Lesson Proper for Week 8

BACKGROUND COLOR

 If case you don't want to use an image as a background you can also use a color, there's a two different tool that you can use to apply a background color the **Paint Bucket Tool** and the **Gradient Tool**. But, before you apply a background color you must select first a color in our color picker. At the bottom part of our toolbox you can see a two different box; colored black and white. The upper part is the **foreground color** and lower part is the **background color**.

***Note:** the foreground color is the active color and the background color is reserve color. You can swap the color with the use of color switcher beside the icon. But if you want to change the color, simply click the foreground or background color and the dialog box which is the color picker will appear you can select the color you want.
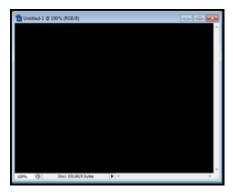

PAINT BUCKET TOOL

After you select an active color where going to apply a background color using *Paint Bucket Tool.* These tools simply fill the canvas or an image with monotone color.

- Select the paint bucket tool at the tool box.
- The cursor will change look like the icon itself then click to your canvas or object.
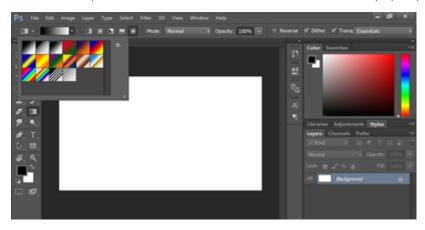
How to Use Gradient Tool in Photoshop

A gradient is a smooth color transition between two or more colors. Gradients make great backgrounds for product photography or advertisements. They can be a simple way to add some color and a professional look.

The Gradient tool lets you choose from preset options, or you can create your own custom gradient.

To create a gradient:

- Click the paint bucket icon. Hold it down until the menu pops up. Select "Gradient Tool."
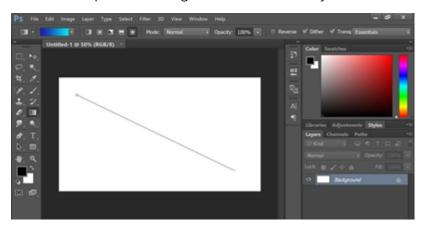

- Use the option menu that shows up under the main menu bar. If you click the dropdown menu, you'll find the preset gradients to choose from.

- You can also click the bar instead of the dropdown option. When you do this, the Gradient Editor will open. In this dialog box, you can choose one of the presets and make your own changes if you wish. If you double-click the colored stops that show up on the line below the "Smoothness" box, you can choose custom colors for a preset gradient pattern.

- Once you choose the gradient options you want, click OK. Now you can draw it onto your document by clicking the starting point, holding your mouse down, and dragging the line to the point where you want the gradient
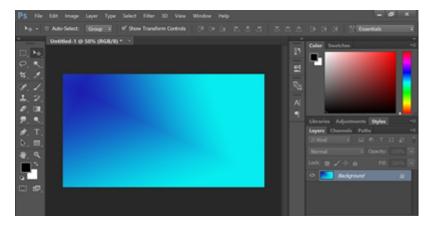
end. For example, if you want a diagonal gradient, you can click the top left corner of your document and drag to the bottom right corner.

- Photoshop will create a gradient that fills the layer.

In the top menu, you'll see five total gradient options:

1. Linear gradient: A straight line, which is the example above.
2. Radial gradient: A circular pattern, going outward symmetrically from the starting point.
3. Angular gradient: A counter-clockwise sweep going around your starting point.
4. Reflected gradient: A mirror linear gradient on both sides of your starting point.
5. Diamond gradient: A diamond pattern from middle to outer corners.

Radial Gradient   Shades from the starting point to the ending point in a circular pattern.

Reflected Gradient   Mirrors the same linear gradient on either side of the starting point.

Angular Gradient   Shades in a counterclockwise sweep around the starting point.

Diamond Gradient   Shades from the middle to the outer corners of a diamond pattern.

ADDING AN IMAGE TO A CANVAS IN PHOTOSHOP
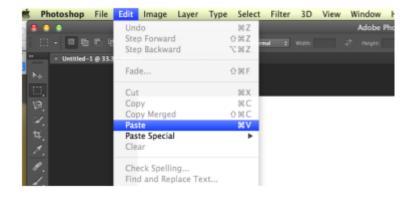
Method 1: Copy and Paste

(rasterized version - you will lose image quality when resizing)

Step 1: Find an image you want to add to your photoshop composition, use your mouse

to (control + click) then, select Copy.

Step 2: Go to the photoshop canvas which you want the picture added to and paste

(either from the Edit menu or using the command key ⌘ + v)

 Alternatively: You can open a new image in photoshop (⌘ + o), this will open the

image in a new tab. From here you can select the All of the image image (⌘ + a), and

then copy (⌘ + c) and paste (⌘ + v) as shown above.

Method 2 import an image

Once you create your canvas size and resolution, you may add an image to your canvas. Remember, once you open an image to adobe Photoshop it may have another canvas size.

To import an image Press the File tab – select open – a dialog box will appear - then choose your selected image then click open button at the bottom part. Once you open the image you may have two different canvases, your blank canvas and the image canvas. If you want to import your image at your blank canvas, you need to select the move tool - click the image then hold the mouse left button then drag the picture or image to your blank canvas then release the left button.
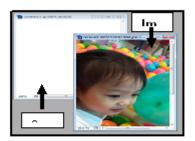
Note: To have a "ghosted" decrease the opacity level of the image layer at the layer palette.

