

# Adobe Photoshop Elements

## Training Outline:

*Photoshop is an art production tool used to design, create, and edit images for print or for use on the World Wide Web. Because it is capable of handling large, high-quality image files, it has become a standard graphics program in the publishing world. Adobe Photoshop Elements offers features designed specifically for amateur photographers, hobbyists, and business users who want to create professional-quality images.*

### The Toolbar



Move tool: Moves a selection into another area of a photo.



Zoom tool: Click to zoom in, [option]-click (or [open apple]-click) to zoom out.



Hand tool: Repositions the photo in its window so that you can view other areas.



Eyedropper tool: Picks up color from an image to designate a new foreground or background image.



Marquee tool: Primarily used to select rectangular or elliptical section borders.



Lasso tool: Makes free form selections as you click and drag around an object.



Magic Wand tool: Selects large area of uniform color (like a blue sky) with one click.



Brush Selection tool: Allows user to select more precise areas by using the shape of the brush. Change size and brush type for an even more precise selection.



Type tool: Add text.



Crop tool: Select and remove a portion of an image.



Cookie cutter tool: Crops a photo into a shape you can choose.



Red Eye Removal tool: Remove red eye from a photograph of people, and white or green in flash photos of animals.



Spot Healing brush: Remove blemishes.



Clone Stamp tool: Copy an area of your photo.



Pencil tool: Creates hard-edged freehand lines.



Eraser tool: Used to remove, or erase, pixels to transparency or the background color.



Paintbrush tool: To apply soft strokes of color.



Impressionist Brush: (Located by clicking on the Paintbrush icon, waiting for a menu to appear) Paint with stylized strokes. Experiment with paint style, fidelity, size, and tolerance options.



Paint bucket tool: Fills an area with color.



Gradient tool: Create a gradual blend between multiple colors. Choose from existing gradient fills or create your own. Choose from linear, radial, angular, reflected, or diamond.



Custom shape tool: Draw lines, rectangle, rounded rectangles, polygons, ellipses, and custom shapes.



Blur tool: Softens hard edges or areas to reduce detail.



Sharpen tool: Focus soft edges to increase clarity and focus.



Smudge tool: Simulates the actions of dragging a finger through wet paint. Picks up color where the stroke begins and pushes it in the direction you drag.



Sponge tool: Subtly changes the color saturation of an area.



Dodge tool: Used to light areas of an image.



Burn tool: Used to darken areas of an image.