# **How-To Guide:** Poster Printing

## **Checkout the Workstation**

#### Reserve the Workstation on Bookit!

Reservations are <u>required</u> for the poster printers

- · "Epson P9000 Poster Printer (Glossy/Luster/Vinyl)"
- · "Epson Stylus Pro 9880 Poster Printer (Matte)"
- **4.** Reserve the equipment for your expected **duration** of use.
  - · First timers should make their booking for at least one hour.

### 2. Check-in with the front desk to confirm your reservation.

- Failure to check-in causes your reservation to expire! This allows others to book the station.
- If you made this reservation ahead of time, tell the front desk staff that you made a booking for the poster printer when you arrive.

# **Preparing the Printer**

### 1. Ensure the printer is **powered on**.

- The printer might take a while to boot up, so do this first.
- If off, hold the power button for 1 second until the screen turns on.

### 2. Log into the iMac Workstation connected to the printer.

- Log in with the information taped on the front of the computer if you want to use the shared presets (including CVA custom paper size).
- If you want full control of your privacy and settings, log in with your JHED ID and MyJH password.

### 3. Ensure the desired type of paper is loaded into the printer.

· You can *double-check* the type of paper installed by looking at the *light reflected* off the roll.

#### Matte:

• The Matte-only Epson SP9880 should already be loaded with matte paper.

#### Glossy/Luster/Vinyl:

- The Epson SCP9000 screen should display the current type of paper loaded.
- If this is not the desired type, or if the type is not visible, please let the front desk know so we can swap out the roll.



4. Ensure the correct cut-option is set for your type of paper.

#### Matte/Glossy/Luster:

- Should be set to cut-roll, indicated by a **Roll & Scissors icon** on the screen.
- If you cannot see this icon, press the left-arrow button to change the cut-option.

#### Vinyl:

- Must be set to roll with NO cut, indicated by the **Roll icon w/out scissors** on the screen.
- · Press the left-arrow button to change the cut-option to "Roll Paper / No Cut"
- 5. Ensure the correct black-ink type is set for your type of paper.

#### Matte:

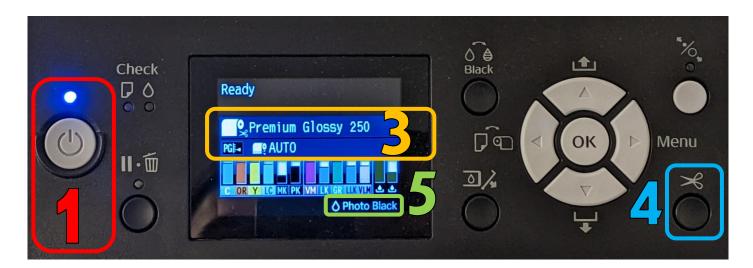
· Matte black is already set on the matte-only Epson SP9880.

#### Glossy/Luster:

- Should be set to "Photo Black", indicated on the bottom right of the screen.
- If not, press the top-left button to switch ink to "PK" aka "Photo Black".

#### Vinyl:

- Should be set to "Matte Black", indicated on the bottom right of the screen.
- · If not, press the top-left button to switch ink to "MK" aka "Matte Black".



You must now prepare your images using Adobe Photoshop. Refer to the separate Photoshop *How-To Guide* for assistance.

# **Print Settings**

- **1.** Open Adobe Photoshop and prepare your file.
- 2. Press  $\Re$  + option + i to verify the image size and resolution
  - · Or click "Image">"Image Size..."
  - 1. Resolution should be set to 300 pixels/inch.
  - 2. The Width and Height should be size of the desired print.
  - 3. If these are incorrect, refer to the Photoshop guide for help resizing your image.
- **4. Select the printer** you are using:
  - StylusPro9880-2329BF (IP) (Matte)
  - SC-P9000Series-D52B77 (IP) (Glossy/Luster/Vinyl)
- **5.** Select the **orientation** of your image on the paper roll.
  - Verify this is correct by looking at the print preview.
- **6.** Set "Color Handling" to "Photoshop Manages Colors"
- **7.** Select the **Printer Profile** based on the type of paper:

Glossy: "SC-P9000-P7000-

Series-LLK-

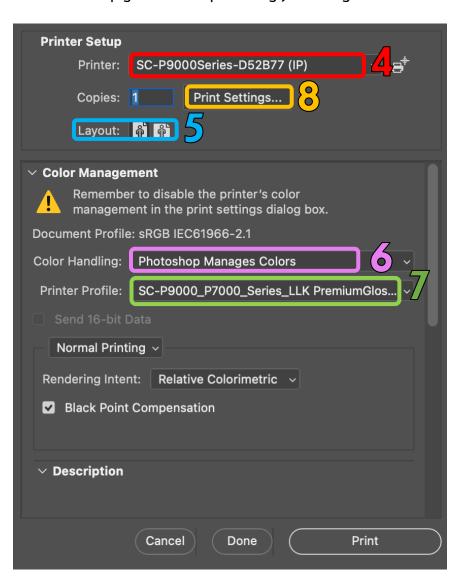
PremiumGlossyPhotoPaper250"

