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Lesson 2, Variation 1, Blended & Colored Seal by Jen White

Utilize the non-destructive aspects of the date seal template by creating a pretty blended and colored-stroked sticker.

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NOTE: Please complete the lessons in the order they are provided.

For this lesson you will need:

- the Date-Seal-Template from the Class-Files folder.
- paper4 from the Class-Files folder.



Quick Steps for Lesson 2, Variation 1, Blended & Colored Seal

Step-by-step instructions are below.

- Open the Date-Seal-Template document from the Class-Files folder, duplicate the template, and close the original.
- Clip paper to the CLIPPING MASK layer.
- Increase the OUTER RING stroke size to 35, recolor it, and blend it.
- Recolor the INNER RING stroke.
- Duplicate the INNER RING and rename it MIDDLE RING.
- Transform the MIDDLE RING larger, increase the stroke size to 5, and blend it.
- If needed, resize the type layers to fit between the middle ring and the inner ring.
- If desired, change the font.
- Crop the document.
- Save the seal as DSP23-V6-Date-Seal-Variation1 to be used in Variation 2.
- Click and drag the layers onto a new document and create a scrapbook page.

Step-By-Step for Lesson 2, Variation 1, Blended & Colored Seal

Prepare Your Workspace

- Open the DSP23-V6-Date-Seal-Template document (File > Open) that was saved at the end of Lesson 2.
- In the Menu Bar, choose File > Duplicate (PS: Image > Duplicate) and click OK.
- Close the original template without saving.

Clip Paper to the Clipping Mask

- In the Layers panel, click on the CLIPPING MASK layer to activate it.
- Open paper4 (File > Open) from the Class-Files folder.
- Get the Move tool.
- In the Tool Options, uncheck both Auto Select Layer (PS: Auto-Select) and Show Bounding Box (PS: Show Transform Controls).
- Holding down the Shift key, click and drag the paper onto the date seal template.
- In the Menu Bar, choose Layer > Create Clipping Mask.





Blend a Thick Colored Outer Ring

- In the Layers panel, click on the OUTER RING layer to activate it.
- In the Menu Bar, choose Layer > Create Clipping Mask.
- In the Layers panel, double click on the layer style of the OUTER RING layer to open the settings.
- In the dialog box, in the Stroke settings, set the Size to 35 and the Position to Center. (PS: Set the Blend Mode to Multiply.) Click on the Color Chip, choose a pretty color, and click OK. I used Hex #c1e2d3. Click OK to close the settings.
- **Photoshop Elements Only**: In the Layers panel, click on the flyout menu and choose Simplify Layer. Set the Blend Mode of the OUTER RING layer to Multiply.

Recolor the Thin Inner Ring

- In the Layers panel, click on the INNER RING layer to activate it.
- Double click on the layer style of the INNER RING layer to open the settings.
- In the dialog box, in the Stroke settings, click on the Color Chip, choose a pretty color, and click OK. I used Hex #c1e2d3. Click OK to close the settings.

Blend a Middle Ring

- Press Ctrl J (Mac: Cmd J) to duplicate the INNER RING layer.
- Double click directly on the name of the new layer, rename it MIDDLE RING, and press Enter/Return to commit the change.
- In the Layers panel, double click on the layer style of the MIDDLE RING layer to open the settings.
- In the dialog box, in the Stroke settings, set the Size to 5. (PS: Set the Blend Mode to Multiply.) Click OK to close the settings.
- Press Ctrl T (Mac: Cmd T) to get the Transform options.
- On the document, hold down the Alt key (Mac: Opt key) and click and drag from a corner handle of the bounding box to resize the middle ring until it's slightly smaller than the outer ring. Click the checkmark to commit the change.
- **Photoshop Elements Only:** In the Layers panel, click on the flyout menu and choose Simplify Layer. Set the Blend Mode of the MIDDLE RING layer to Multiply.

(OPTIONAL) Resize the Phrases

- In the Layers panel, click on the top I LOVE YOU type layer to activate it.
- Press Ctrl T (Mac: Cmd T) to get the Transform options.
- On the document, hold down the Alt key (Mac: Opt key) and click and drag from a corner handle of the bounding box to resize the words until they are centered in the open space. Click the checkmark to commit the change.
- Repeat for the bottom type layer.







How To Change and Blend the Font

- In the Layers panel, click on a type layer to activate it.
- Get the Horizontal Type tool.
- In the Tool Options, open the Font Picker and choose a different font. I'll use Chainprinter Regular.
- Lower the Opacity of the type layers to 75%.
- · Repeat for the other type layers.

Crop the Date Seal

- Press Ctrl A (Mac: Cmd A) to select the entire document.
- In the Menu Bar, choose Image > Crop.
- Press Ctrl D (Mac: Cmd D) to deselect.

IMPORTANT!! Save the Date Seal for Variation 2

 Save the date seal (File > Save) as DSP23-V6-Date-Seal-Variation1 in the Class-Files folder.

How To Change the Words or Phrases

- In the Layers panel, double click on the thumbnail of a type layer to highlight the type.
- Type in a new small phrase and click the checkmark to commit the change.

How To Move the Date Seal to a New Document

- In the Layers panel, click on the top layer to activate it.
- Holding down the Shift key, click on the CLIPPING MASK layer. Now all layers should be active.
- Click on the Create a New Group icon.
- Double click directly on the name of the new group, rename it DATE SEAL, and press Enter/Return to commit the change.
- Get the Move tool.
- From the document, click and drag the group onto a new document.





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