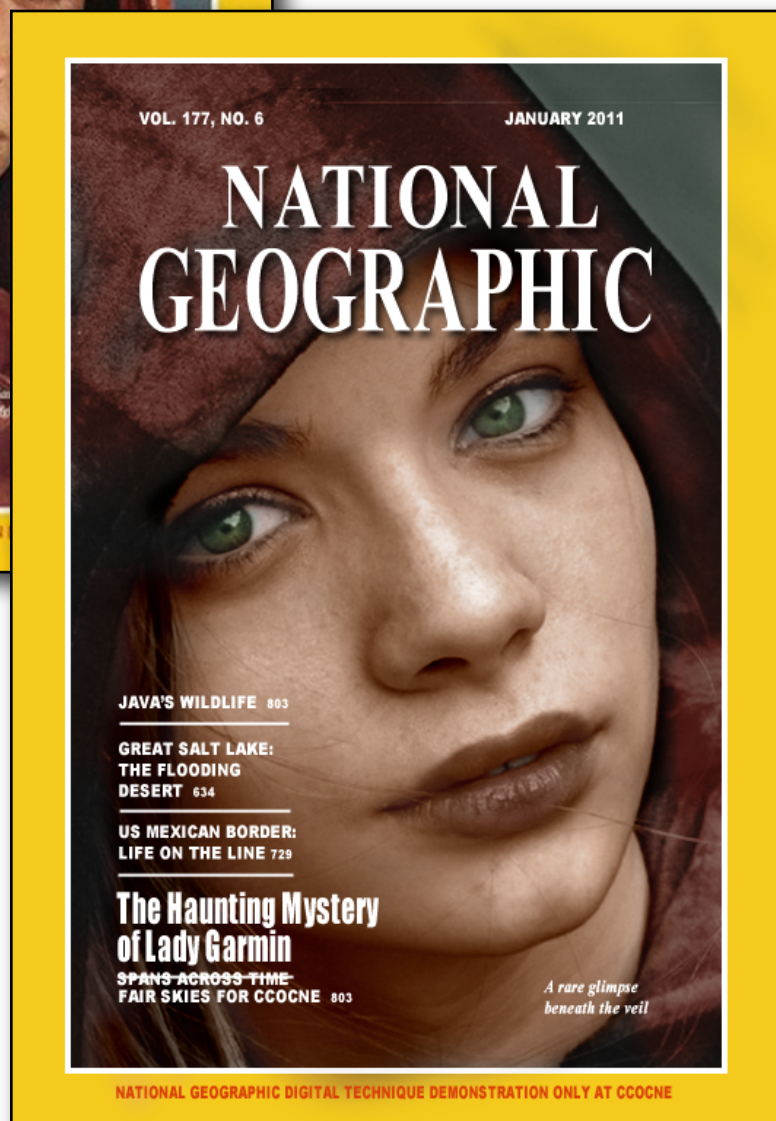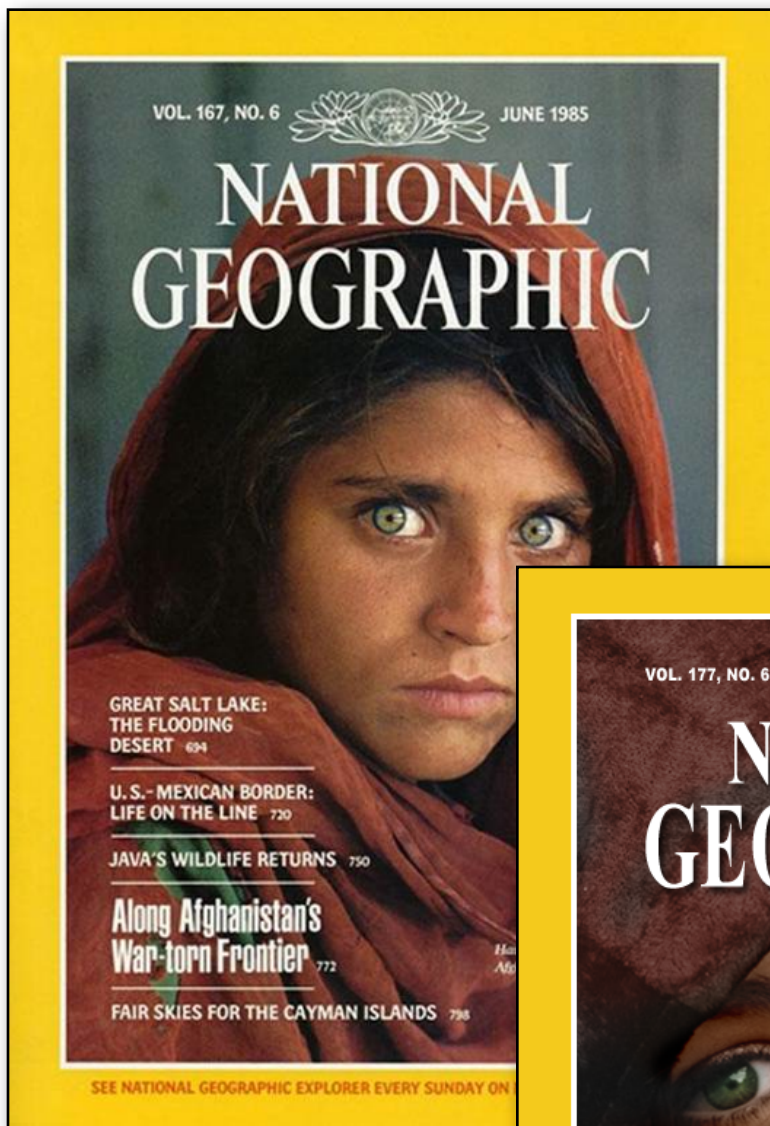CCOCNE Digital Technique for January - Create a National Geographic Cover

