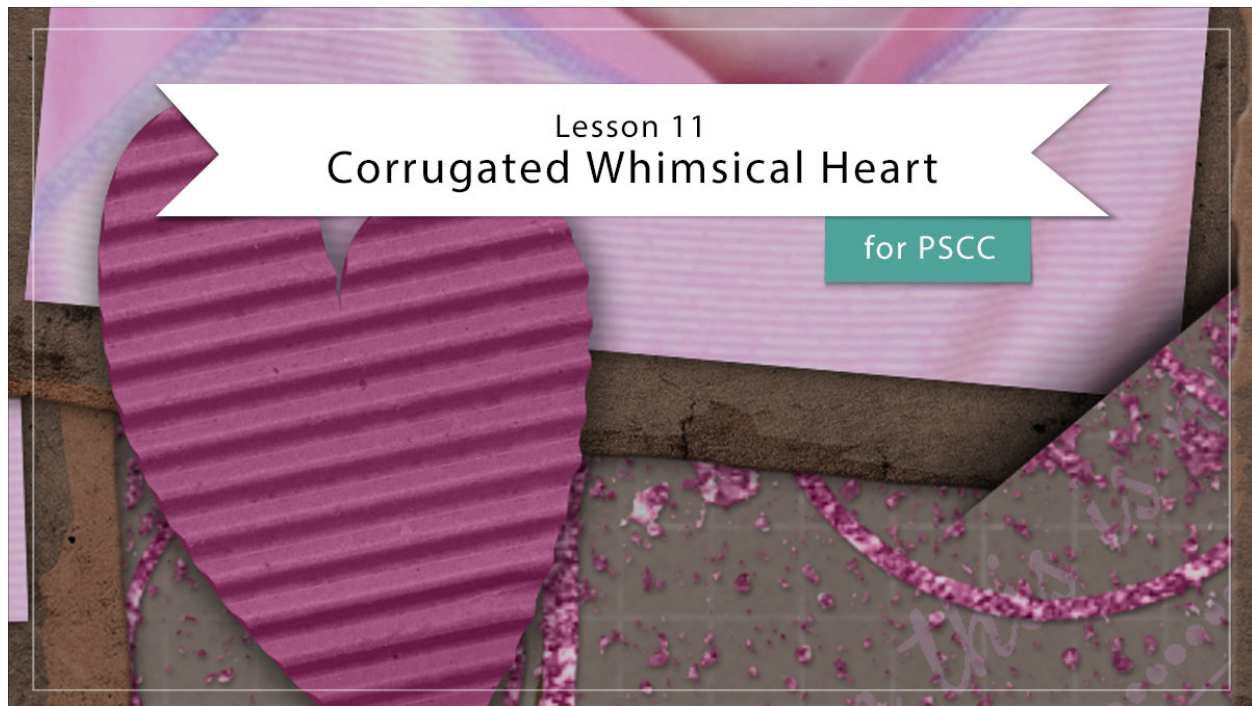


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Lesson 11: Corrugated Whimsical Heart for Adobe Photoshop

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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 Adobe Photoshop by opening the document that you ended with in lesson 10. And then in the Layers panel, click on the Visibility icon of all the existing groups to hide them. I'll keep the Background layer visible. Then, click on the top group to activate it, and press the letter D to reset the color chips to the default of black over white. For this lesson we will want the grid turned on. In the Menu Bar, choose View > Show and place a checkmark next to Grid. And then, you'll also want the rulers turned on. So back in the Menu Bar, choose View and place a checkmark next to Rulers.

The first step to creating the whimsical heart is to create a heart path, and we're going to do that with the Pen tool. In the Tool Options, set the Tool Mode to Path and the Path Operations to Combined Shapes. Open the Settings and place a checkmark next to Rubber Band. And then, Auto Add/Delete should be checked. Now on the document, click once to place an anchor point at the intersection of the 9x6. Next, click and drag from the 5x4 mark up to the 3x4 mark. Then, let go of your mouse. Click once at the 3x5 mark. Then, click and drag from the 5x6 mark, that's this one right here, down to the 7x6 mark. Then, let go of your mouse. Hold down the Alt key in Windows, or the Opt key on a Mac, and click on the anchor point at

the 5x6 intersection. Next, click and drag from the 4x7 mark to the 4x8 mark. Then, let go of your mouse. Then, click once at the 5x8 mark. And then finally, click and drag from the 9x6 mark to the 11x4 mark. Then, let go of the mouse. And that's all there is to it.

Now let's turn off the grid by going into the Menu Bar and choosing View > Show and uncheck grid. And what we have now is a path. We want to turn the path into a selection and you do that within the Paths panel. So to get the Paths panel, go up into the Menu Bar and choose Window > Paths. And then in the Paths panel, click on the Load Path As a Selection icon. I'll close the Paths panel now, and then in the Layers panel, click on the Create a New Layer icon. Double click directly on the name of this new layer and name it, Heart. Press Alt Backspace in Windows, or Opt Delete on a Mac, to fill the selection with black. And then deselect by pressing Ctrl D, Cmd D on a Mac.

