Alien Workshop Brush Tutorial

The Brushes in Photoshop are one of it's most powerful and creative tools. Besides being used as the primary tool for basic brush drawing, we use it for quick selections, cloning, healing and erasing. The brush has unlimited creative potential too. You can create a brush tip out of any image, add it to your brush library and "paint" with it.

Explore Brush Presets



Brush Select and Brush Presets let you select a preset brush, feather and size the tip. From the Brush Presets you can also open any of the additional Brush Libraries

Edit a Brush Tip in Brush Palette

The Brush Paette lets you modify the direction of the brush and it's dynamics



Creating a brush is simple

Any artwork or photo can become a brush.

Find an interesting subject, take a picture, download a file, scan a found object Open the image in Photoshop

Crop, Edit, Modify as Desired - try making it high contrast with the Image>Adjustment>Equalize or Posterize It (have fun)

Use the entire image or select part of the image

Edit>Define Brush Preset

That image is now the last brush in your brush presets and ready to use!

Your Exercise Assignment

You're the designer for the skateboard company Alien Workshop and have been tasked to design the artwork for their latest line of boards, "Alien Edge". Use the deck template provided and create your own original brushes to do the design. Submit your final design/template to the dropbox.