Directions are for Photoshop CS1. Location of your menus may vary.

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1. Open supplied file named NatGeo.jpeg

2. Using the eyedropper tool, click on the yellow border to choose the background color.

3. From the Select menu, choose All, and from the Edit menu, choose Copy.

4. From the File menu, choose New, and then click OK.

5. From the Edit menu, choose Fill, select foreground color, and hit OK

6. From the Edit menu, choose Paste. The original cover will cover the background.

7. In the Layers palette, set the Opacity slider to 49. The original cover is now dimmed.

8. Set the foreground color to White, by hitting the foreground color icon, and White.

9. Using the text tool, type in all caps the word National, font 60 pt Times.

10. Using the move tool, position the type in place over the original magazine cover

11. Repeat steps 9 and 10 but type in the word Geographic in 64 point Times.

12. From the Edit Menu, Choose Transform, Scale & stretch to proper height. Hit return

13. Repeat Steps 9 and 10 for the rest of the text, using appropriate font size.

14. I found 12 pt Arial Black to be a close match for some, and 27 pt Impact for others

15. From the Layer menu, choose New, then Layer and hit Ok.

16. Using the Line Tool set to a width of 2, draw one of the horizontal lines in position.

17. Repeat steps 15 and 16 as needed

18. Open the photograph you wish to use for your cover. Repeat step 3.

19. Return to NatGeo.jpeg file by clicking on the file. Then select Layer 1 (original girl)

20. Using rectangular marquee tool, drag a selection to the size of the girl's photo.

21. From the Edit Menu choose Paste Into

22. From the Layer Menu, choose Layer Style, then Stroke.

23. In the dialog box that appears, set size to 2, Position Inside, and set color to White

24. Hit Ok. If photo is too large, resize photo using Transform Tool (as in Step 12) but holding down shift key to constrain proportions.

25. Adjust position of text as appropriate to fit your photo by using the move tool

26. Turn off Layer 1 by clicking off the eyeball in front of the layer in layer palette.

27. Edit the text copy making it relevant to your own photo.

28. Save file with new name and then save as jpeg

29. If your photo doesn't work out, delete the photo layer and start again on Step 18.