





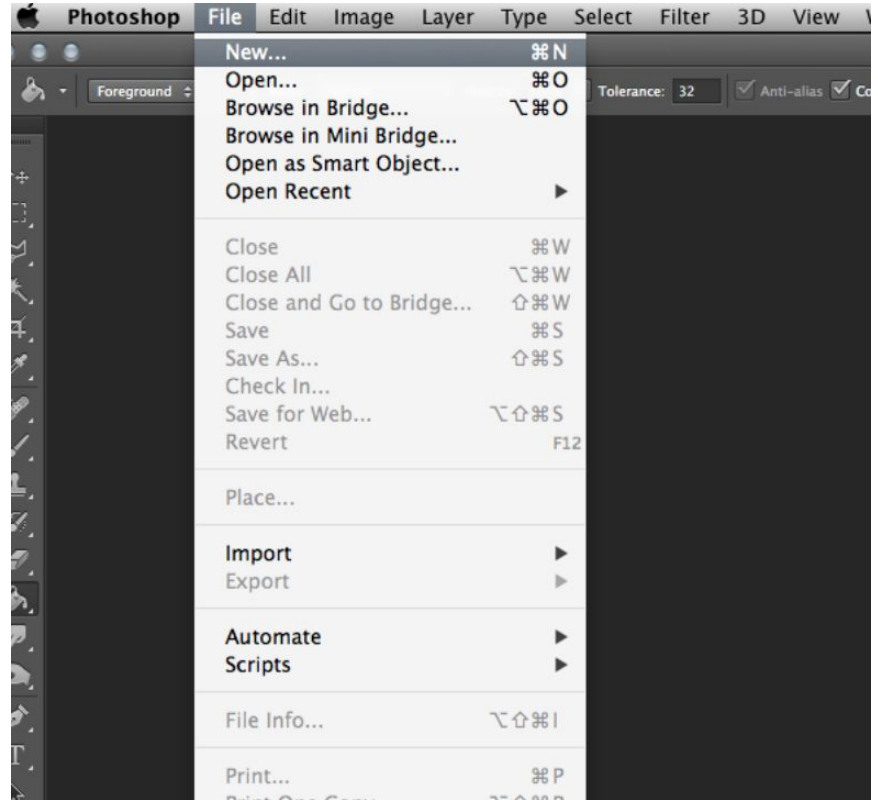
How to make a Surrealist Collage

Introduction to Photoshop
with Mrs. Mendola



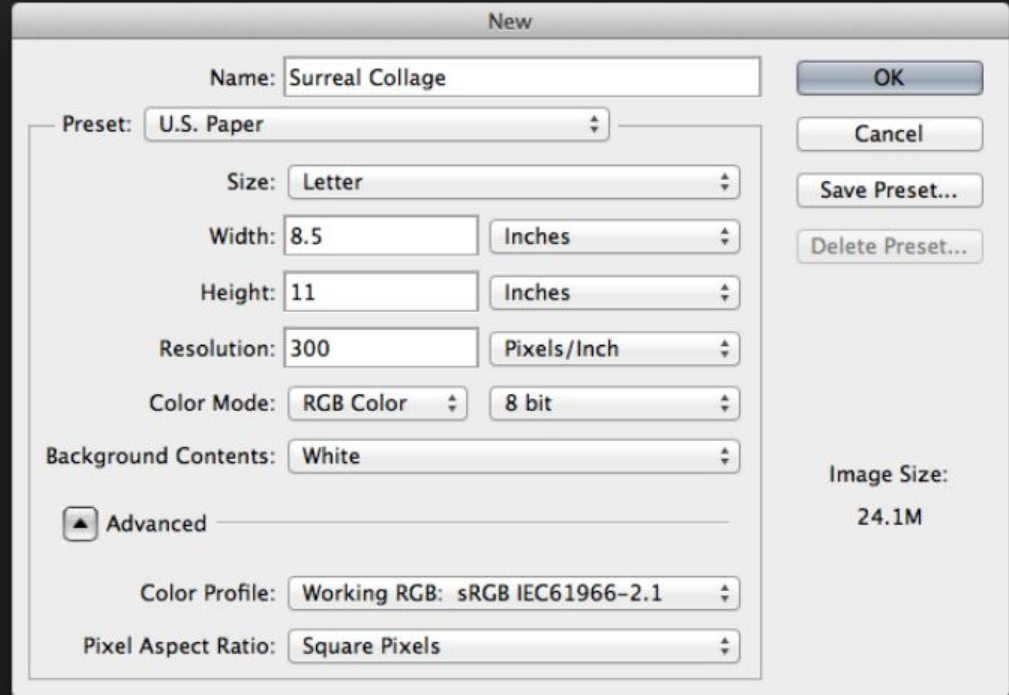
Open Adobe Photoshop

- Click FILE at the top of the task bar
 - Click NEW



Set up your doc

