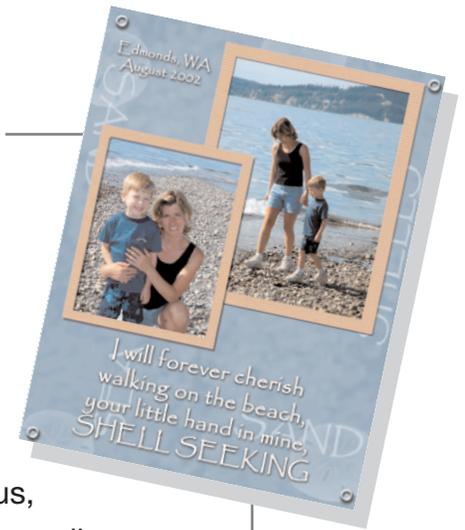


# Capture Memories with Digital Scrapbook Pages

Preserve special moments and events by exploring the latest in memory preservation — digital scrapbooking. With ready-to-use templates you can add your own photos, journaling, and embellishments, to create a masterpiece that's uniquely you. Change paper colors, rearrange and resize photos, rotate mats, tear edges, and so much more, with only a click of the mouse. Plus, when you're done you can print your page to add to your album, e-mail to friends, or share it on the Web! This special tutorial by Michelle Shefveld of CottageArts.net, LLC will introduce you to the new world of digital scrapbooking!



## What you'll need:

- Jasc® Paint Shop™ Pro®
- A few of your favorite photos
- Sample scrapbook page template provided by CottageArts.net.

## When you complete this tutorial you'll be able to:

- Open a scrapbook template
- Move photos within a scrapbook template
- Resize photos
- Rename layers in the Layer palette
- Hide layers in the Layer palette
- Add text
- Add a drop shadow
- Create a scrapbook page that you can print or display on the Web

**Note:** Before you start this tutorial you will need to download the page template called **sea\_template150.pspimage** at:

[http://deals.jasc.com/womansday/sea\\_template150.pspimage](http://deals.jasc.com/womansday/sea_template150.pspimage)

To download the template you will have to enter that URL into your browser window, once you click **Go** or **<Enter>** you will be given a choice to Open or Save, the template. Click **Save** and save the template to your desktop.

# Open the Template

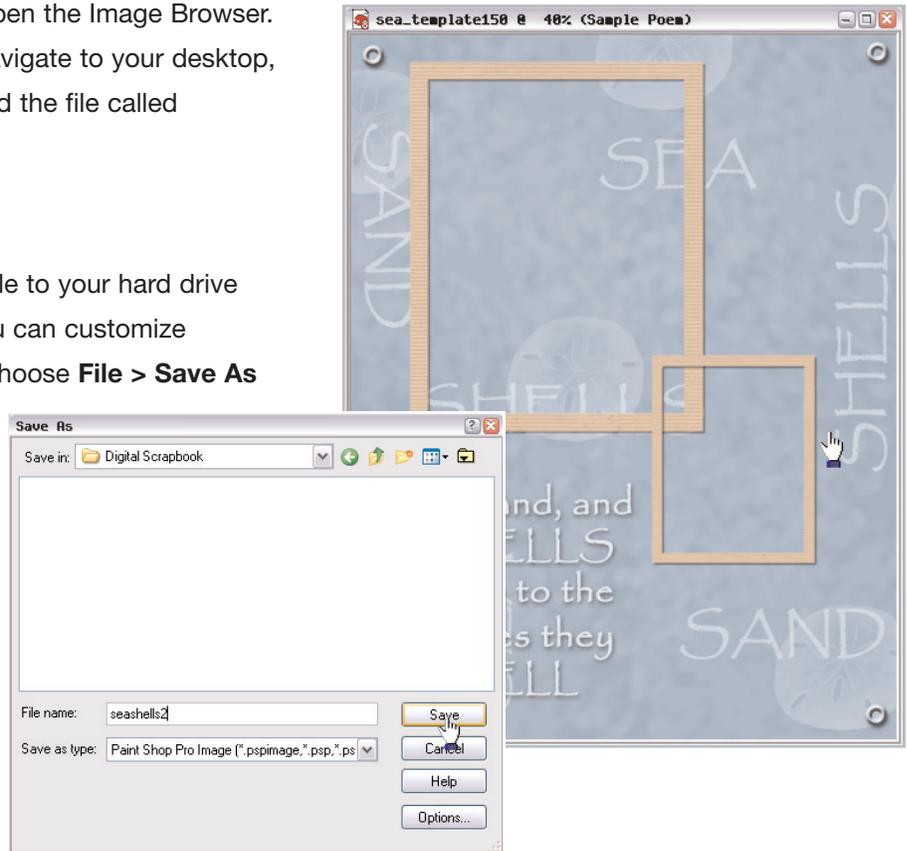
1. Choose **Start > Programs > Jasc Software > Jasc Paint Shop Pro** or double click the Paint Shop Pro Icon on your desktop to open Paint Shop Pro.



2. Choose **File > Browse** or click the **Browse** button on the Standard toolbar to open the Image Browser. Use the Image Browser to navigate to your desktop, or the folder where you stored the file called sea\_template150.pspimage.

