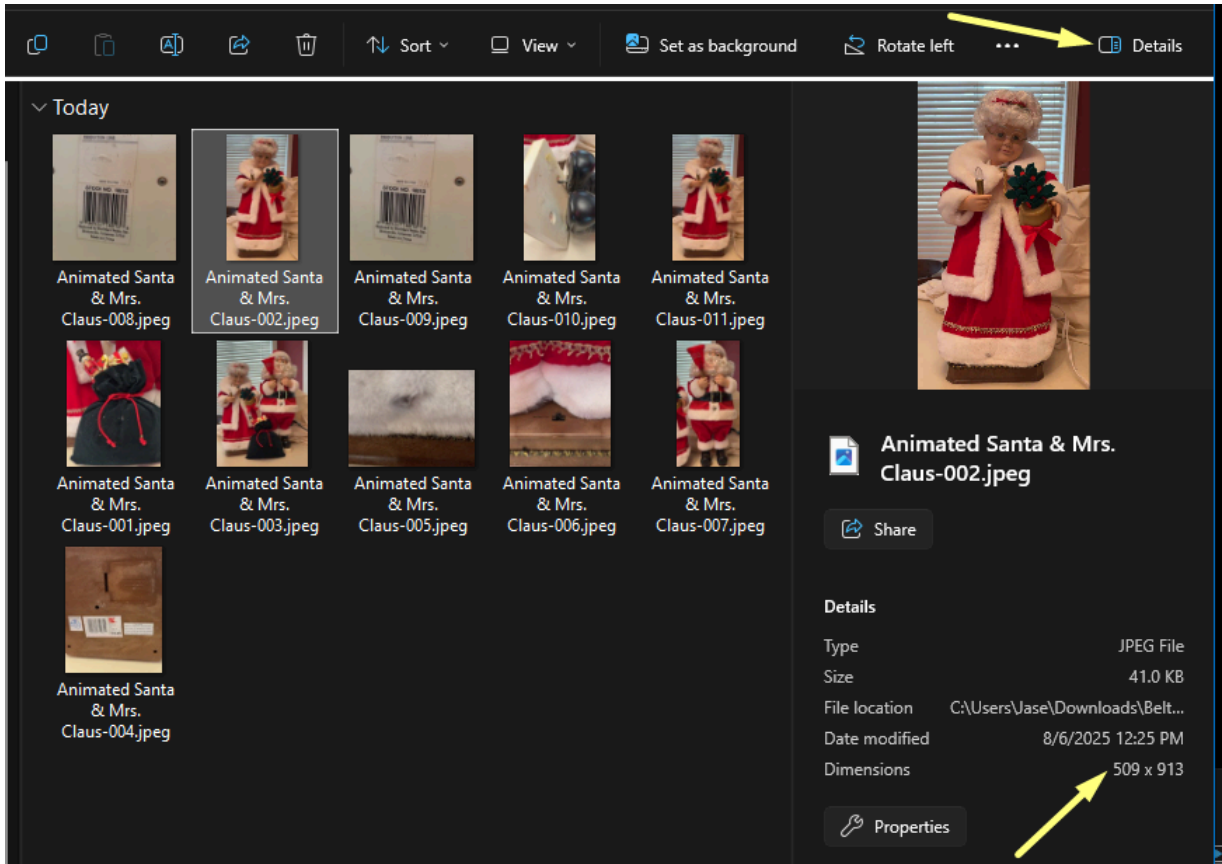
New Options:

☒ Download all lot images (slower)

This will recursively find and download all images associated with each lot, adding a numerical suffix to the filename. This allows for the collection of all images, including the full resolution versions when they've been scaled down for thumbnails and bandwidth efficiency. You can easily tell the difference by the filesize, or by hovering your pointer over the image to get details (on Windows. Not sure about Mac)



Or show the Details Pane



☒ Create subfolder for each lot

This option will create a subfolder for each lot and store the images therein. You'll probably want this when downloading all images, in effort to wrangle the chaos.

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2 Shelves Of Yarn & Projects		Fun And Whimsical Toucans Plus	8/6/20
2 Table Lamps		Fun Party Lights	8/6/20
5 Drawer Chest - Matching Items In Other Listings		Elegco Smart Robot Car V4.0	8/6/20
6 Wooden Stools		Faux Wood Bookshelf 1	8/6/20
20ft Fiberglass Extension Ladder		Faux Wood Bookshelf 2	8/6/20
24 Pearl Strand		Faux Wood Storage Cabinet	8/6/20
		Fenton Cat	8/6/20