



# RWD

## Class 6

# Sketching Assignment Updates



# Design Survey

<http://tools.subtraction.com>



# Overview

**Sketching Assignment + Review (20 min)**

**CSS (25 min)**

**CSS Assignment (10 min)**

**CSS Hands-On (45 min)**

**Break (10 min)**

**Design Patterns / Process (30 min)**

**TypeCast Hands On (15 min)**

**Sketch Hands On (15 min)**



# CSS

## Cascading Style Sheets



# Block Elements

Start on new line

`<h1>-<h6>, <p>, <div>`



# Inline Elements

Flow Within the Text

*<img>, <em>, <b>, <i>, <span>*



## The Cottage Garden

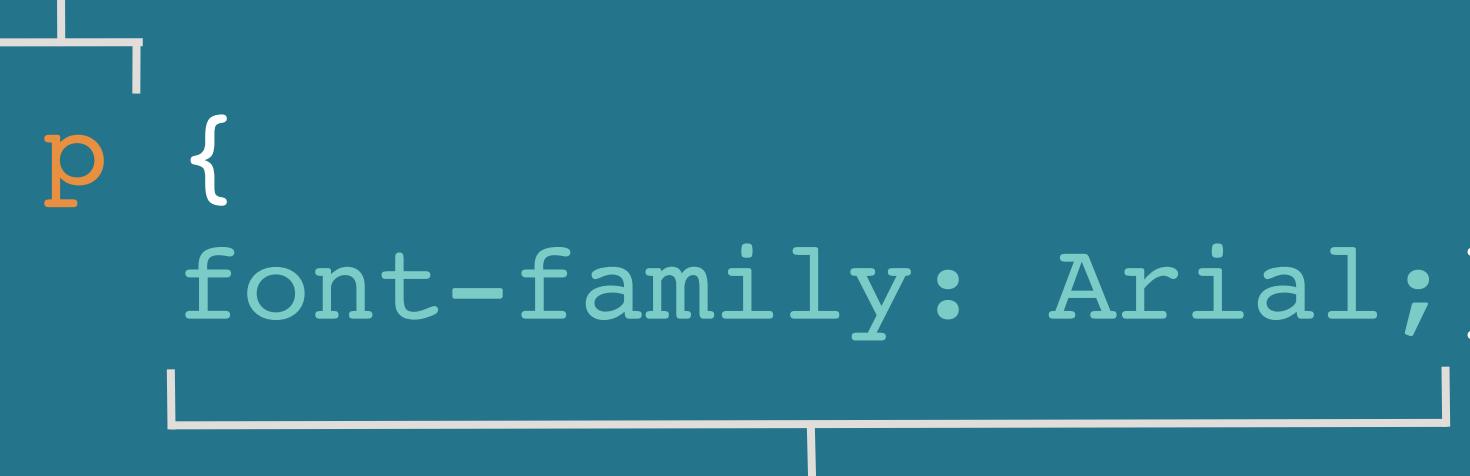
The *cottage garden* is a distinct style of garden that uses an informal design, dense planting and a mixture of ornamental and edible plants.

The Cottage Garden originated in [England](#) and its history can be traced back for centuries, although they were re-invented in 1870's England, when stylized versions were formed as a reaction to the more structured and rigorously maintained [English estate gardens](#).

The earliest cottage gardens were more practical than their modern descendants, with an emphasis on vegetables and herbs, along with some fruit trees.



# CSS Associates Style Rules With HTML Elements

SELECTOR  


```
p {  
    font-family: Arial;  
}
```

DECLARATION



# CSS Associates Style Rules With HTML Elements

```
h1, h2, h3 {  
    font-family: Arial;  
    color: yellow; }  
  
PROPERTY VALUE
```



```
<h1>From Garden to Plate</h1>
<p>A <i>potager</i> is a French term for
an ornamental vegetable or kitchen
garden...</p>
```

```
<h2>What to Plant</h2>
<p>Plants are chosen as much for their
functionality as for their color and
form...</p>
```



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### What to Plant

Plants are chosen as much for their functionality as for their color and form. Many are trained to grow upward. A well-designed potager can provide food, cut flowers and herbs for the home with very little maintenance. Potagers can disguise their function of providing for a home in a wide array of forms - from the carefree style of the cottage garden to the formality of a knot garden.



```
body {  
    font-family: Arial, Verdana, sans-serif;}
```

```
h1, h2 {  
    color: #ee3e80;}
```

```
p {  
    color: #665544;}
```



## From Garden to Plate

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# Making the Link

CSS can be added as part of the HTML document (internally) or as a separate .css file (externally)



# Making the Link

It is best practice to use external CSS.

