Optically Centred Mounts

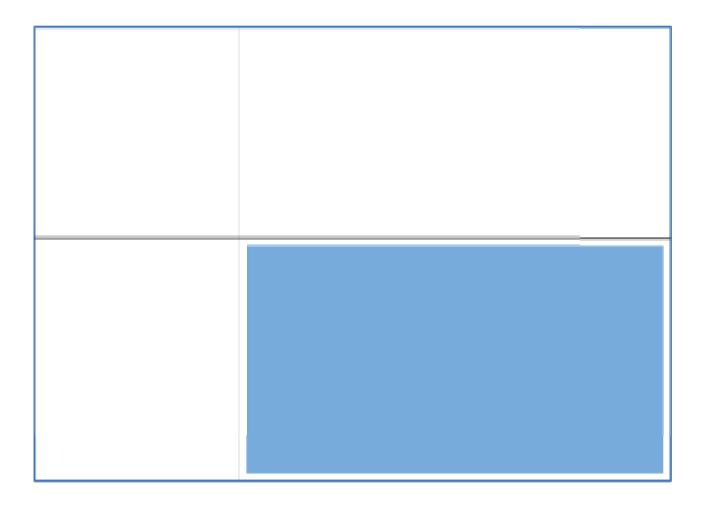
A pencil and ruler method, In conjunction with a mount cutter

 Optical centring is a technique which moves the mount window up slightly in the total border.

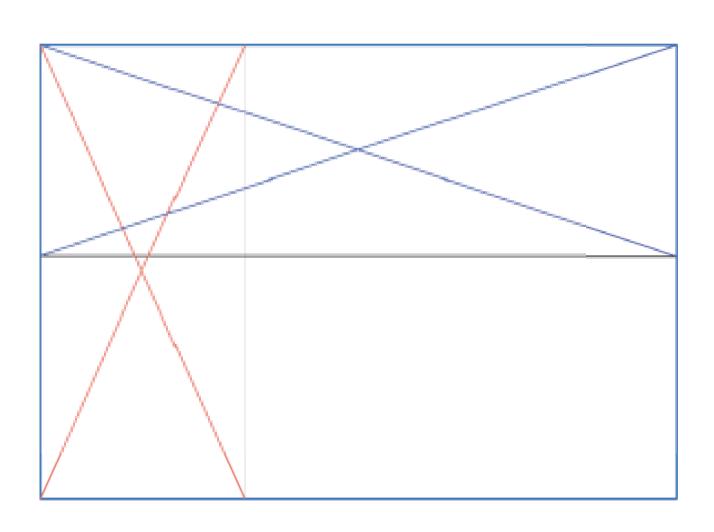
 Equal top and bottom margins look as though the picture is too low, optical centring is used to balance the appearance

Mark out the size of your window

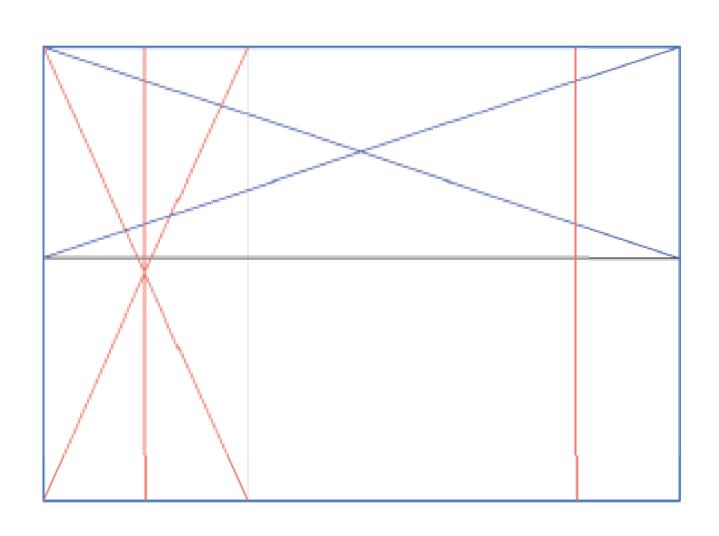
 Use your photo to set the window size in the CORNER of your mount board, pencil in the lines



