ITEC475 HW#1

ADD YOUR OWN SIGNATURE to any artwork

Fine art prints are generally signed by the artist. You can sign your digital projects one at a time after they are printed, or you can apply a digital signature from within Photoshop. You can create a large-sized custom signature brush and save it in your Brush picker. You can then quickly apply your signature digitally to all your art projects. You can change the Size slider in the Brush picker to add a signature to your images with any size signature brush, and you can apply the signature in any color by selecting a specific color as the foreground color before applying the brush. When you sign your project, add a new transparent layer for the signature. You can then add layer styles and easily change the color of the signature or even create a blind embossed signature effect. Creating your own signature brush is best accomplished using a Wacom pen tablet because signing your name with a mouse, trackball, or trackpad is difficult.

1 Click File.

2 Click New. The New dialog box appears.

3 Click and select pixels.

4 Click in the fields for the width and height and type 2800.

Note: Starting with a file 2800 × 2800 pixels at 360 ppi gives you the space to make a brush at the largest brush size of 2500 × 2500 pixels. You can then easily resize the brush to fit many different images.

5 Click in the field for the resolution and type 360.

6 Click OK. Make sure Background Contents is set to White, the default.

A new empty document appears.

7 Press B to select the Brush tool.

8 Click and open the Brush picker.

9 Select a hard-edged brush. Click and drag the Size slider to make the brush 35 to 40 pixels.

Note: You can pick any hard-edged brush for your signature. The numbers here are just guidelines.

10 Click in the white image and click and drag with the brush to sign your name.

Your signature appears on the white image.

11 Click the Rectangular Marquee tool. Click and drag just around your signature.

12 Click Edit. Click Define Brush Preset. The Brush Name dialog box appears. Type a name for your signature, such as My Signature Brush.

13 Click OK to save the signature brush

14 Open an image to which to add the signature.

15 Click the New Layer button to add an empty layer. Press B to select the Brush tool then click to open the Brush picker. Select your signature brush and click and drag the Size slider to adjust the size to fit the image. Click once in the image. Your signature appears.

● You can click the Add a Layer Style button to add a drop shadow or bevel.

**When you finish application please bring your file to the class.!**