That way, the same sheet can be shared by multiple pages and you only have to make changes in one place.



# Making the Link

Use the <link> element in the  
<HEAD> to make the link  
between the HTML and CSS.



```
<html>
  <head>
    <title>Using External CSS</title>
    <link href="css/styles.css"
          type="text/css"
          rel="stylesheet">
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1>Potatoes</h1>
    <p>There are dozens of...</p>
  </body>
</html>
```



# CodePen & CSS

CodePen makes the link between  
HTML and CSS automatically.  
Regular HTML will not.



# What You Can Style (Selectors)

Universal

\* { }

Type

h1, h2, h3 { }

Class

.note {}  
p.note {}

ID

#introduction {}



# What You Can Style (Selectors)

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Child

`li>a {}`

---

Descendent

`p a {}`

---

Adjacent sibling

`h1+p {}`

---

General sibling

`h1~p {}`

---



# The Cascade

```
* {  
  font-family: Arial;  
  color: #333333;}  
  
h1 {  
  font-family: "Courier New", monospace;}  
  
i {color: green;}  
i {color: red;}  
  
p b {color: blue !important;}  
p b {color: violet;}
```



# The Cascade

Last Rule Takes Precedence

More Specific Rule Takes Precedence

!important overrides everything else



# Inheritance

Some rules are inherited by their children (font-family for example).

Others are not (background-color)



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# Potatoes

There are *dozens* of different **potato** varieties.

They are usually described as early, second early and maincrop potatoes.



# Browsers

Browsers interpret CSS in different ways.

You must test in all browsers before launching a web project.



