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Custom Shadowing Lesson 11: Corrugated Whimsical Heart for Adobe Photoshop

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I'm not planning to add a custom shadow to the corrugated heart on my Mastery 2 scrapbook page, but there will be times when I will want to add a custom shadow to the heart on a different document. For example, on this card, I'd like to make the heart look as though it's curling inward here at the tip of the heart. To achieve that look in Adobe Photoshop, first you'd want to begin by opening a document that contains the Corrugated Whimsical Heart group, and then you'll want to isolate the drop shadow. Right click in windows, or Ctrl click on a Mac, on the Effects icon of the Corrugated Whimsical Heart group and choose Create Layer.

Now the drop shadow is on its own layer. Click on that layer to activate it and then get the Smudge tool. In the Tool Options, open the Brush Picker and choose a Soft Round brush from either the Legacy > Default Brushes or from the General Brushes. Back in the Tool Options, set the Mode to Normal and the Strength to 50%. Sample All Layers should be unchecked and Finger Painting should be unchecked. Then on the document, hover your cursor near the heart and press the Right or the Left Bracket key to change the size of the brush. You want the brush to be about the same width as the heart. Now on the document,

very slightly click and push the bottom tip of that shadow back under the heart. Also at the top of the heart, click and very slightly push the shadow back in. And then depending on how much you want it to look like the heart is bent, you can click and drag in the center of the shadow and click and pull it out just a little bit. Depending on the papers that are blending with your shadow, you may need to change the Opacity of the shadow in the Layers panel. So when you're satisfied with your custom shadow, don't forget to save your document. So that's how to create a custom shadow for the corrugated whimsical heart from Lesson 11 of Mastery 2. This has been Jen White with Digital Scrapbooking Mastery.