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Digital Scrapbooking Mastery, No. 2 Lesson 11: Corrugated Whimsical Heart for Photoshop Elements Manual © 2019 Jen White

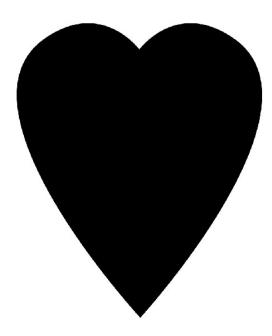
Corrugated elements are not only trendy, they add loads of depth and texture to a digital scrapbook page. In this lesson we'll take a little treasure hunt through the web and assemble a perfectly practical element of love.

- Begin in Expert Mode of Photoshop Elements.
- Open the document (File > Open) you ended with in Lesson 10.
- In the Layers panel, click on the Visibility icon of all existing groups to hide them.
- Click on the top group to active it.
- Press the letter D to reset the Color Chips to the default of black over white.

Create a Heart

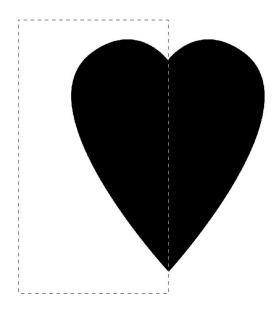
- In the Layers panel, click on the Create a New Layer icon.
- Double click on the name of the new layer and rename it, Heart.
- Get the Custom Shape tool.

- In the Tool Options, open the Shape Picker, open the dropdown menu, and choose Shapes. Choose the Heart shape. If you don't see the names of the shapes, open the flyout menu and choose Large List.
- Set the Style to None. If you unable to set the style to None, in the Tool Options, open the flyout menu and choose Reset Tool.
- The Color Chip should be black. Open the Geometry Options and choose Fixed Size. Set the Width to 5 inches and the Height to 6 inches. Click to check From Center. Click on the New Shape Layer icon.
- On the document, click in the center to place the shape.
- In the Menu Bar, choose Layer > Simplify Layer.

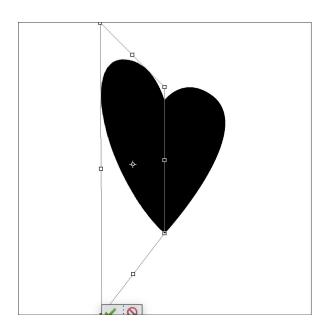


Divide and Transform the Heart

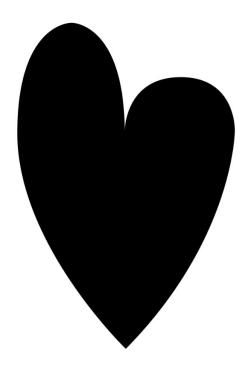
- Get the Rectangular Marquee tool.
- In the Tool Options, click on the New Selection icon. Set the Feather to 0 and the Aspect to Normal.
- On the document, click and drag a selection outline around the left side of the heart. Hold down the Space bar to reposition the selection so that the right edge of the selection is exactly dividing the heart in half.



- Press Shift Ctrl J (Mac: Shift Cmd J) to cut and paste the selected portion of the heart onto a new layer.
- Press Ctrl T (Mac: Cmd T) to get the Transform options.
- On the document, hold down the Ctrl key (Mac: Cmd key) and click and drag the top-left bounding box handle straight up to the top of the document.
- Hold down the Ctrl key (Mac: Cmd key) and click and drag the bottom-left bounding box handle straight down to the bottom of the document.

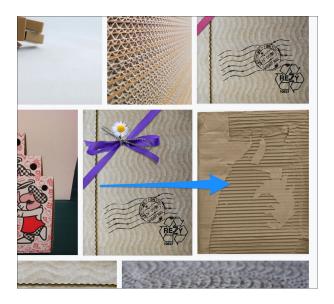


- Click the checkmark to commit.
- In the Menu Bar, choose Layer > Merge Down.



Find a Corrugated Texture Image

- Go to Pixabay.com and login. Accounts are free and easy to create.
- Search for "corrugated cardboard."
- Choose Corrugated Cardboard by lovepixs.



- Click Free Download.
- Choose 2550x3301 and click Download.

NOTE: You will need to create a free account with Pixabay in order to get the full resolution image.