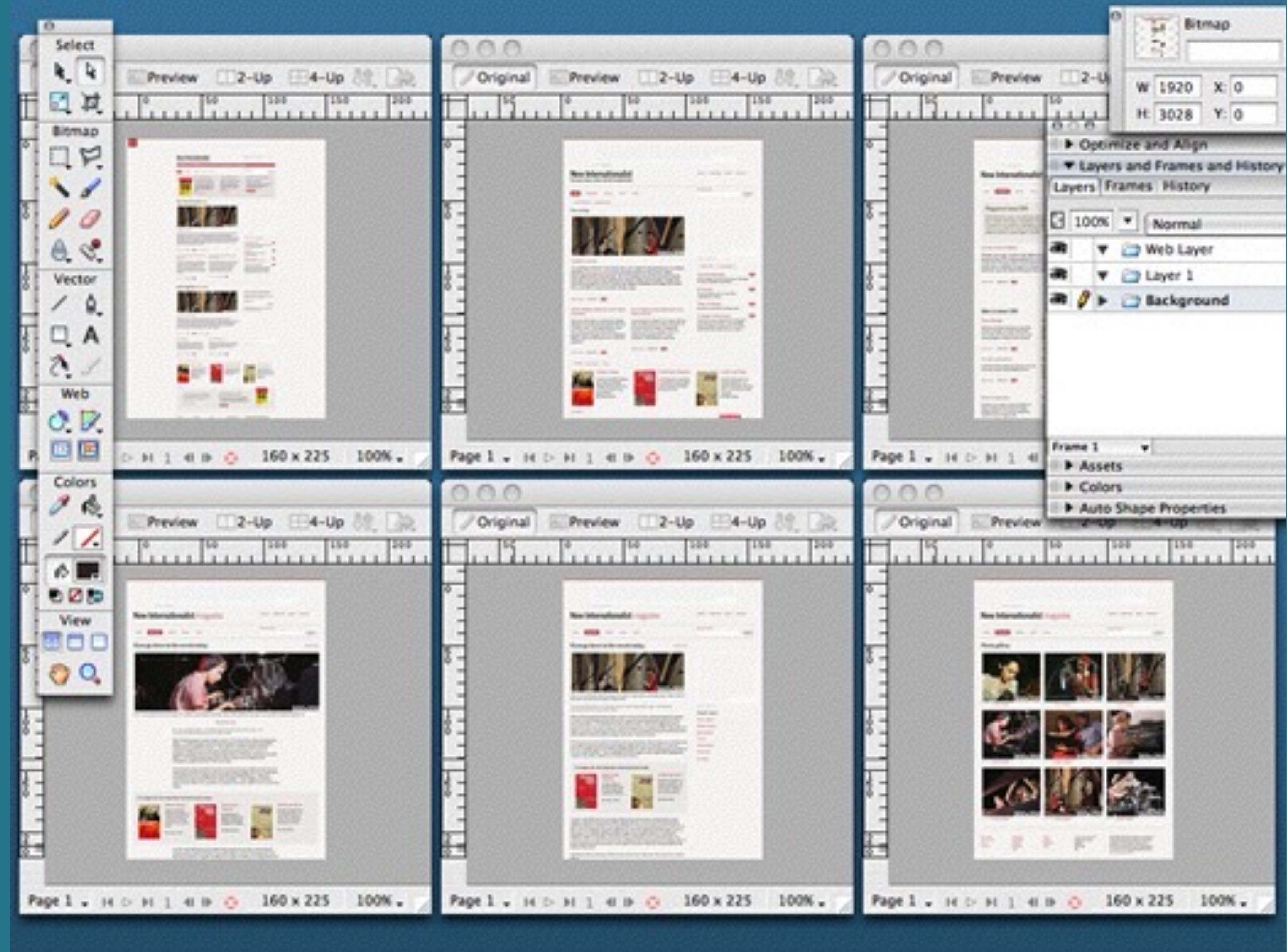
# CSS Assignment + Hands On

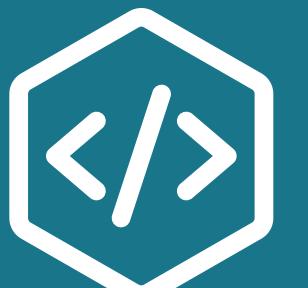
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# Visual Design Process on the Web







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Interior Page

News Article

Home Page

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Home Page

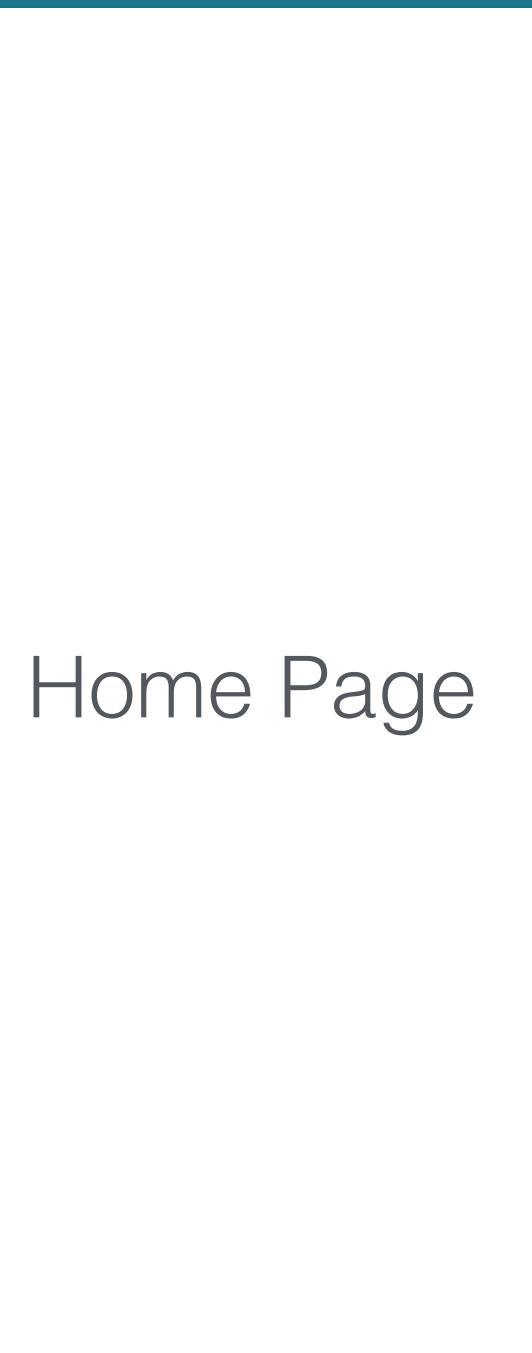
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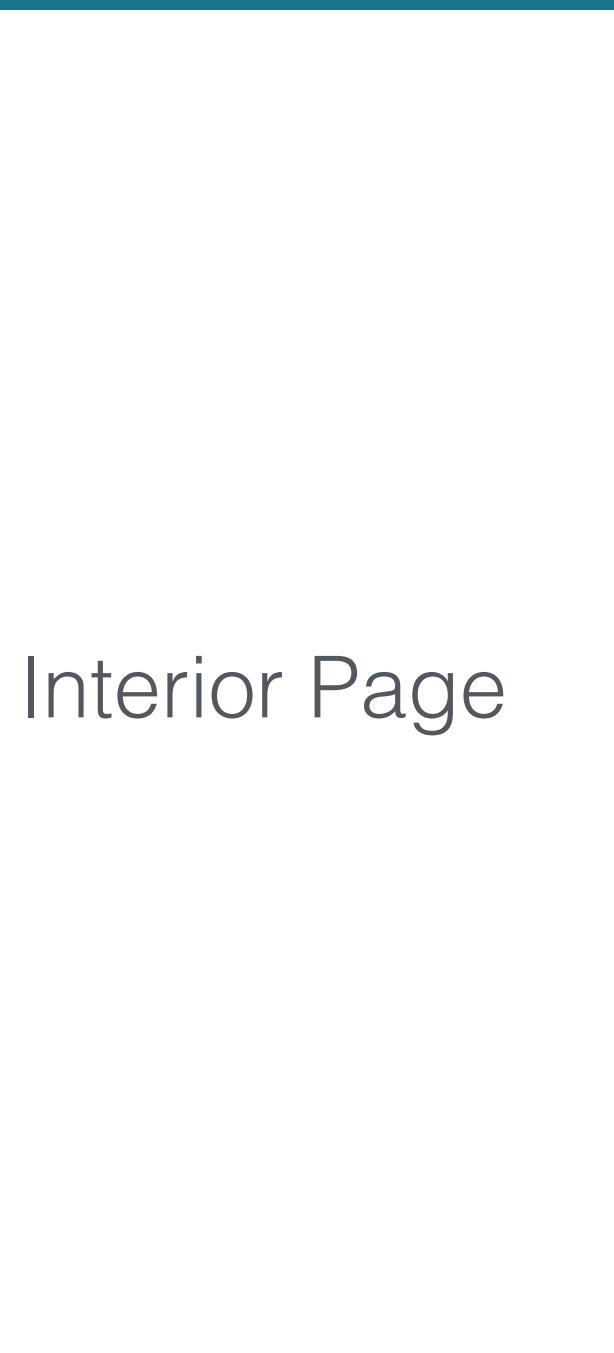
Interior  
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Home Page



