



Photoshop Trick: Feathering a Photo

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For software or YearTech Online schools, you can easily take a digital image and give it a softer edge by Feathering the Photo...

1. Open your image in Photoshop.

**2. Double Click on the Marquee Tool in your toolbox. The Marquee options palette should appear, or a separate box appears below the top of the screen menu choices. Enter as...
Feather: 10 pixels (or more for an even softer edge)
Style: Normal**

3. Draw a marquee around the area of the photograph that you want to remain in focus. Just click and drag around the area; a dotted line will appear. The feathering will occur around this selection.

4. Go to the top of your screen and choose Select/Inverse.

5. Go to the top of your screen and choose Edit/Fill. Select white from the Use pop up menu. For opacity, try 100%, although you may want to try a lesser amount to create a faded feathering that ghosts the outside of your photo. Click OK.

6. Go to the top of your screen and choose Select/Deselect.

7. Choose File/Save As and select Jpeg or Tiff. Give the file a slightly different name than the original. For Jpeg, save at maximum quality. With Tiff, for Image Compression, choose None, and select IBM or Mac, depending on what computer you are using.

8. For PageMaker schools, use Picture Placer to place the image on your yearbook page. For YearTech Online users, upload the new image to your website, then place it in a photo box. InDesign schools, just choose the Feathering option inside InDesign, quick & easy!

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