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Digital Scrapbooking Mastery, No. 1 Shadowing Lesson 6: Patterned Paper Anchor for PSE Manual © 2019 Jen White

- Begin in Expert Mode of Photoshop Elements.
- Open the scrapbook page (File > Open) that you created in this class.

Get a Selection Outline

- In the Layers panel, click on the Pattern Paper Anchor group to make it the active group.
- Click on the arrow to twirl the group open.
- Click and drag the Effects icon to the Trash icon.
- Click on the shape layer to activate it.
- Hold down the Ctrl key (Mac: Cmd key) and click on the thumbnail of the shape layer to get a selection outline.

Add a Custom Shadow

• In the Actions panel, open the custom shadow action and click on Make Layer. Click

on the Play icon.

• Click Stop to close the dialog box and finish the action.

Smudge the Shadow

- Press Ctrl + (Mac: Cmd +) to zoom in. To reposition the zoom, hold down the Space Bar and click and drag on the document.
- The Smudge tool should be active.
- In the Tool Options, open the Brush Picker and make sure you have a Soft Round brush. If you don't see a Soft Round brush, open the dropdown menu and choose Default Brushes. Then, choose a Soft Round brush. Set the Mode to Normal, the Size to 600 px, and the Strength to 50%. Uncheck Sample All Layers and Finger Painting.
- On the document, click and drag very slightly on the custom shadow to smudge it.



• In the Layers panel, lower the Opacity of the custom shadow layer to 40%.

Save the Page

• In the Layers panel, click on the arrow of the anchor group to close it.

• Save the page (File > Save).