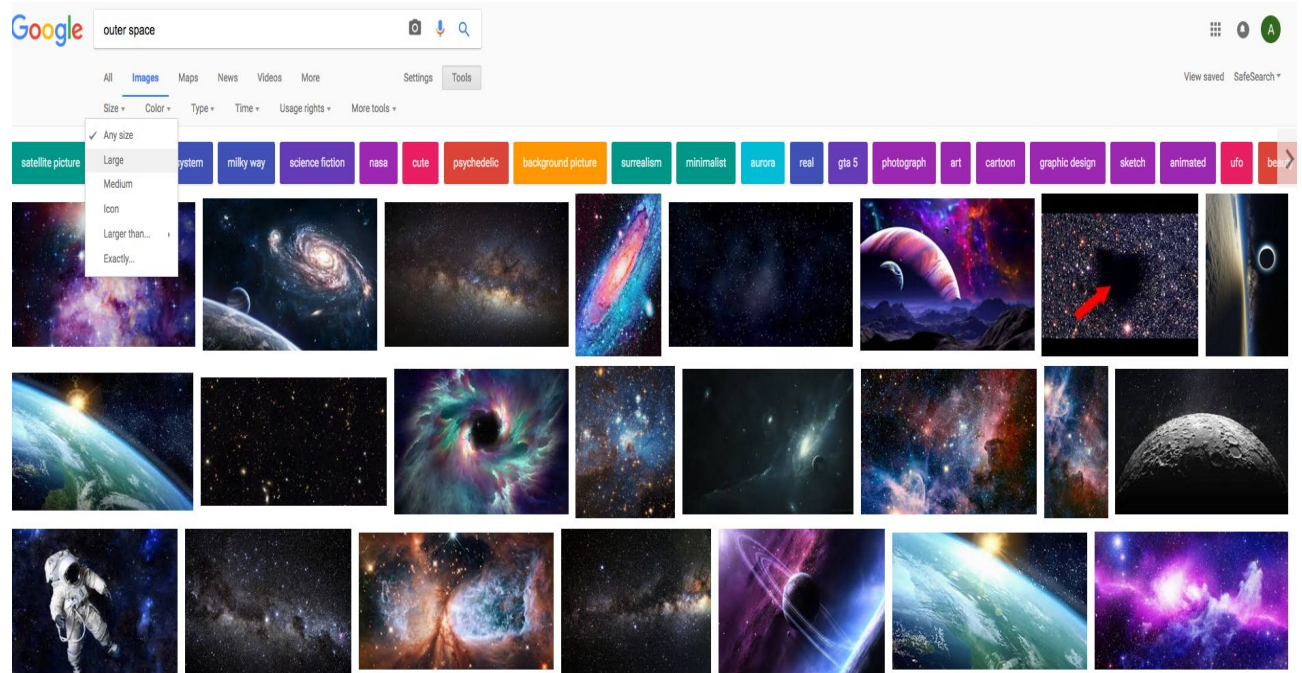
- **Name:** Give your composition an appropriate title and something you will remember
- **Preset:** U.S. Paper
- **Size:** Letter
- **Width:** 8.5 *Inches*
- **Height:** 11 *Inches*
- **Resolution:** 300 Pixels/Inch
- **Color Mode:** RGB Color



