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## INTRODUCTION



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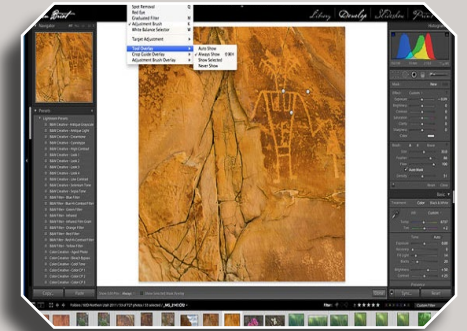




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- Alain Lightroom processing notes -> [pdf](#)
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- Creating a vignette in Lightroom -> [pdf](#)
- Lightroom user presets -> [pdf](#)

- Lightroom collections -> [pdf](#)
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- How to profile your camera with Passport -> [video](#)

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*A passion for the dramatic arts is inherent  
in the nature of man.*  
Edwin Forrest

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*You become popular by being compassionate.*  
St. Exupery

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*You can't depend on your eyes when your  
imagination is out of focus.*  
Mark Twain

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*True wisdom is knowing what you don't know.*  
Confucius

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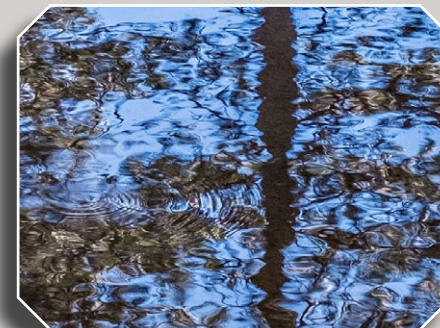
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*Almost all creativity involves  
purposeful play.*  
Abraham Maslow

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- Blending Modes List -> [pdf](#)
- Blending modes introduction -> [video](#)
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*Beauty is the harmony  
of purpose and play.*  
Alvar Aalto

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### B - Darken Modes

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- 6 - Lighten modes demonstration -> [video](#)



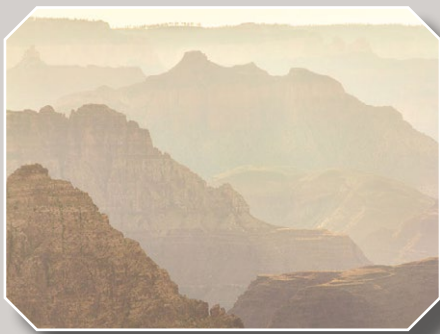
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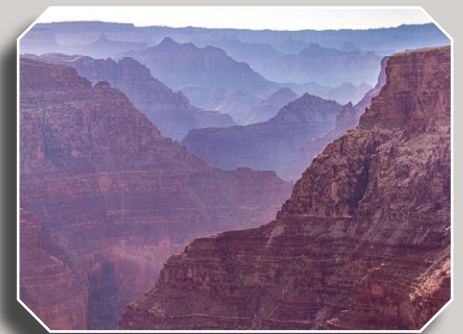




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- 3 - Hard light quickstep -> [pdf](#)
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- 9 - Contrast modes demonstration -> [video](#)

### E - Comparison Modes

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### F - Color Modes

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- 1 - Using the blend-if sliders -> [pdf](#)
- 2 - Using the blend-if sliders -> [video](#)
- 3 - Blend-if & gray scale quickstep -> [pdf](#)
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- 5 - Blend-if & hue-saturation quickstep -> [pdf](#)
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*In order to be indispensable  
one must always be different.*  
Coco Chanel

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- Introduction -> [pdf](#) + [audio](#)
- Creating luminosity layers by hand -> [pdf](#)
- Creating luminosity layers with Alain's action -> [pdf](#)
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- Using luminosity layers Introduction movie -> [video](#)
- Luminosity layers example 1 -> [pdf](#)
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- Luminosity layers example 3 -> [pdf](#)
- Luminosity layers example 4 -> [pdf](#)
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*Savoir, Penser, Rêver.  
Tout est là.*  
Victor Hugo

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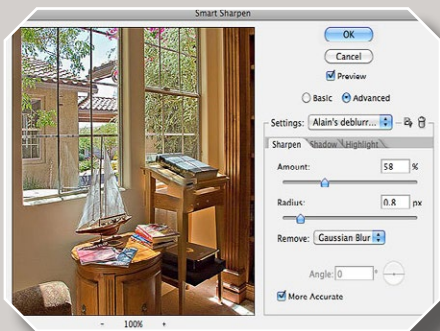


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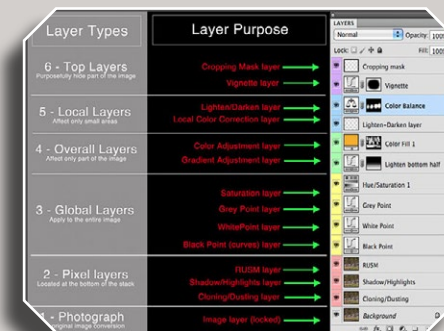




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- Dodge-burn, fringing, High Pass, Deconvolution, Mask Visibility demo -> [video](#)

