

MA2-L12-3-el-Grid-Journaling-manual



Digital Scrapbooking Mastery, No. 2

Lesson 12, Part 3: Grid Aligned Journaling for Photoshop Elements Manual © 2019 Jen White

Journaling makes memories come to life. Here in the last part of Lesson 12 we'll put the finishing touches on our Mastery 2 scrapbook page by adding the all important element of the written word.

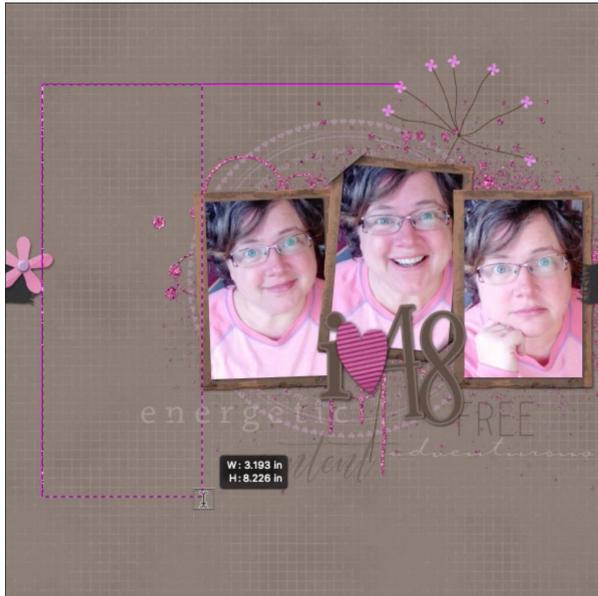
- Begin in Expert Mode of Photoshop Elements.
- Open the document (File > Open) you ended with in Lesson 12, Part 2.
- Press the letter D to reset the Color Chips to the default of black over white.

Create a Text Box

- In the Layers panel, click on the Circular Typed Overlay group to activate it.
- Get the Horizontal Type tool.
- In the Tool Options, open the Font Picker and choose a journaling font. I'm using DJB Annalise. Set the Size to 12 and click on the Center Alignment icon. Set the Leading to Auto and the Tracking to 0.

Note: Tracking is not needed for this lesson.

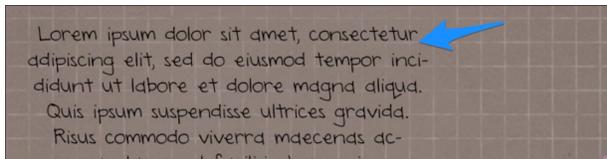
- On the document, click and drag a text box that is 3 inches wide by 8 inches tall. To reposition while dragging, hold down the Space bar.



- Type in a sentence.
- Press Ctrl A (Mac: Cmd A) to highlight the text.
- Press Ctrl C (Mac: Cmd C) to copy the highlighted text.
- Press the Right Arrow key to place the cursor at the end of the text.
- Press Ctrl V (Mac: Cmd V) as many time as it takes to fill the text box with words.
- Click the checkmark to commit.



- On the document, hold down the letter Z and click several times to zoom into the text box.
- Hold down the Space bar and click and drag on the document to reposition the zoom to the top line of the text.
- Get the Move tool.
- Press the Up or Down Arrow key until the top line of words is resting directly on a grid line.



- In the Character panel, adjust the Leading until all the lines of the paragraph are aligned with the grid. I ended up with 13.45.

Add Your Own Journaling

I recommend typing your journaling in a word processing program and then copying and pasting into your scrapbook page. To do that:

- Copy your journaling from another document.
- In the Layers panel, double click on the thumbnail of the type layer to highlight all the text in the text box.

- Press Ctrl V (Mac: Cmd V) to paste in your journaling.
- Click the checkmark to commit.

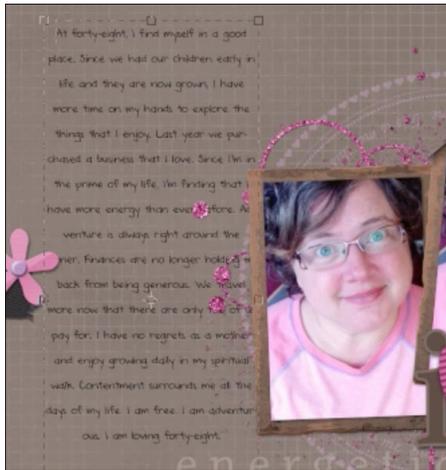
Adjustments OPT 1: Add Blank Lines to the Text Box

- In the Layers panel, double click on the thumbnail of the type layer to highlight all the text in the text box.
- Press the Left Arrow key to place the cursor at the beginning of the type.
- Press Enter/Return to add blank lines to the text.
- Click the checkmark to commit.



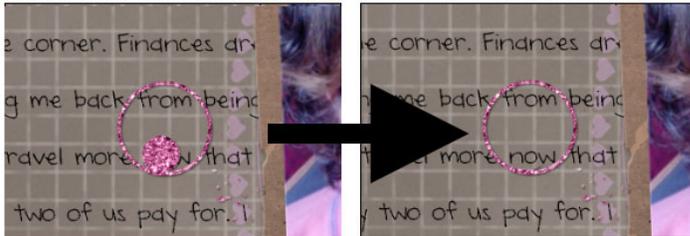
Adjustments OPT 2: Double Space the Text Box

- In the Layers panel, the type layer should be active.
- In the Character panel, double the Leading (current leading X 2).



Mask Away Type Distractions

- In the Layers panel, click on the Glittery Brushed Anchor group to activate it.
- Click on the Add Layer Mask icon.
- Get the Brush tool.
- In the Tool Options, open the Brush Picker and choose a Hard Round brush from the General Brushes. Set the Size to 100, the Mode to Normal, the Opacity to 100%, and the Flow to 100%.
- On the document, click to remove anything in the way.



Save the Document

- Save the document (File > Save).

Archiving This Lesson

- There is no coordinating archiving video for this lesson.

Altering This Lesson

- There is no coordinating alterations video for this lesson.

Custom Shadowing

- There is no coordinating custom shadowing video for this lesson.