



## VIST 474

### CSS Zen Garden Project

### Weeks 12-13

Study web pages designed by the CSS Garden in preparation for your page. Create your own visual concepts for page design. Remember that the VISUAL effect of all these pages are predominantly dictated by the images/graphics used on the pages; layout, etc., and presents the content (images/words etc.) in ways that make for interest. Create and/or download images as you need them.

Use the HTML file “**index.html**” – Style the page: you create the concept you want to present with this content and bring it to fruition. You may use any layout style you wish. I do want to see you using two (but not more than four) different font styles. **DO NOT CHANGE THE HTML FILE IN ANY WAY.** Note the file has at the end 6 blank divs in which you can use and set images that you can position any you wish. Remember, you can use background images for the divs so you don’t have to modify the html document.

Use the style sheet file “**style.css**” – this document is the current default css style sheet. Obviously you will need to modify it significantly for your own design, this will include the layout.

Create or download/edit whatever graphics you wish to use. In your final folder (that you hand in), you will want the HTML file (index.html) and your CSS file (style.css) and whatever graphics files you create (store them in the images directory).

Rename and submit your folder lastname-firstname-css-zengarden, where firstname and lastname are your name.; “zip” the file and turn your zip file into eCampus

A link that you could use for images is: <http://www.freeimages.com> – Make sure after you download and/or create graphics for the page, do NOT include the originals large files, but only the files that you have made to size that will actually appear in your page (remember to use “Save for Web” to get the file size the smallest possible).

References to look things up:

Designs: <http://www.mezzoblue.com/zengarden/alldesigns/>

Book: the Zen of CSS design: visual enlightenment for the web by dave shea and molly e. holzschlag

pages talked about in Shea’s book: <http://www.mezzoblue.com/zengarden/book/links/>