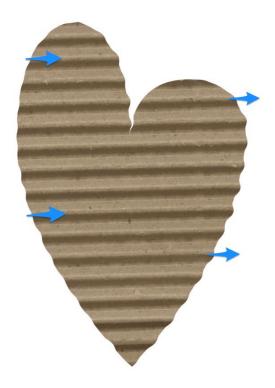
Add Texture To the Heart Shape

- Open the corrugated image (File > Open) you just downloaded.
- Get the Move tool.
- On the document, hold down the Shift key and drag the corrugated image onto your Mastery2 scrapbook page.
- In the Menu Bar, choose Layer > Create Clipping Mask.
- Press Ctrl T (Mac: Cmd T) to get the Transform options.
- In the Tool Options, set the Width to 175%.
- On the document, click and drag the cardboard around until only the corrugation shows.
- Click the checkmark to commit.



Warp the Edges

- In the Layers panel, hold down the Shift key and click on the Heart layer. Now both layers should be active.
- Press Ctrl J (Mac: Cmd J) to duplicate the two active layers.
- Press Ctrl E (Mac: Cmd E) to merge them.
- In the Layers panel, double click directly on the name of the image layer and rename it Corrugation.
- In the Menu Bar, choose Filter > Distort > Liquify.
- In the dialog box, click on the + icon several times to zoom into the heart. Get the Forward Warp tool. Set the Size to 150 and the Pressure to 100.
- On the image, slightly click and drag the right-facing edges of the heart to the right (to pull the pixels out) in all the areas there are hills in the corrugation.
- Slightly click and drag the left-facing edges of the heart to the right (to push the pixels in) in all the areas there are hills in the corrugation.



- Click OK to commit the changes.
- In the Layers panel, click and drag the original Corrugation layer (downloaded image) to the Trash icon.

Add Color to the Corrugation

- In the Layers panel, the Corrugation layer should be active.
- Click on the Add New Fill or Adjustment Layer icon and choose Hue/ Saturation.
- In the Hue/Saturation panel, click on the Clipping Mask icon and move the Saturation slider all the way to the left to desaturate the corrugation.
- In the Layers panel, click on the Add New Fill or Adjustment Layer icon and choose Solid Color.
- In the Swatches panel, click on medium colored swatch, or choose a medium color from the Color Picker. I'm using Hex #be5d91. Click OK.

NOTE: Very light or very dark colors will not blend well with this technique.

- In the Menu Bar, choose Layer > Create Clipping Mask.
- In the Layers panel, set the Blend Mode to Color.



Add Color to the Heart Backing

- In the Layers panel, holding down the Alt key (Mac: Opt key) click and drag a duplicate Color Fill layer above the Heart layer.
- In the Menu Bar, choose Layer > Create Clipping Mask.
- In the Layers panel, set the Blend mode of the duplicate Color Fill layer to Normal.
- Double click on the thumbnail of the duplicate Color Fill layer to open the Color Picker.
- On the document, click to sample a dark shade of the current color.
- In the Color Picker, click OK.



Create a Group

- In the Layers panel, click on the top Color Fill layer to activate it.
- Holding down the Shift key, click on the Heart layer. Now all layers associated with the heart element should be active.
- Click on the Create a New Group icon.
- Double click directly on the name of the new group and rename it, Corrugated Whimsical Heart.

Add a Drop Shadow

- In the Layers panel, choose Layer > Layer Style > Style Settings.
- In the dialog box, set the Lighting Angle to 120. Click to check Drop Shadow. Set the the Size to 25, the Distance to 5, and the Opacity to 50%. Click OK.



Archiving This Lesson

• To archive the heart for later use on another digital project, watch the coordinating lesson in the Archiving & Using section of this class.

Add the Heart To Your Mastery2 Scrapbook Page

- In the Layers panel, click on the Visibility icon of the rest of the groups to reveal them.
- The Corrugated Whimsical Heart group should still be active.
- Press Ctrl T (Mac: Cmd T) to get the Transform options.
- In the Tool Options, set the Width to 25% and the Angle to -10. Click the checkmark to commit.
- Get the Move tool.
- On the document, click and drag the heart to the bottom of the photo grouping.



Save the Document

• Save the document (File > Save).

Altering This Lesson

• To see tips and tricks for altering this lesson, watch the coordinating lesson in the Alterations section of this class.

Custom Shadowing

• To see tips for custom shadowing this less, watch the coordinating lesson in the Custom Shadowing section of this class after completing your entire scrapbook page.