Interior Page



News Article



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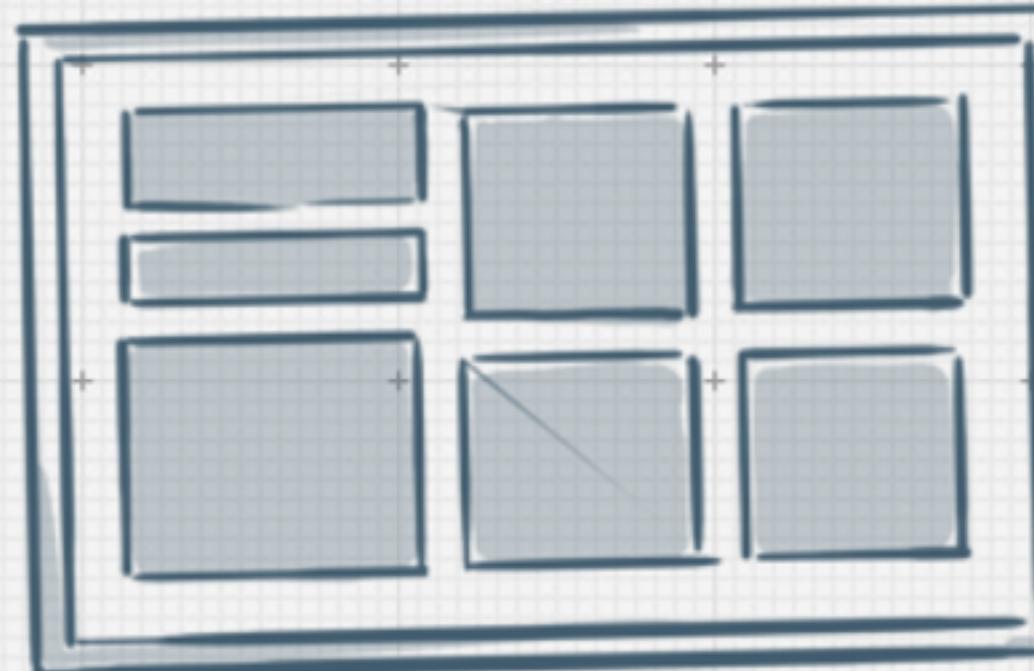
# Style TILES

A Visual Web Design Process *for Clients & the Responsive Web*

## ■ WHAT ARE STYLE TILES? ■

Style Tiles are a design deliverable consisting of fonts, colors and interface elements that communicate the essence of a visual brand for the web.