Begin with the background

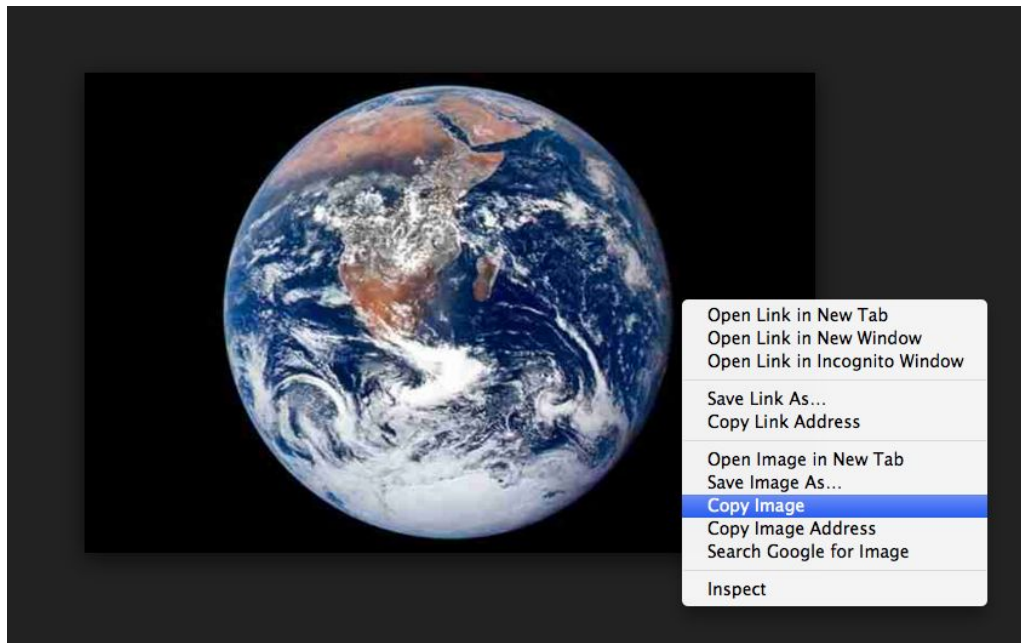
**AT LEAST 2 IMAGES

- Go into Google or any reliable search engine
 - Type in the theme of the background you want in your collage (Mountains, space, ocean, etc.)
 - Click on Images
 - Click on Tools
 - Select Size
 - LARGE



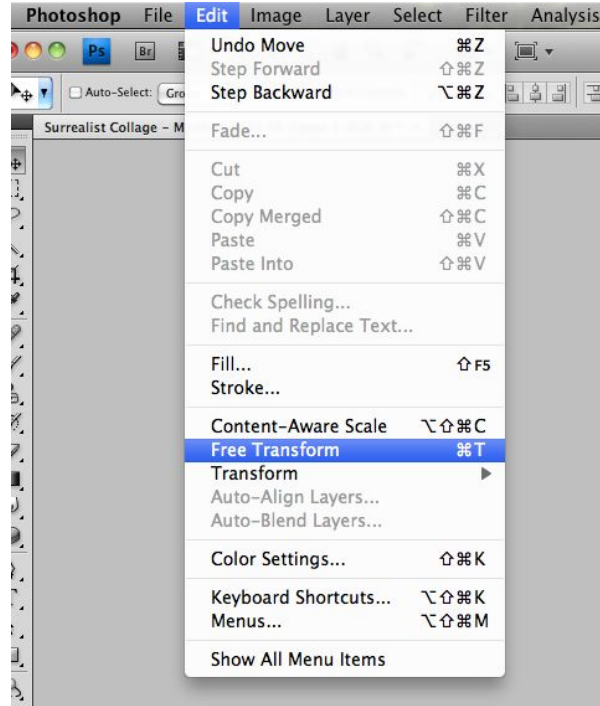
Selecting your Image

- Choose 1 image to start
 - Right click on the selected image
 - Select COPY IMAGE

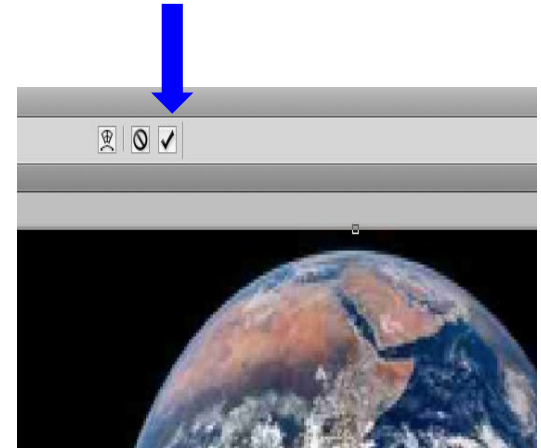


Scaling the photo in Photoshop

- Go back to Photoshop
 - Click EDIT in the task bar
 - Paste
- Your image will appear on your canvas in Photoshop
 - It will have a small frame around it with mini boxes
 - 1 in each corner
 - 1 on each side
- HOLD **SHIFT** WHILE CLICKING AND DRAGGING **ONE OF THE CORNER BOXES**

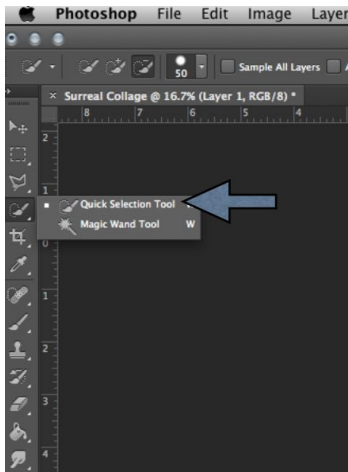


- When you have it sized to your liking, click on the check mark at the top right

