Feathering

Welcome to the *Feathering tutorial*. This tutorial was designed to teach you how to feather selection and create an overall "angelic" look to your photos. (Great for wedding photos) If you need help with it, or find it confusing, don't hesitate to e-mail me, the information is at the bottom of the page.



1 Grab the photo to the left, or grab you own, preferably a photo of someone in which you want to disclose the surroundings and leave the focus on the face.

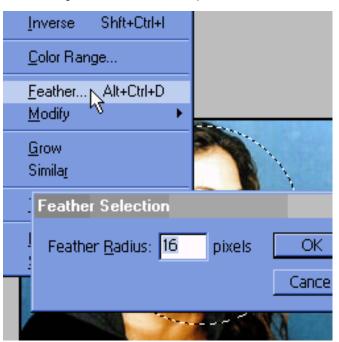


Make a circular selection around the face by using the **Elliptical Marquee** tool in the toolbar.

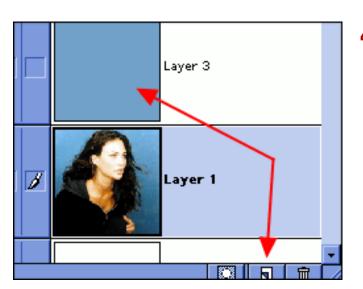
Quick Tip!

Hold down the **Shift** key on your keyboard to create an exact circle. (This also apples for the Rectangular Selection tool)

Feathering Selections in Photoshop 5.5



Once your selection has been made, from the main menu, choose **Select>Feather**, this will bring up the Feather Selection dialog box. Input a value of 16 pixel to be feathered, then click **OK**. Now you have a feathered selection.



Next, create a new layer by clicking the Create New Layer button in the layers palette. () Fill the layer with a color similar to the background of the original photo, I chose the following settings;

R: 115 **G:** 163 **B:** 200



Now you have a feathered image! Congrats, you're done!

Discussion

If you have any questions, or there are any steps that I can further elaborate on, don't hesitate to e-mail me using the information below.

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