

Graphic Design Postage Stamp Class Notes

April 20

Set up for Postage Stamp file.

File>Open

New Document

Uncheck facing page

Edit>Preferences>Units and Increments>

change to inches, verticle and horizontal

Tool Bar>Rectangle Tool. Click and drag.

Size box using H and W in upper left hand corner.

Layout>Pages> Add Page

Copy and Paste rectangle to 2nd page.

Increase by 200% until box fills page

Typical Stamp Measurements

The size of a recent typical, familiar American flag Forever stamp measures 22.10 mm x 24.89 mm, which is about 0.87 inches x 0.979 inches. Stamps featuring characters or themes generally have different measurements. For example, the Valentine's day "Love" stamp measures 30.2mm x 23.1 mm or 1.188 inches x 0.909 inches. The War of 1812 commemorative stamp is 39.6 mm x 31.1 mm or 1.559 inches x 1.244 inches. MLB All-Stars series of stamps measure 39.6 mm x 24.1 mm or 1.559 inches x 0.98 inches.

April 21

Handed out Rubric

Opened an image

Set Tolerance at 0: Used Magic Wand to select any area.

View how much of image was selected.

Move cursor off page to deselect.

Set Tolerance 35 to 50: Used Magic Wand to select any area.

View how much image was selected....should be more.

Select area with Magic Wand Tool.

Select Swatches

Click on a color

Select Paint Bucket Tool

Click on "selected" area to fill with color

April 24

Worked in photoshop

Progress check: Printed out b & w image

April 25

Worked in photoshop

Gradient within a shape

Select area with magic wand

Bottom of tool bar: select foreground color and use color picker to select a light valued color

Bottom of tool bar: select background color and use color picker to select a dark valued color

Click on Bucket/Gradient tool. Make sure tool is gradient.

Use Magic Wand: Click and drag from one side to the other WITHIN THE SELECTED SHAPE.

Explored:

Image>Adjustments>Levels

April 26

Critiqued: Shape

April 27