

Adobe Photoshop Elements

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Photoshop Elements consists of two parts:

- a. Organizer – organizes, finds and views photos.
- b. Editor – edits, enhances and adds effects to your photos.

Organizer

- Review the format of the Organizer page: task bar, photo palette, dialog box,
- Arrange photos and create an album.
- Identify photos using selections according to Media, Faces and Places.
- Review the “Tags” palette and add categories for managing photos.
- Find the photo information box and study the metadata.
- Use the timeline feature in organizing your photos.
- Review the features of the “Create” and “Share” palettes.

First Assignment: To be finished before the second class.

1. Import a set of photos into Photoshop Elements.
2. Set up an album of photos that you would like to edit.
3. Apply tags to the photos.
4. Make some automatic changes to the photos in the Organizer.

Editor

- Locate File> Open.
- Review the functions on the taskbar
- Study the Tools in the Tool Bar
- Locate the Photo bin.
- Locate the Layers Palettes
- Save a file and stack photos.
- Editing photos by making selections:
 - a. Rectangular and Elliptical Marquee tools, the Lasso tool, the Magic wand,.
 - b. Modifying Selections
 - c. Moving and copying selections.

Assignment II:

Make four or five changes to a photo, including change of color, removing an item or two, cropping etc. Prepare with the class if you would like.

- Correcting Color
- Cropping and resizing photos
- Retouching and transforming images
- Artwork, effects, styles and filters
- Adding text and shapes
- Printing and sharing photos

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