They help form a common visual language between the designers and the stakeholders and provide a catalyst for discussions around the preferences and goals of the client.



DOWNLOAD TEMPLATE 

Style Tiles are similar to the paint chips and fabric swatches an interior designer gets approval on before designing a room. An interior designer doesn't design three different rooms for a client at the first kick-off meeting, so why do Web designers design three different webpage mockups?

Present clients with interface choices without making the investment in multiple photoshop mockups.

## ■ WHEN TO USE STYLE TILES? ■

**“Style tiles are a flexible starting point that define a style to communicate the web in a way clients understand. A style tile is more refined than a traditional mood board and less detailed than a website mockup or comp.”**

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*Samantha Warren, Style Tiles and How They Work*



<http://alistapart.com/article/style-tiles-and-how-they-work>



# Election Headline

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## Election Subhead

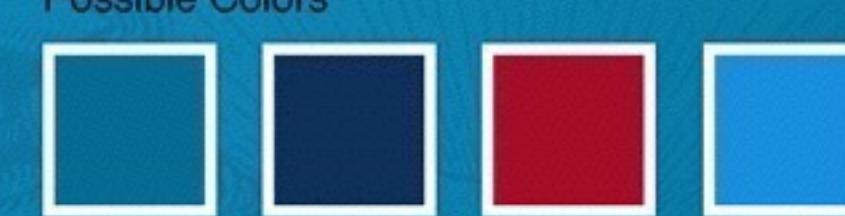
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**Possible Colors**



