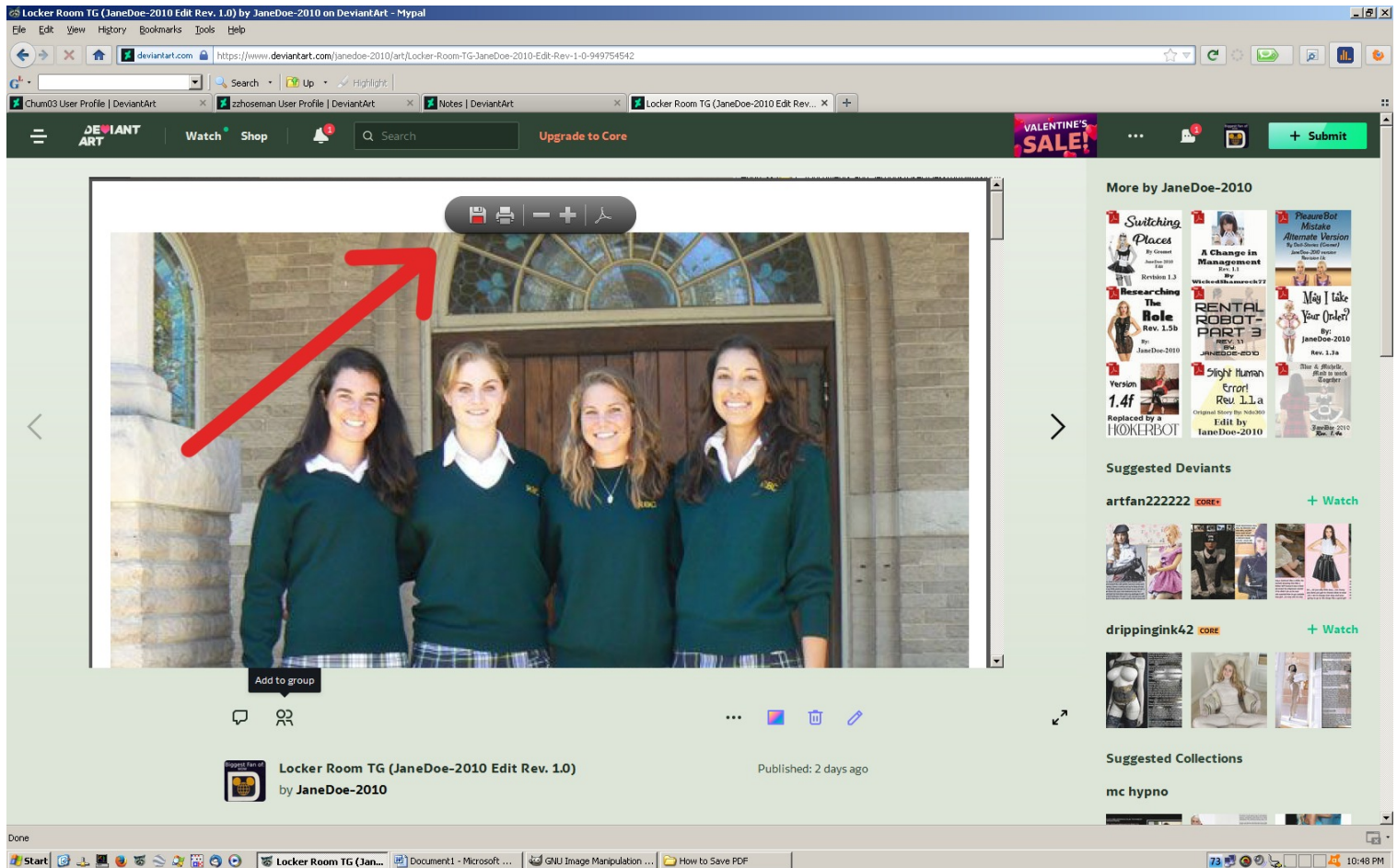


How to save a PDF document from Deviant Art, or most other sites, when the save button doesn't appear.

Step one go to a site you want to save, in my case it is my “Locker Room TG” story, see below, in this example I am using MyPal browser, but Firefox, or Chrome should work essentially the same.