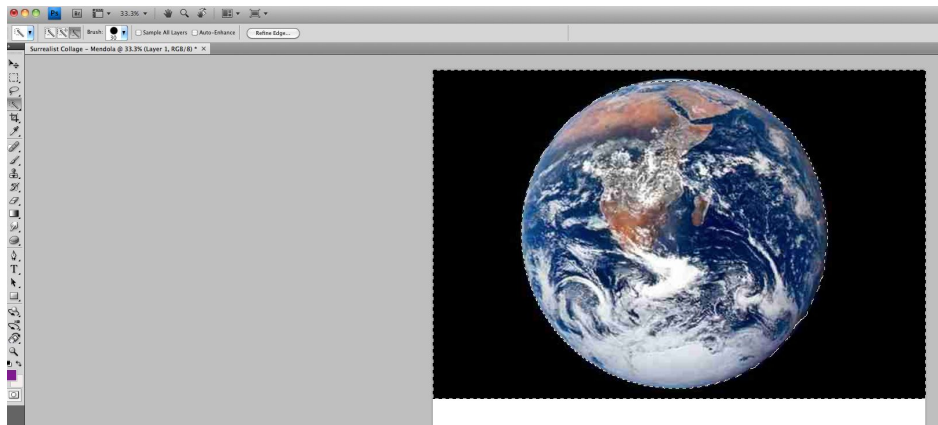


Removing unwanted areas of your image

- Select the **QUICK SELECTION TOOL** (This should be the 4th tool in your toolbar on the left hand side - if it is not, click and hold the 4th tool for more tools to appear)



- In the upper left corner there will be 3 **Quick Selection TOOL** choices
 - Click on the *Positive* symbol (if you are unsure, hover your mouse over the selection)
- Click and drag around the areas you want to **delete**
 - If too much of the object is selected, go back to the top where the 3 **Quick Selection TOOL** choices are, and select the *Negative* symbol
 - Click on the area you did not want selected

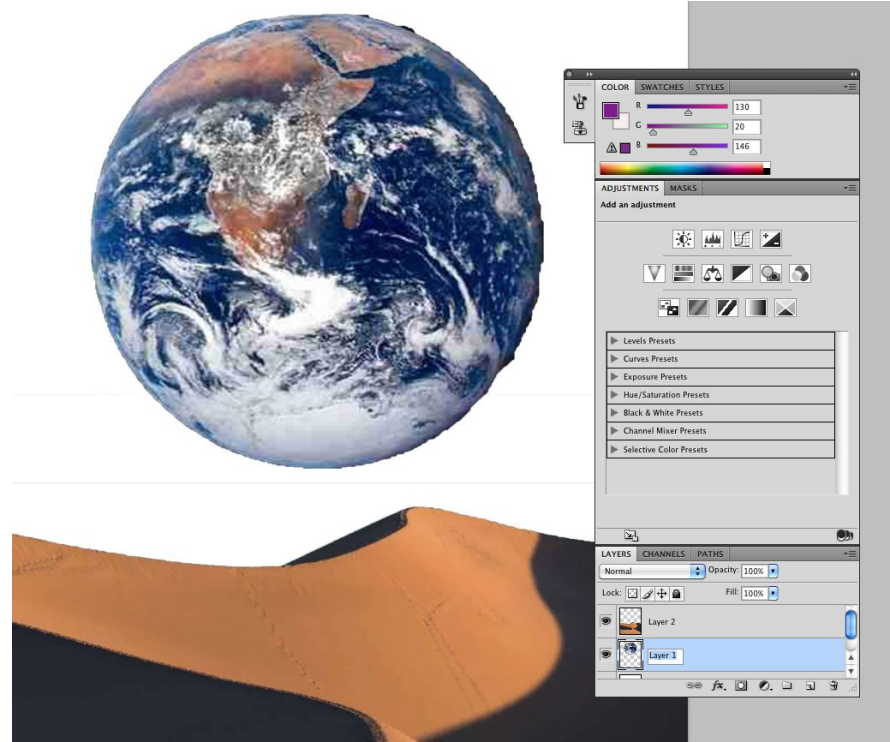


- When you are satisfied with the selection and the marching ants are dancing around what you want to get rid of, press **Delete** or **backspace** on your keyboard