Figure 23: *Importing Image to Canvas*

CROPPING IMAGE

Whether or not you change the size of your image, sooner or later you'll probably need to crop them or trim them to a certain size. Most people crop their photos for one of two reasons: if they usually cut away part of the image to make it fit on the paper or just to remove the unwanted portion of image. Photoshop make it easy to crop away distracting background objects or people you'd rather not see.
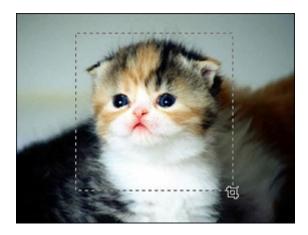
Selecting the Crop Tool

To crop an image in Photoshop, we use the Crop Tool which is found in the toolbar. The Crop Tool can also be selected from your keyboard by pressing the letter C:

- **Step 1.** Choose the **Crop** tool from the **Tool Panel** or press C.
- **Step 2.** Bring the cursor to a point on the image, where a corner of the cropped image will be, and left-click the mouse.
- **Step 3.** Moving the cursor diagonally, keep the left mouse button pressed.

Step 4. Release the left mouse button. A box will appear over the image with marked corners, indicating the area that will be preserved. This box can be moved, resized, and rotated.

- To move the crop box move the cursor completely inside the selected area, press the left mouse button, and while keeping the left mouse button pressed, drag the box.

- To change the size of the selected area move the cursor to one of the corner markers, press the left mouse button and drag the marker. If the cursor is dragged while pressing Shift, the size of the box will be changed proportionally.

- To rotate the crop box move the cursor to one of the corner markers and drag the cursor.

- **Шаг 5.** Press Enter (Return on Mac) or press the   button in the Options Panel to crop the image.
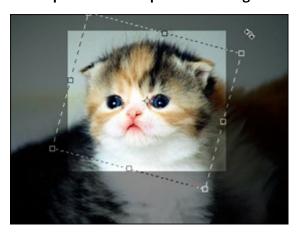
To close the crop box without cropping the image press Esc or press the   button in the Options Panel.

To crop an image with the **Crop** command from the Photoshop menu, follow these steps:

- **Step 1.** Choose the **Rectangular marquee** tool from the Tool Panel.
- **Step 2.** Select a rectangular area on the image **Selection Tools in Adobe Photoshop**).
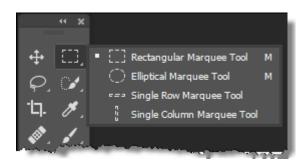- **Step 3.** Choose **Crop** from the **Image** menu.

MARQUEE TOOLS

There are several marquee tools that allow you to select areas in an image.

NOTE: *With any of the selection tools, you can hold shift to add to your selection, and hold option/alt to subtract from the selection.*

The Rectangular Marquee Tool

It makes a rectangular selection on your Photoshop image.

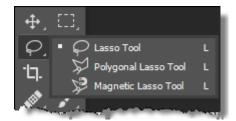**The Elliptical Marquee Tool**

It allows you to make a round selection.

The Single Row Marquee Tool

It makes a 1px horizontal selection that spans the total width of your image. This can be used to create a 1px repeating pattern for your website content.

The Single Column Marquee Tool

It makes a 1px vertical selection that spans the total height of your image. This can be used to create a 1px repeating pattern for your website content.

LASSO TOOLS

There are several lasso tools that also allow you to make selections.

Lasso Tool

The Lasso Tool lets you make loose selections around anything on a layer just like a lasso. It has the same options as the marquee tools.

Polygonal Lasso Tool

The Polygonal Lasso Tool allows you to make selections, but only in a linear way. That is, you can only draw straight lines for your selections.

Magnetic Lasso Tool

The Magnetic Lasso Tool allows you to drag your mouse over the edges of an image, it determines where the edges are, and anchor points are placed at regular intervals. This gives you a very close and controlled selection.

Quick Selection Tool

The Quick Selection Tool makes a selection based on the edges of objects. As it is with the name, it makes selections quickly, and you can just drag over the areas that you want to select.

II. Magic Wand Tool

The Magic Wand Tool makes a selection based on where you click your mouse. As with other selection tools, you can hold Shift to add to the selection and hold Option/Alt to take away from your selection.
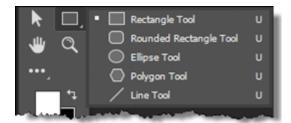
 Text Tool

The Text Tool is the main tool for creating your type in Photoshop.

Shape Tools

Different shape tools allow you to draw different shapes based on paths or vector shape layers, which gives you well-defined lines.
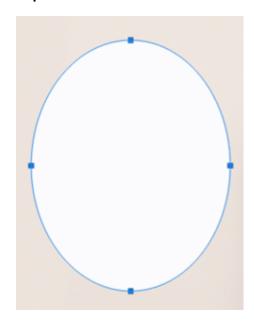

Rectangle Tool

The rectangle shape tool allows you to create a rectangle shape.

Rounded Rectangle Tool

The rounded rectangle shape tool allows you to create a rounded rectangle shape.

Ellipse Tool

The ellipse shape tool allows you to create a perfect rounded shape.

Polygon Tool

The polygon shape tool allows you to create a polygon shape.

Line Tool

The line tool allows you to create a straight-line shape.

Custom Shape Tool

The custom shape tool allows you to draw custom shapes.

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