The next step is to find a corrugated texture image for your whimsical heart. You'll want to use your browser to navigate to Pixabay.com and then you'll want to log in. If you don't already have an account with Pixabay, the accounts are free and easy to create. Once here, search for "corrugated cardboard," and then scroll about halfway down the page until you see this image, corrugated cardboard by lovepix. Click on the image, and then click on Free Download. Choose the 2550x3301 image, which is the full resolution image, and then click Download.

Back in Photoshop, open the cardboard image that you just downloaded, and then get the Move Tool. Holding down the Shift key, click and drag the corrugated image onto your Mastery 2 scrapbook page. In the Layers panel, double click directly on the name of this new layer and rename it, Corrugation. In the Menu Bar, choose Layer > Create Clipping Mask. And then, get the Transform Options by pressing Ctrl T, Cmd T on a Mac. In the Tool Options, set the Width or the Height to 150%. And then on the document, click and drag the cardboard around until only the corrugation shows. Then, click the checkmark to commit.

Next, we'll warp the edges of the corrugated heart to make the texture look more realistic. In the Layers panel, hold down the Shift key and click on the Heart layer. Now both layers should be active. Then duplicate the layers by pressing Ctrl J, Cmd J on a Mac, and then merge the layers by pressing Ctrl E, Cmd E on a Mac. In the Menu Bar, choose Filter > Liquify. In the dialog box, click on the + icon a couple of times to zoom into the heart, and then get the Forward Warp tool. Set the Size of this tool to 100. And then on image, very slightly click and drag to the right on all of the areas of the heart where there are hills in the corrugation. So this is a hill, I'm going to click and drag very slightly to the right. I'll do it again here, here, and like I said, all places that contain little hills. We're only doing this on the right side of the heart. Then on all the left side edges of the heart, we're going to do exactly the opposite. Instead of pulling out, we're going to push in on the hills. So I'll push it a little bit here, a little bit here, and all along the left side. Everywhere there is a hill in the heart of the corrugation, push inward. Here it was before I liquified, and here it is. Now you can see that just a tiny bit of movement in the edge of that heart really makes it look more realistic when it comes to the corrugation. So when you're finished, click OK. Then in the Layers panel, click and drag the original Corrugation layer. It's the one that contains the downloaded image to the Trash icon.

Now let's add color to the heart. In the Layers panel, the Corrugation layer should be the

active layer. Then click on the Add New Fill or Adjustment Layer icon and choose Hue/Saturation. In the Properties panel, click on the Create Clipping Mask icon, and then move the Saturation slider all the way to the left to desaturate the corrugation. Then back in the Layers panel, click on the Add New Fill or Adjustment Layer icon again, and this time choose Solid Color. You can choose a medium color from the Color Picker, or you can choose a color from your swatches. I'll use Hex Code #BE5D91, and then click OK. Very light or very dark colors are probably not going to blend well with this technique. Then in the Menu Bar, choose Layer > Create Clipping Mask. And then back in the Layers panel, set the Blend Mode of the Color Fill layer from Normal to Color.

In the Layers panel, we left this black Heart layer here because we want the corrugated heart to look like it has a backing on it just like regular cardboard would look, but right now this Heart layer is black which makes the backing look black. We'll want to change the color of the backing to match the color of the heart. To do that, hold down the Alt key in Windows, or the Opt key on a Mac, and click and drag the Color Fill layer from the top right above the Heart layer. Then in the Menu Bar, choose Layer > Create Clipping Mask. And then in the Layers panel, change the Blend Mode of this duplicate Color Fill layer from Color back to Normal. And then double click directly on the thumbnail of that new Color Fill layer to open the Color Picker. On the document sample a darker shade of the current color. So I'll sample a dark pink here on my heart and then click OK in the Color Picker to commit the change. Here's the corrugated heart without the backing, and here it is with it. It just adds a touch of reality.

Next we'll create a group in the Layers panel, click on the top Color Fill layer to activate it, and then 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 and then rename the group, Corrugated Whimsical Heart.

And now the last step is to add a drop shadow to the heart. We'll add the drop shadow to the group so that it affects the entire boundaries of the element instead of just the backing or the corrugation. So with the group being active in the Layers panel, in the Menu Bar, choose Layer > Layer Style > Drop Shadow. In the dialog box, set the Blend Mode to Multiply, the Opacity to 50%, the Angle to 120 degrees, the Distance to 5, the Spread to 20, and the Size to 25. These drop shadow settings are not magical at all, they're just simply preference of mine. And so you should feel free to change them to what you'd like to see. Then, click OK to commit the change.

We're now ready to add the corrugated heart to our Mastery 2 scrapbook page, but because I'm planning to drastically reduce the size of this heart, I first recommend that you pause this video and follow the Archiving & Using instructions for this lesson that can be found in the Archiving section of this class. After finishing archiving your heart, in the Layers panel, click on the Visibility icon of all the hidden groups to reveal them. And with the Corrugated Whimsical group still active, get the Transform Options. In the Tool Options, set either the Width or the Height to 25% and then set the Rotate to a -10 degrees, then click the checkmark to commit. Get the Move tool, and then on the document, click and drag the heart to the of the photo grouping. So that's how you create a corrugated whimsical heart for your Mastery 2 scrapbook page. This has been Jen White with Digital Scrapbooking Mastery.