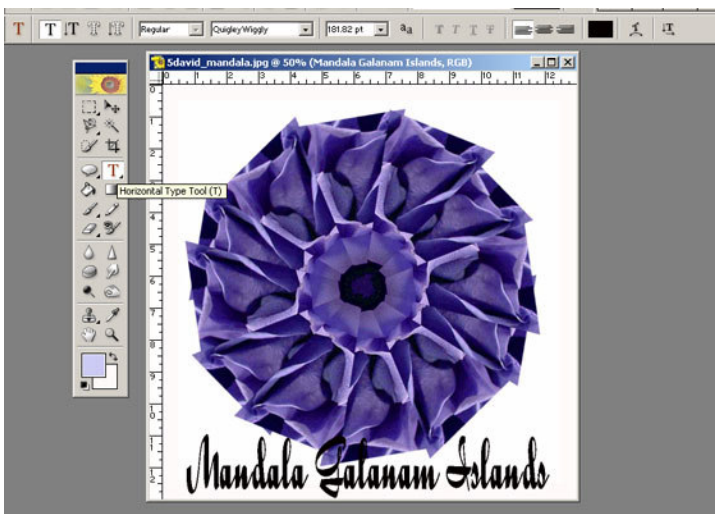


Artistamp Sheet Assignment

Digital Technique: The purpose of this assignment is to create a postage stamp from an imaginary country. Include the name of your country, a monetary value and some images, people or symbols that represent your country. You will use the photo package printing option in addition to the text and paint tools and layers. You will be using tools that you have learned in all previous lessons.

1. Open **Adobe Photoshop Elements**.
2. First you will want to create your stamp. You can either begin with an image from one of your previous projects or create something entirely new.
 - a. **BROWSE** for images. Open the **PERF.PSD** file, this will be your stamps edge. Also open any images you plan to layer together for your stamp.
 - b. You will need to **UNLOCK** the background of any image in which you want to use transparent backgrounds. Do this in your **LAYERS** tab.
 - c. Use your **EDIT → COPY → PASTE** tools to move images to your PERF file. You may want to use the **MAGNETIC LASSO TOOL** to carefully outline individual objects. You may also want to use **FILTERS** and the **OPACITY** feature in **LAYERS** to add character and depth to your image.



3. Once you have a nice arrangement of images add some text using the **TEXT TOOL**. You will notice all option such as font, size, color and alignment all open to you once you start typing with the text tool. After you finish typing you can use the **MOVE TOOL** to rearrange the size or position of the text. Remember to hit the **MOVE**

TOOL again when you are done with the text. You will want to add the country name and the value with separate **TEXT** boxes.

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- Once you are completely satisfied with your image and your text, make sure the **PERF** image is the TOP layer. Move it in your layers view.
- Once your stamp image looks seamless, Go to **LAYERS → FLATTEN IMAGE**.
- Now you are ready to create an entire SHEET of stamps. Go to **FILE → PRINT LAYOUTS → PICTURE PACKAGE**. In this pop-up box select the

following settings in DOCUMENT:

- Page Size = 8x10
- Layout: (20) 2x2
- Resolution: 72

7. Once you hit OK, the computer will automatically duplicate and format your sheet. Watch and Wait until it is finished.

8. Finally go to **FILE → PRINT PREVIEW** and change the **Scaled Print Size** to 90%. Instead of choosing **PRINT**, select **OK**, then save this document in your file.

9. When you are done, REMEMBER TO

FILE --> SAVE AS JPEG, IN THE FORMAT DROP-BOX, use our class digital assignment naming pattern and find the correct FOLDER to save in.

