qt-ColoringOverlays-manual

Tiny Tips for BIG Picture Scrapbook Pages, Part Two

How To Add Balance by Coloring Overlays

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Overlays can be blended, as I've already demonstrated, but don't overlook their ability to mirror color in all the right places.

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For this tutorial you will need:

- Photoshop Elements or Adobe Photoshop
- A photo suitable to fill a scrapbook page
- A brushed overlay (see recommendation & links below)

Step One: Add an Overlay to the Document

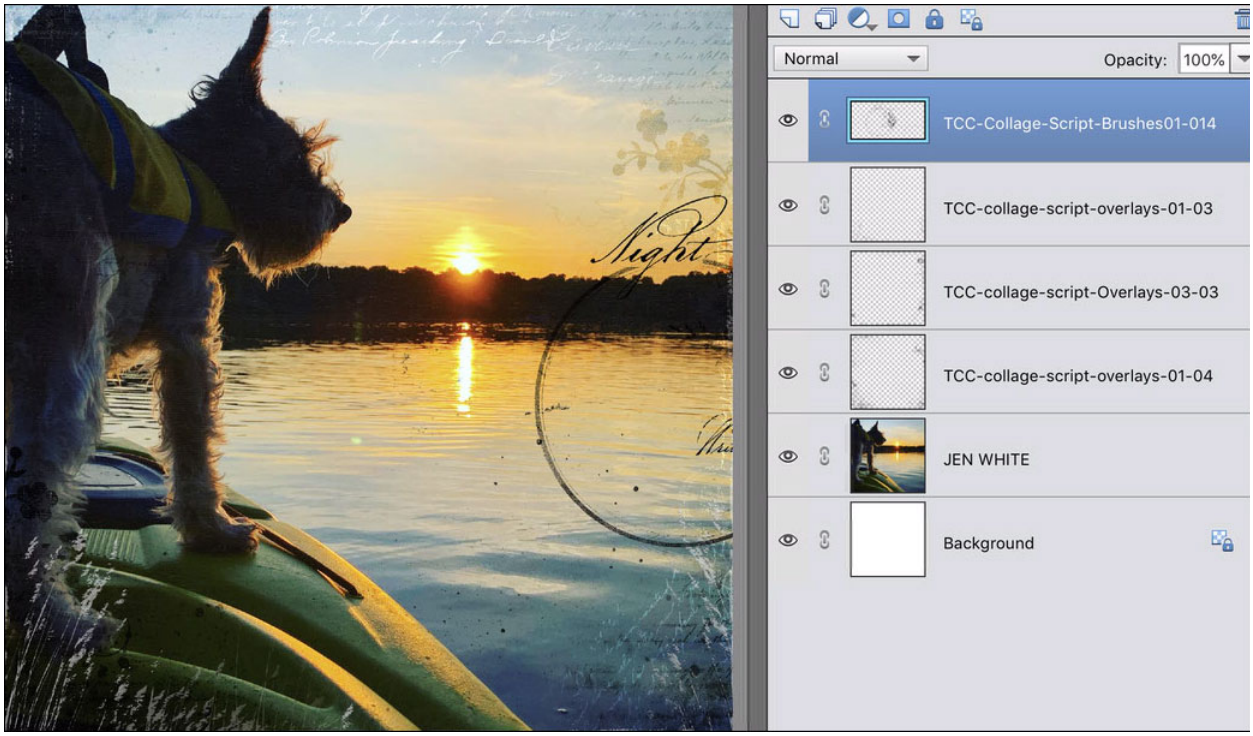
For this tutorial I'm using a brushed overlay from The Committed Crafter. You'll find a link to purchase the overlay I'm using below.

- Begin with the document you ended with in Part One of this series.

- Open a brushed overlay (File > Open).
- Get the Move tool.
- Holding down the Shift key, click and drag the border overlay onto the document.
- Press Ctrl T (Mac: Cmd T) to get the Transform options.
- To resize the overlay, click and drag on the corner handles of the bounding box.
- To reposition the overlay, click and drag inside the bounding box.

NOTE: Use the placement of your overlay to bring balance to your scrapbook page.

- Click the checkmark to commit the change.



Step Two: Color the Overlay

- In the Layers panel, click on the brushed overlay layer to make sure it's active.
- Click on the Add New Fill or Adjustment Layer icon and choose Solid Color.
- In the Color Picker, click OK.
- In the Menu Bar, choose Layer > Create Clipping Mask.
- In the Layers panel, double click on the thumbnail of the Color Fill layer to open the Color Picker.
- On the document, click to sample a color that mirrors one of the colors elsewhere on your scrapbook page.
- In the Color Picker, click OK.

