

## MA2-L08-el-Shadowing-manual



### Digital Scrapbooking Mastery, No. 2

### Custom Shadowing Lesson 8: Frayed Herringbone Ribbon for Photoshop Elements

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Custom shadowing on a ribbon can make a big impact. In this video I'll show you how to add a custom shadow to the frayed herringbone ribbon from Lesson 8 of Mastery 2.

NOTE: I recommend saving all custom shadowing work until after you've completed your scrapbook page. Because of that, all custom shadowing videos will assume that your elements already have regular drop shadows applied.

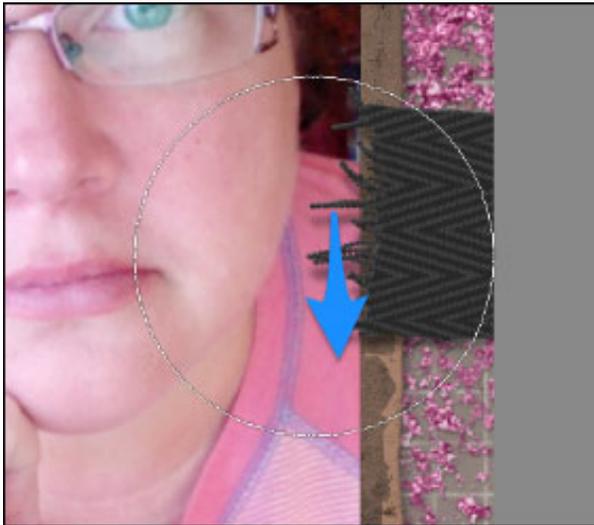
- Begin in Expert Mode of Photoshop Elements.

#### Add a Custom Shadow to the Left End of the Ribbon

- Open a document (File > Open) that contains the Frayed Herringbone Ribbon group that you created in Lesson 8 of Mastery 2.
- In the Layers panel, click on the arrow to open the Frayed Herringbone Ribbon group

that corresponds to the ribbon you wish to shadow.

- Double click on the Effect icon (Style) of the Ribbon Template group to open the Style Settings dialog box.
- In the dialog box, uncheck Drop Shadow and click OK.
- In the Layers panel, hold down the Ctrl key (Mac: Cmd key) and click on the layer mask of the Color Fill layer to get a selection outline.
- In the Actions panel, click on the arrow to twirl open the Custom Shadow Action folder and click on the arrow to open the Custom Shadow Black 50% action. Click on the Make Layer task to activate it. Press the Play icon.
- In the dialog box, click Stop.
- In the Actions panel, click on the arrow to close the Custom Shadow Black 50% action and click on the arrow to close the Custom Shadow Action folder.
- In the Layers panel, the Custom Shadow layer should be active.
- In the Tool Options of the Smudge tool, open the Brush Picker and choose a Soft Round brush from the Default Brushes. Set the Mode to Normal and the Strength to 50%. Uncheck Sample All Layers and Finger Painting.
- On the document, hover your cursor near the end of the ribbon. Press the Right or Left Bracket key to make the brush approximately twice the size as the ribbon.
- Click and drag slightly down from the center of the fray.



- In the Layers panel, click on the arrow to close the Frayed Herringbone Ribbon group.
- Save your document (File > Save).