

Photo in Text in Photoshop

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One of the oh wow effects in Photoshop is placing a picture inside of text. Thanks to Scott Kelby's help, it is soooo easy to do.

Select an image you wish to see inside the text. Open it in Photoshop. Now open a new document (File menu | New) Make it large enough for the text you wish to insert.

Use a blocky sans serif font. I love Boulder. Type your text. I have chosen to use 2004 as my text, Fig. 1.



Fig. 1 New document with text inserted

Make your photo the active document. Press the letter v, which is the Move tool. Grab the photo and drop it on your text. You do not have to be accurate exactly where you drop it at this point, Fig. 2.

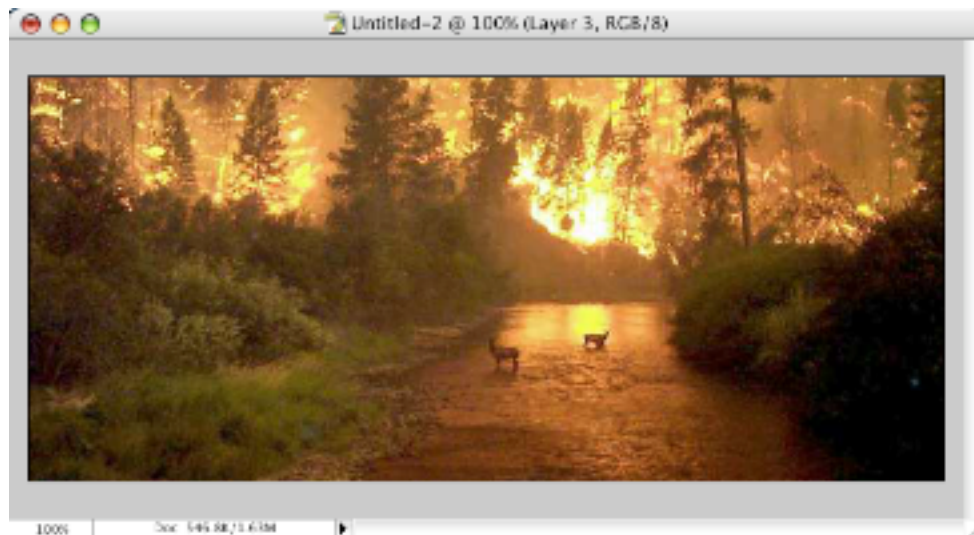
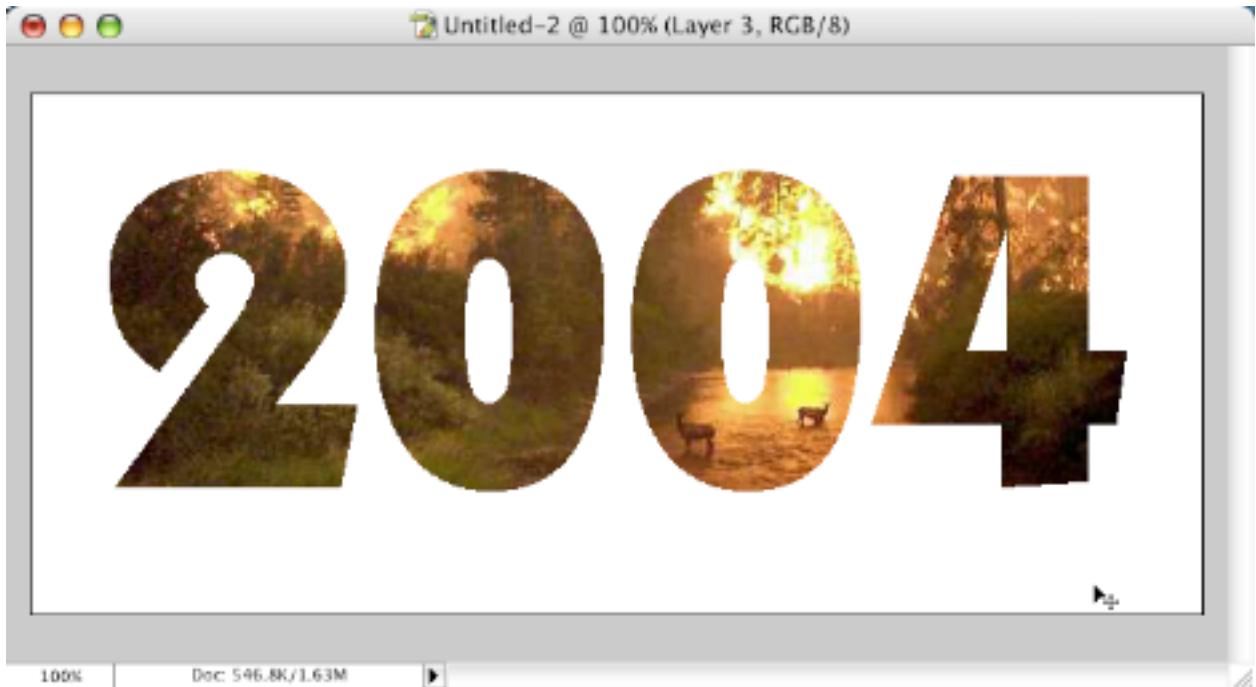


Fig. 2. Image dropped on text

With the text document selected, press Command + G (Create Clipping Mask). The image now only shows within the text. Notice the little cursor in the bottom right of Fig. 3. Move this cursor to move the image around in back of your text until you are happy. Click any tool to save your changes. Save your document.



For more great Photoshop effects, get Scott Kelby's book, *Classic Photoshop Effects*, Peachpit Press, \$39.95, or get it at Amazon for the best price.