Introduction to Photoshop

PHOTOSHOP ESSENTIALS –Read over first

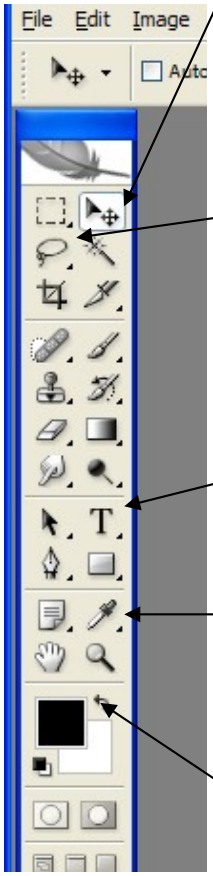
The following activities are Instructions to follow to do your Photoshop Activities. You will open the PDF document and do what the instructions say. You do not copy or try to move the screen shots from the instruction PDF to Photoshop. The best way to use this manual to open the first PDF file and read what it says, then Minimize it and open Photoshop and do what the instructions say.

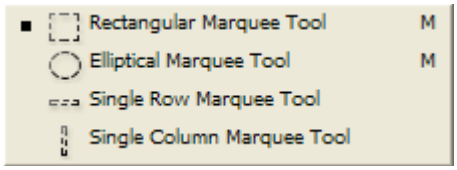
IMPORTANT: To Deselect your marching ants, press Ctrl D to deselect.

This is your move tool. You will use it when you want to move a document from one picture to another among other things.

This is your tool bar. Please use your cursor and go over each tool and see what it is it. Hold down on the mouse and it will bring down a pull down with more selections under them.

If you lose or close your palettes, go to window and check the box that you want to open.





This is your text tool. You can play around with how to use it on your document. Remember there are other Text choices under it.

This is your Zoom tool. You can click on a picture and it zoom in bigger. Hold down your ALT key and click the zoom tool and the picture will get smaller.

These are your foreground and background colors. You will use these a lot

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These Activities are designed to help new users learn the basics about Photoshop.
If you are using CS3, CS4 or higher – DO NOT WORRY – These activities will work fine with them. See below for the most frequently asked questions.

What is the difference between Photoshop CS4 and CS2?

There are several new tools in Photoshop CS4 from CS2: Smart Objects, Smart Filters, Quick Selection Tool, Zoomify, 3D capabilities and lots more, not to mention the improvements to camera raw and bridge.

If you are worried about not being able to figure out the program because it might look too different, I wouldn't worry, its not really that different, almost everything from CS2 is in the same place.

The major differences occur in the Advanced Features and we will not go into those until we have covered Beginning and Intermediate Activities.

So hang on and let the fun begin……..