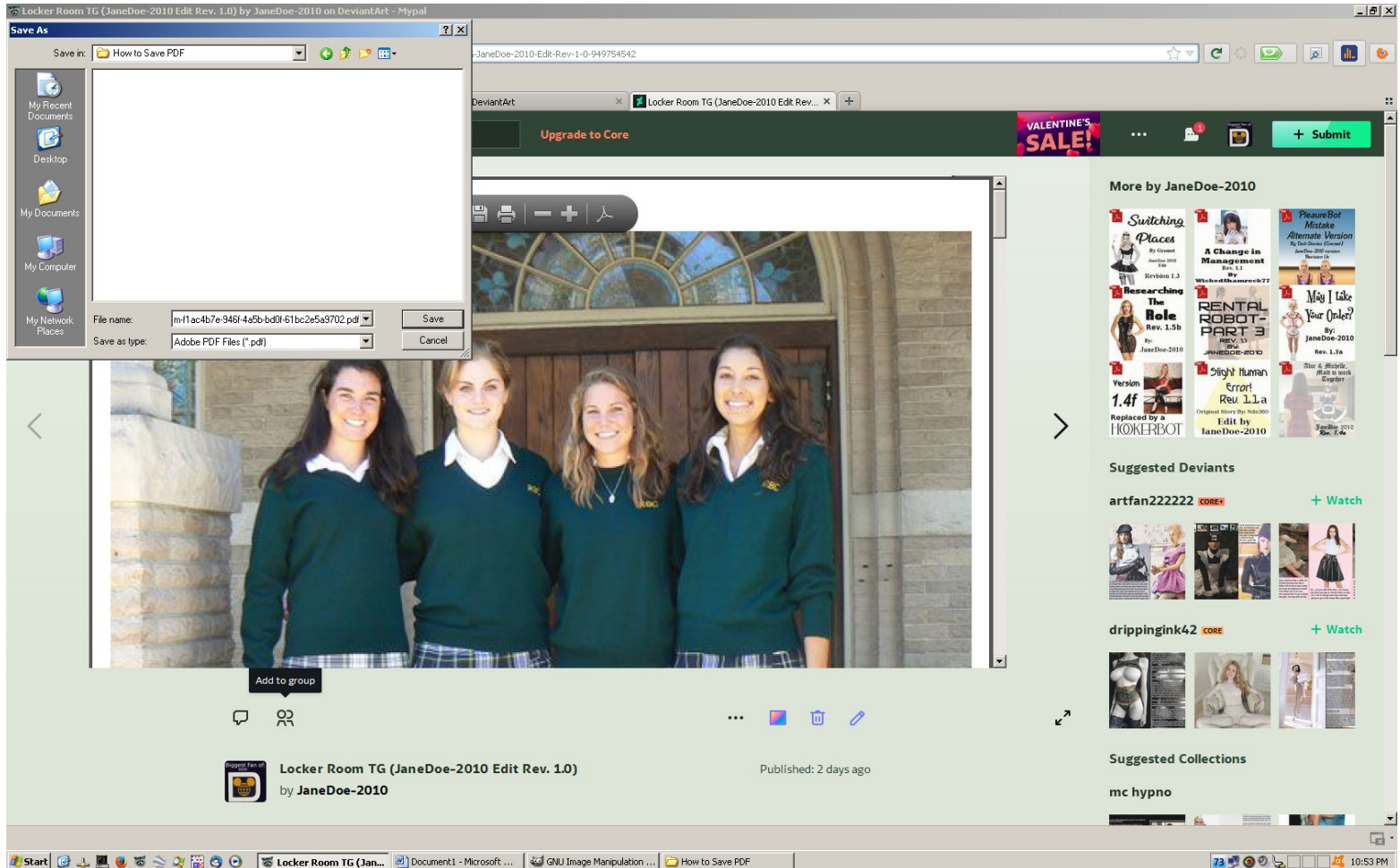
The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying a Deviant Art page. The browser's address bar shows the URL: <https://www.deviantart.com/janedoe-2010/art/Locker-Room-TG-JaneDoe-2010-Edit-Rev-1-0-949754542>. The page header includes the Deviant Art logo, navigation links (Watch, Shop), a search bar, and an 'Upgrade to Core' button. The main content area features a large photo of four young women in school uniforms standing in front of a stone building. Below the photo is a caption: 'Locker Room TG (JaneDoe-2010 Edit Rev. 1.0) by JaneDoe-2010'. The right sidebar contains a section 'More by JaneDoe-2010' with various story thumbnails, and a 'Suggested Deviants' section with more thumbnails. The browser's taskbar at the bottom shows the Start button, several open applications, and the system clock indicating 10:44 PM on 7/3.

Here is what you will look for, note that the disk icon does not have the red part; I added that to make it easy to find.