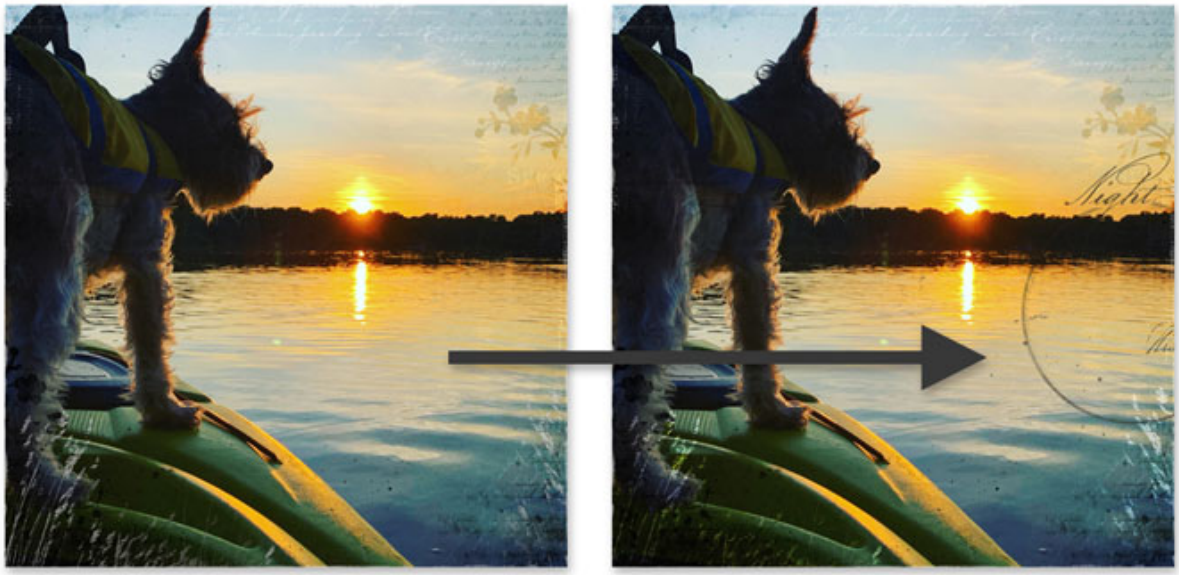
Step Three: Adjust the Opacity and Color of the Overlay

To adjust the opacity of the colored overlay:

- In the Layers panel, click on the brushed overlay layer to activate it.
- Lower the Opacity.

To change the color again:

- In the Layers panel, double click on the thumbnail of the Color Fill layer to open the Color Picker.
- On the document, click to sample a different color.
- In the Color Picker, click OK.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Page: Captain Jack by Jen White

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Kit: Collage Script Overlays 01 by The Committed Crafter, Collage Script Brushes 01 by The Committed Crafter

Fonts: DJB Annalise, Joyful Script, Brushberry Sans Two

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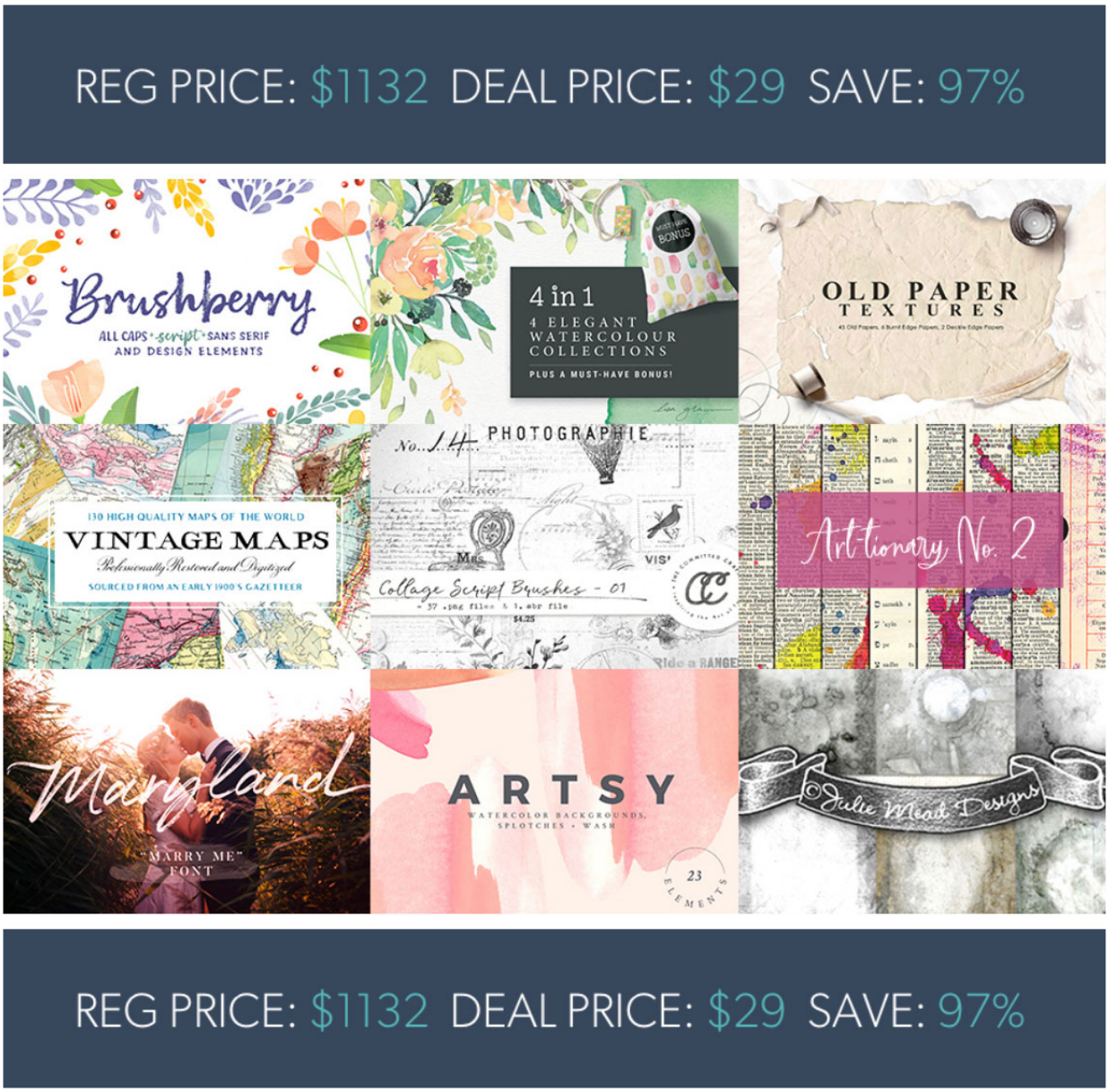
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