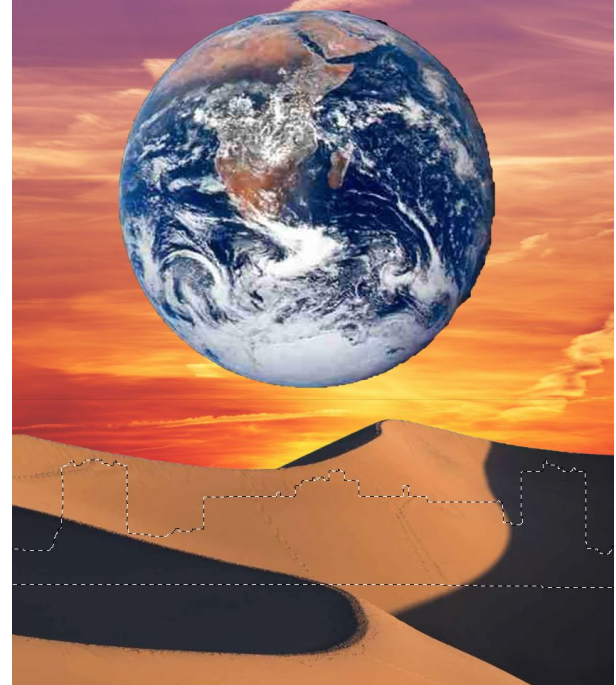
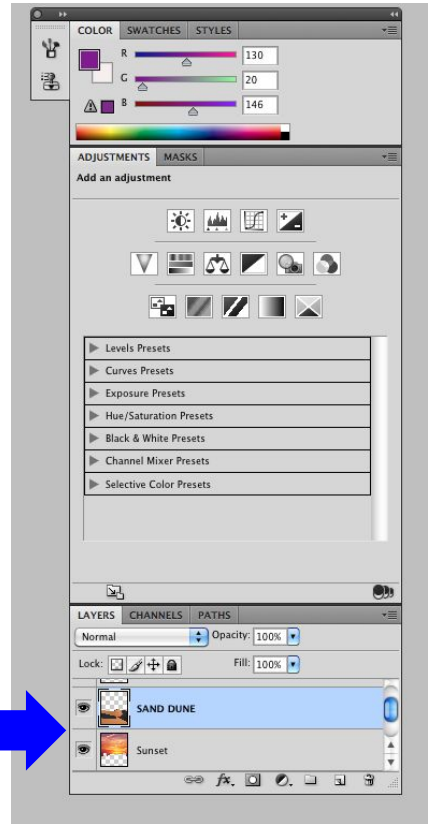


Layers

- Take a look at the *right hand side* of your PS workspace, you will notice a tool called **LAYERS**
 - **This tool is extremely important!!**
- Each image you use, will be on a different layer
 - You will have a **MINIMUM** of **12** photos in your collage = **12 LAYERS**
 - If you want to be organized (I highly suggest) I would name each layer accordingly



- If you want an image **IN FRONT**, simply click on the layer you want to move and drag it towards the **TOP** of the layer palette
- If you want an image **BEHIND** another image, or in the back, click on the layer you want to move and drag it towards the **BOTTOM** of the layer palette

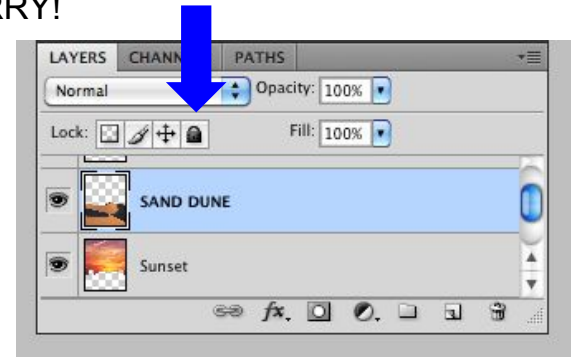


Follow steps 2 - 10 for your surreal images

**** Remember, you need AT LEAST 12 images for this project! ****

TIPS

- After completing your ENTIRE background, go to the LAYER palette and **LOCK** each background **BEFORE** moving onto your surreal images
 - It will be on the left hand side and show a symbol of a lock
- **SAVE YOUR WORK EVERY 5 MINUTES** (just in case your computer freezes)
 - YOU RATHER BE SAFE THAN SORRY!





Requirements:

- You must have a setting or a background of **AT LEAST 2 IMAGES**
- Your surreal collage will be comprised, or made up, of a **MINIMUM OF 12 IMAGES**
- **NONE** of your pictures can be a rectangle or square
- **ALL** images should be scaled **WITHOUT** distortion (blurriness, unproportioned, etc.)
- Your collage should be surreal **AND** should follow a theme
- You work diligently the **ENTIRE** class period **AND** your project shows **EFFORT**