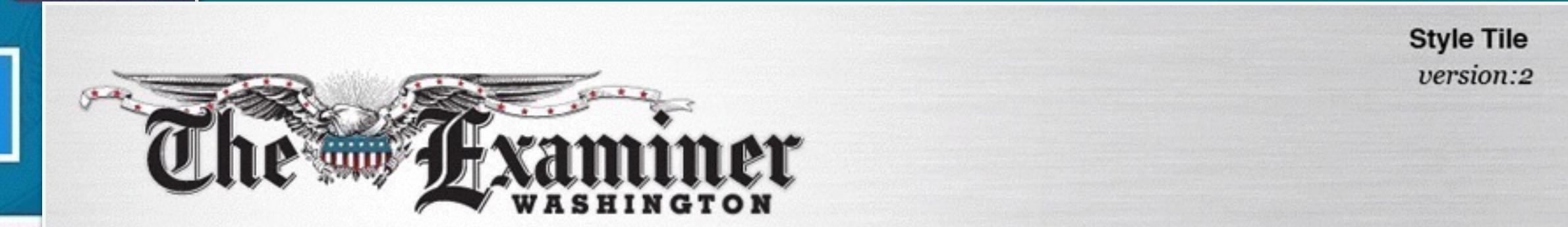
**Possible Patterns**



2011 Election  
Running President  
Posted by James Jot

**Accessible Person  
Reliable Invite  
Modern Friend**

**Style Tile**  
**version:3**



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**Possible Colors**



**Possible Patterns**



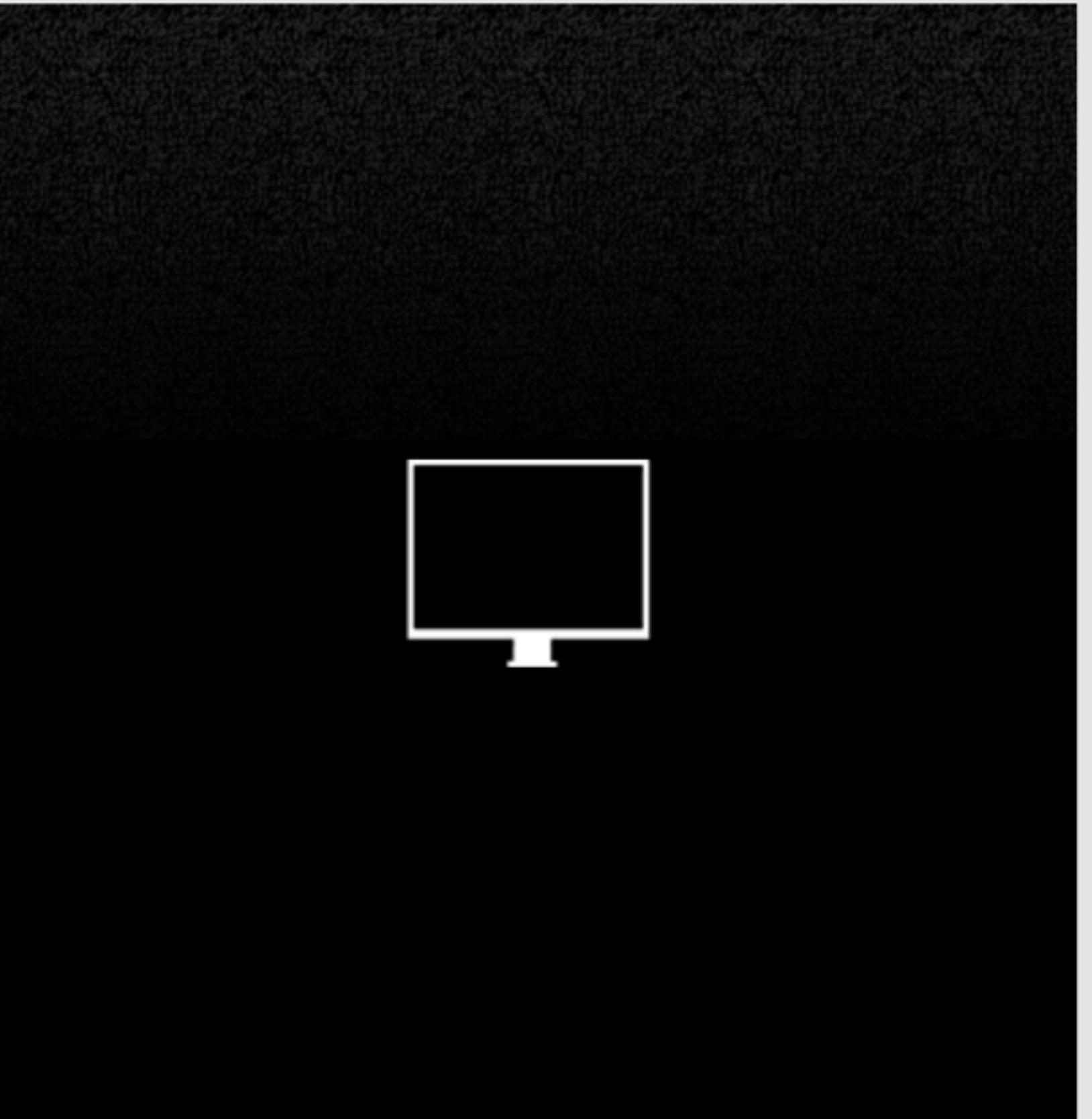
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ACE CONTACT  
The Race Making a Difference in the Election  
Posted by James Johnson

**Authoritative Solid  
Insightful Conservative**

**Style Tile**  
**version:2**



Hey There



**“...the goal of a Style Prototype is to allow a client to get a visual summary of a site’s proposed design direction without the time investment of creating multiple pages of Photoshop comps or fully developing HTML pages.”**

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*Jeremy Lloyd: Our New Responsive Design Deliverable: The Style Prototype*



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[http://seesparkbox.com/foundry/our\\_new\\_responsive\\_design\\_deliverable\\_the\\_style\\_prototype](http://seesparkbox.com/foundry/our_new_responsive_design_deliverable_the_style_prototype)

“The web affords us a wonderful opportunity: to be able to design and test a design in the actual medium for which we’re designing. It’s time to stop designing pictures of websites and start designing all aspects of the user experience simultaneously and in a practical way.”

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*Stephen Hay. “Responsive Design Workflow”*



# Design Process

Style Tile (for feedback) and Light Mockups in Static Design Tool

Begin prototyping in the browser.

Jump back to static tool when needed until you have a final prototype.



# How Can We Better Understand the Client's Aesthetic Preferences?



# How Can Style Tiles Increase Efficiency and Improve the End Product?



What are the advantages of  
prototyping in the browser  
(as opposed to  
Photoshop)?



# “Designing is coding is designing”

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*Matt Griffin, Responsive Comping: Obtaining Signify without Mockups*



<http://alistapart.com/article/responsive-comping-obtaining-signoff-with-mockups>

# Intro to TypeCast and Sketch



# TypeCast & Sketch Hands-On