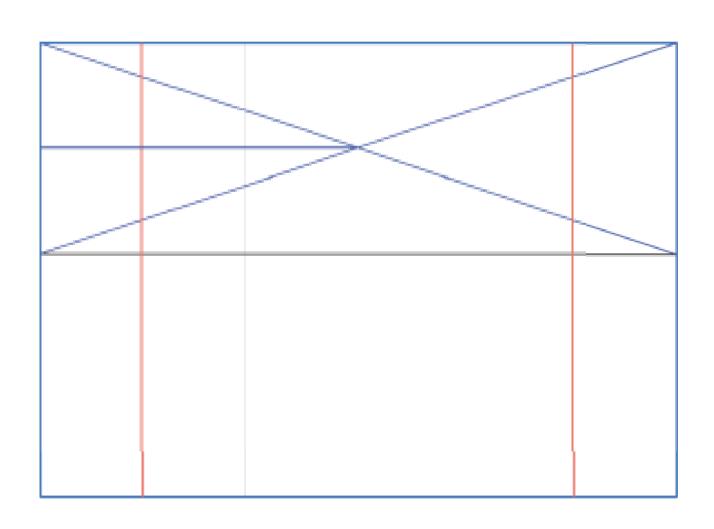
Draw diagonals to bisect the margins



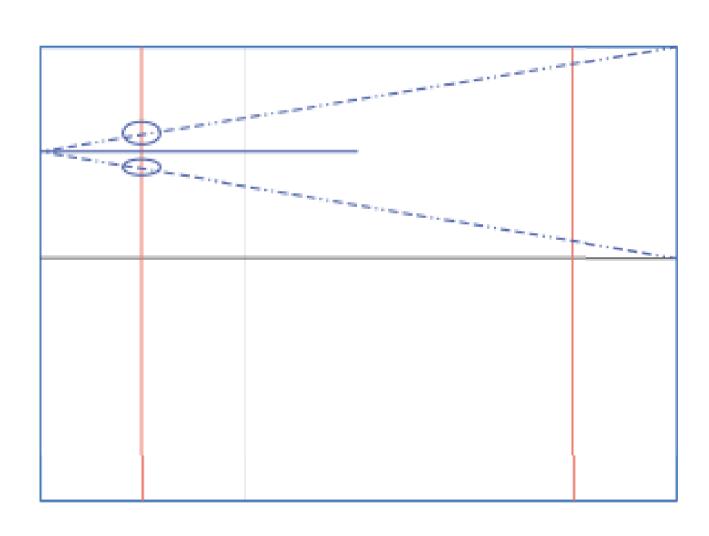
Use your mount cutter to mark the vertical, and it's stops to transfer the same width to the other side



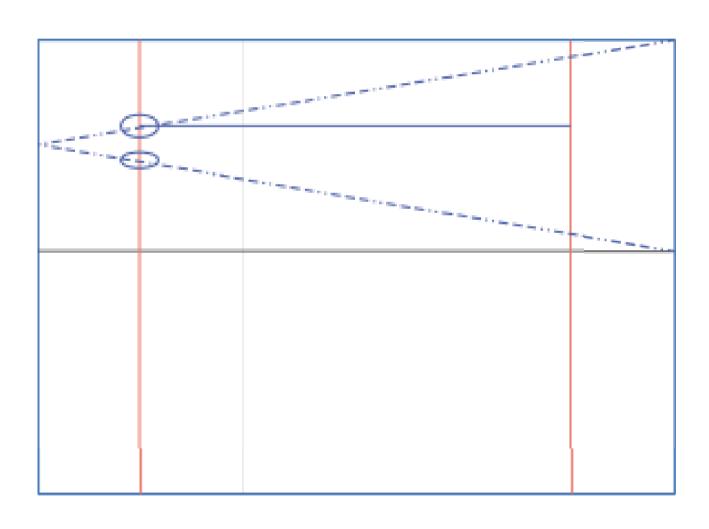
Transfer the center of the vertical space to the edge



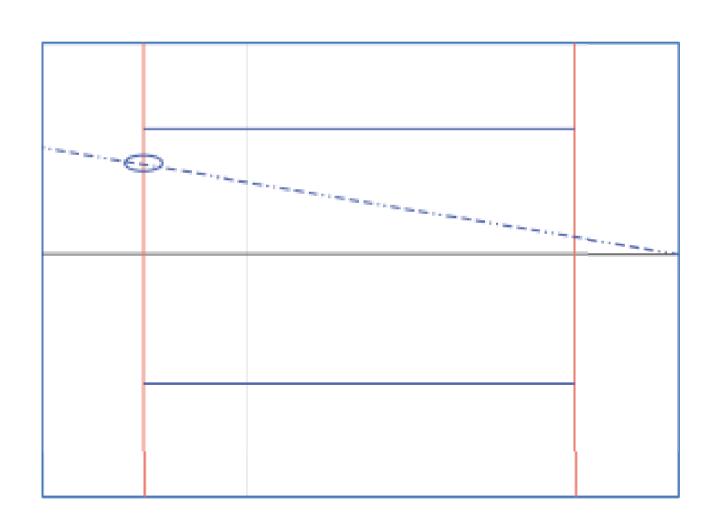
Draw in the intersections with the vertical lines



Top intersection is the line of the top of the window



Bottom intersection transferred gives the deeper bottom margin



Optically centred window ready to bevel cut

