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Archiving & Using Lesson 9: Bent Paper Flower

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Paper flowers are a versatile addition to any digital scrapbooker's toolbox. In this video, I'll show you how to archive and use the bent paper flower from lesson 9 of Mastery 2. This video is being filmed in Photoshop Elements, but the instructions are exactly the same for Adobe Photoshop except where noted.

Begin by opening the document that you ended with in lesson 9. Then in the Layers panel, Right click in Windows, or Ctrl click on a Mac, on the Bent Paper Flower group and choose Duplicate Group. In the dialog box, set the Destination Document to New and click OK. In the Layers panel of the new document, click on the arrow to open the Bent Paper Flower group and then double click on the Effects icon, or the style, of the Flower Template layer to open the Style Settings dialog box. In the dialog box, unchecked Drop Shadow and then click OK.

And then we're going to simplify this layer so that the flower can be resized without the bevel being distorted. So in the Menu Bar, choose Layer > Simplify Layer. Now let's crop the flower. In the Layers panel, hold down the Ctrl key in Windows, or the Cmd key on a Mac, and click on the thumbnail of the Flower Template layer to get a selection outline. And then, click on the arrow to close the Bent Paper Flower group. In the Menu Bar, choose Select > Modify > Expand. Expand by 10 px and click OK. Then in the Menu Bar, choose Image > Crop, and

press Ctrl D, Cmd D on a Mac, to deselect. Next you'll want to save this new document as a layered PSD file in an easy to find location. I'll name my file, Bent-Paper-Flower, then click Save. I'll click Cancel since I've already saved it.

When you're ready to add the Bent Paper Flower to a different document like the greeting card I have here, you'll want to open that document, and then in the Layers panel, activate the layer that you want the flower to land above. Then open the Bent-Paper-Flower.psd document that you saved from the last lesson, and get the Move Tool. In the Tool Options, Auto Select Layer should be unchecked, then click and drag the flower onto the new document.

At this point, you will definitely need to resize and reposition and add a drop shadow, but you will also want to be able to quickly change the color. And here's how to do that. In the Layers panel, click on the arrow to open the Bent Paper Flower group. Double click on the thumbnail of the Color Fill layer, sample a color from your document, and then click OK. And it's as easy as that. So that's how to archive and use the Bent Paper Flower from Lesson 9 of Mastery 2. This has been Jen white with Digital Scrapbooking Mastery.