Luster: "SC-P9000-P7000-Series-LLK- PremiumLusterPhotoPaper260"

Matte: "Pro9880-7880 EMP\_MK"

Vinyl: No profile. In the previous step, change "Color Handling" to "Printer Manages Colors"

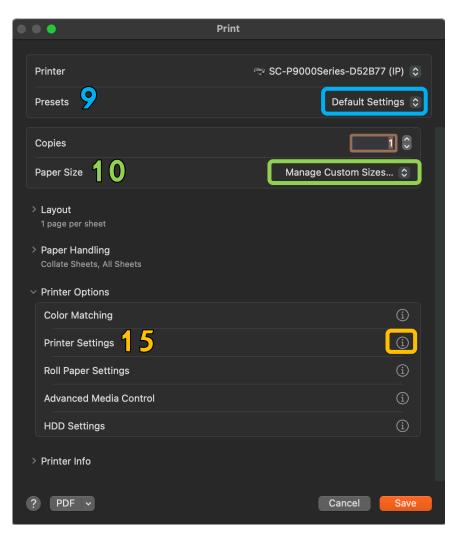
8. Click "Print Settings".



- 9. Set "Presets" to "Default Settings"
  - · If you cannot see these settings, click "Show Details"
- 10. Click "Paper Size" then "Manage Custom Sizes".
- **11.** Click the "+" to **create new** size.
- **12.** Set the "Margins" to "User Defined" and "O in" for each side.
- **13.** Determine the Poster **Width and Height**.
- If both dimensions < 43"</li>
  - Make the **height** the **smaller** dimension.
- If one dimension > 43", and one dimension443"
  - The bigger dimension should be the height, and the smaller dimension should be the width
- · if both dimension > 43"
  - This is too big. The roll is only 44" wide.
  - Resize your image so at least one dimension is 43" or less.
- **14.** Press "OK" to save the size.
- **15.** Select "Printer Settings" from the "Printer Options" menu.

#### **Example Sizes:**

- Desired: 25x35 ☐ Enter W:36, H:26
- · Desired: 40x50 ☐ EnterW:41, H:55



- **NOTE**: This doesn't correspond to your image's orientation. Please read the details below to avoid misprints.
- The **Height** is equal to the **number of inches** unrolled.
  - This determines the cost of your print.
  - · There is no maximum height.
- The Width is along the 44" side of the roll.
  - The maximum Width is 44"
  - This means the maximum image dimension is 43"
- You **must add 1 inch** to **both** dimensions (for print margins).

- 16. Set the "Page Setup" to "Roll Paper Banner"
- **18.** Set the "Media Type" based on your type of paper:

**Glossy**: "Premium Glossy Photo Paper (250)"

**Luster**: "Premium Luster Photo Paper (260)"

**Matte**: "Enhanced Matte

Paper"

**Vinyl**: "Enhanced Synthetic Paper"

**18.** Ensure "Output Resolution" is set to

"SuperPhoto - 1440 dpi"

- **19. If Vinyl** type paper is being used:
  - Change "Output Resolution" to "Fine - 720 dpi".
  - · Select "Color Matching" from the center dropdown menu, and select "Epson Color Controls".
- **20.** Take a **screenshot** of this page.
  - 1. Press  $\Re$  + Shift + 3
  - 2. Save it to the **Desktop**.
- 21. Ask the front desk staff to look your screenshot.



# **Print & Finish**

- 1. Click "Print" in Photoshop in the Printer Setup menu.
- Initially look through the printer window to ensure everything is printing correctly
- 3. Wait for your print to finish
  - · This usually takes about 15-30 mins.
  - · Now is a great time to **reload your J-cash**.
  - · You are free to leave the lab and come back.
- 4. Be careful of wet ink and fingerprints when handling finished prints
- 5. You can trim your print using the large paper cutter.
  - · Note that the clear guide isn't aligned to where it will cut!
    - · Instead, look at the metal edge underneath the cutter.
  - Use the **paper weights** so your print doesn't move as you cut.

# **Pay and Checkout**

- Determine the cost.
  - · See the front desk for our pricing menu.
  - · Multiply the inches of roll used by the cost per inch.
- 2. Ensure you have enough J-Cash to pay for all your prints.
  - · The DMC only accepts J-Cash.
  - Reload J-Cash using the e-accounts app or in-browser by scanning the QR code at the front desk.
- Pay at the front desk.
  - · Just tell the staff that you would like to pay for your poster.
- 4. If you are all done, let the front desk know
  - This is so we can check the station back in, and to prevent sending you an inaccurate late fine email
- 5. Remember to log out of the computer and to take all your things.