- Copying a mask to another layer -> [pdf](#)
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- Grand Canyon daytime - Part 1 -> [pdf](#) + [audio](#)
- Grand Canyon daytime - Part 2 -> [pdf](#)

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*Exaggeration is my only reality.*  
Diana Vreeland

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*To live a creative life we must lose our fear  
of being wrong.*  
John Chilton Pearce

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- 2 - Collaging Essay Part 1 -> [pdf](#)
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- 4 - Collaging Essay Part 3 -> [pdf](#)
- 5 - Collaging examples -> [pdf](#)
- 6 - Collaging examples -> [video](#)

### B - Warping

- 1 - Introduction -> [pdf](#) + [audio](#)
- 2 - Warping examples -> [pdf](#)
- 3 - Warping examples -> [video](#)

### C - Image reformatting

- 1 - Introduction -> [pdf](#) + [audio](#)
- 2 - Reformatting with Image Size -> [pdf](#)
- 3 - Reformatting with Free Transform -> [pdf](#)
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- 3 - Spotting examples -> [video](#)

### E - Black and White Conversion

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- 2 - B&W conversion in LR and ACR -> [pdf](#)
- 3 - B&W conversion in Photoshop -> [pdf](#)
- 4 - B&W conversion examples -> [pdf](#)
- 5 - B&W conversion examples -> [video](#)

### F - Black and White Colorization

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- 3 - Texture and Composition -> [pdf](#)
- 4 - Textures and car photography -> [pdf](#)
- 4 - Textures Quickstep -> [pdf](#)
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### H - Image Composites

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### K - Exposure

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- 2 - How to create abstract photographs -> [pdf](#)
- 3 - About abstraction -> [pdf](#)
- 4 - Abstraction examples -> [pdf](#)
- 5 - Abstraction examples -> [pdf](#)
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### N - Additional artistic techniques

- 1 - Introduction -> [pdf](#) + [audio](#)
- 2 - Mastery Workshops Updates site -> [Link](#)

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*An artist is someone who produces things  
that people don't need to have but that he, for some  
reason, thinks it would be a good idea to give them.*

Andy Warhol

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### O - Finding your style by going too far

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*I shut my eyes in order to see.*  
Paul Gauguin

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*Whenever you find yourself on the side of majority, it is time to pause and reflect.*  
Mark Twain

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- 3 - Vulture Mine-3 layers -> [psd](#)
- 4 - Vulture Mine-all the layers in groups -> [psd](#)
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- 6 - Sedona Vines -> [psd](#)

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- 8 - Organization illustration -> [psd](#)

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- 11 - Warped Antelope 3 -> [psd](#)
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### D - Reformat Master File

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*Creativity takes courage.*  
Henri Matisse

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*Much of creating visual art  
does not lend itself to description in words.*  
Michael Reichmann

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Originally from Paris, France, I have lived in the United States since 1986. Making my home in Arizona, my favorite photographic locations include Navajoland, where I lived for 7 years, the Grand Canyon, and the rugged canyonland wilderness of Southern Utah and Northern Arizona.

The choice of which camera I use is based on my vision for each image. In the past I have worked with 4x5 and 35 mm. Currently I work with 35 mm occasionally and with medium format digital primarily. Because the majority of my work is printed large, and because of the quality requirements of Fine Art, I favor large and medium format cameras.

My goal is to create photographs that demonstrate my vision. My equipment, be it cameras, software, printers, etc. is chosen for its ability to make this possible. My vision of the landscape is of a place of beauty, a place where we can experience a direct contact with nature, a place where we can find respite from the pressures and stresses of the 21st century, a place where we can find inspiration and freedom of expression.

The quality of my work is the result of two factors: hard work and natural abilities. I have been an artist all my life and I was never pushed to make art either by my parents or anyone else. I had, undoubtedly, a personal attraction for creative endeavors and for all things artistic. However, only through hard work did this natural ability result in the work I am creating today.

I started photography in 1980 and it took me years before I started creating satisfying images.

I had very high expectations for the first photographs I took, but the outcome of my early efforts was disappointing. I realized early on that persistence regular practice and a focus on study were required to succeed.

Today I have made what was originally a hobby into a successful profession. I make a living from the [sale of my Fine Art Prints](#), I write [books](#), create [photography tutorials](#) and teach [photography workshops](#). I also have a significant amount of free time during which I enjoy practicing hobbies and collecting art.

If you are not satisfied with your current results, do not despair. It took me years of constant study, practice and dedication to create images that satisfy me. Succeeding in the creation of Fine Art Photographs is not an easy endeavor. However, dedication and persistence go a long way towards achieving successful results, and so does regular study with dedicated teachers who are where you want to be.

If you want to learn more about the process of achieving success in photography, I recommend reading my essay titled *Rethinking Talent* in which I describe the disappointment I experienced when I saw the results of my early photographic efforts.

One of my goals in creating this DVD tutorial was to help you make the best use of your time by providing you with knowledge that took me years to acquire and refine. It is my sincere hope that this tutorial will make your journey faster, easier and, above all, fun and enjoyable.



*Photography is more than a medium for factual  
Communication of ideas. It is a creative art.*

*Ansel Adams*





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