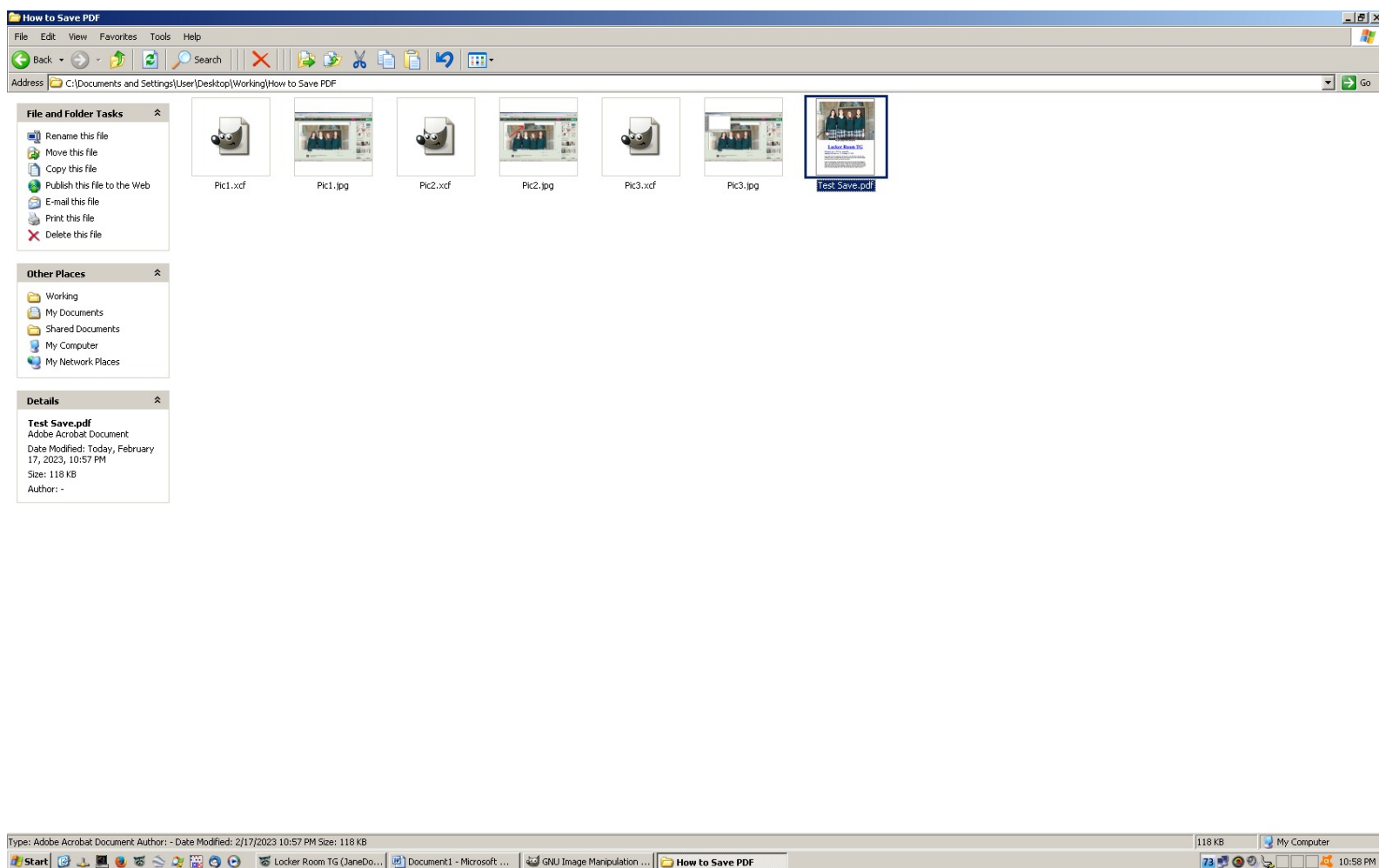
Once you click on the disk icon, you should get a save dialog.

Note that you will get a dialog box similar to this one, remember that I am using Windows XP so your dialog box may look a bit different than mine.



You may have noticed that the filename is some insanely long, seemingly random, string of characters followed by “.pdf.” You will want to change the filename to something that means something to you but be sure to keep the .pdf at the end, as that is what tells windows what program to use to open the file, in this case Adobe Acrobat, or Acrobat Reader.

Once you hit save, the file will be saved wherever you specified, for example,



In this example I called the file, “Test Save.pdf,” but again you can call it anything you wish.

Finally open the file with Adobe Acrobat, or the Acrobat Reader and enjoy.



I will admit that I don't know if you can edit the file, but I am pretty sure you can copy and paste, if so needed. Personally I don't add any kind of security to my works, but who knows what Adobe does!

Anyway, I hope this helps those of you who want to save PDF documents from Deviant Arts, I wish that it were easier, and it used to be. But ever since they updated their site, even though I click the "Free to Download" button, it never sticks. I wish that they would make that the default setting, giving the author the option of un-checking it, should they wish. But alas, this is not the way DA works, or more accurately, this is the way DA doesn't work!

Take care and stay safe, Jane.