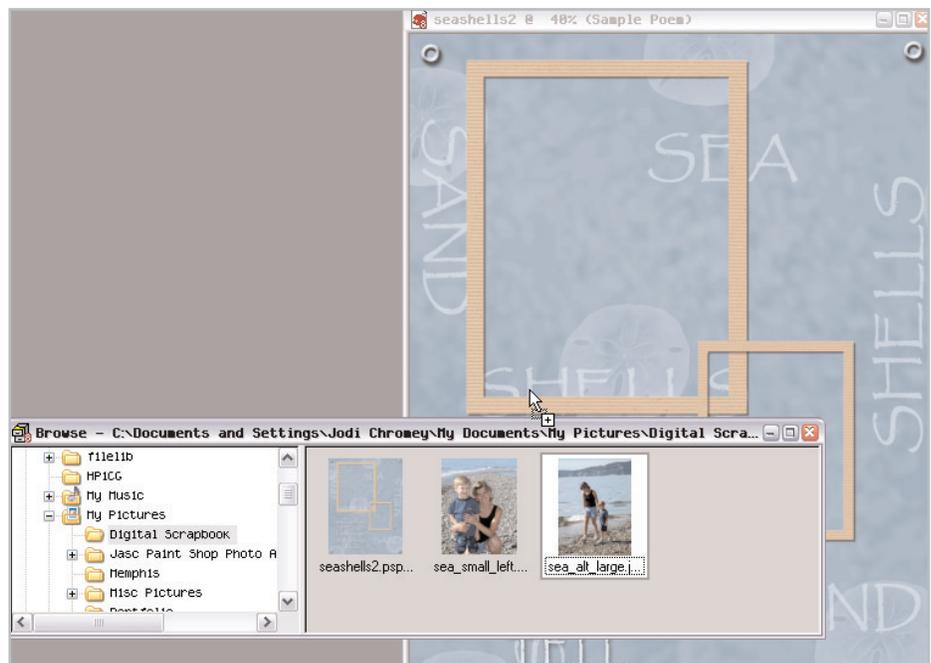
3. It's a good idea to save the file to your hard drive using a different name so you can customize the template to your liking. Choose **File > Save As** from the menu at the top.

In the **File name** field rename the file seashells2.pspimage. Make the **Save as type** field says **Paint Shop Pro Image**.



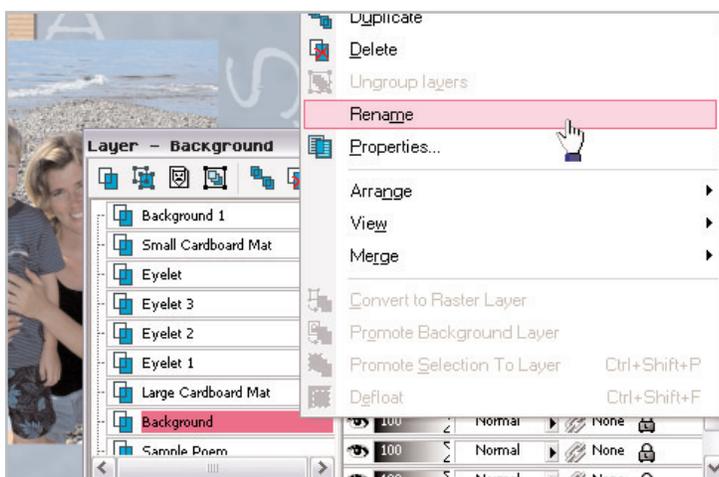
# Add Photos

4. Repeat Step 2, only this time browse to the folder on your computer where the pictures you want to use in the template are stored. Once you find the photos you want to use, just click and drag it onto the template.

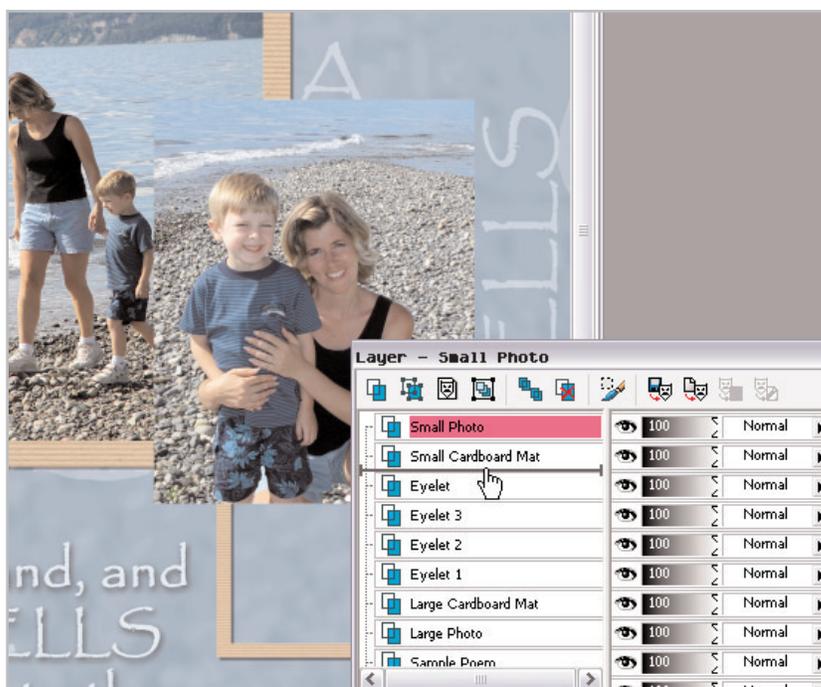


## Adjust and Rename Photos

5. Once you have the photos on your template, it's best to rename the photo layers to easily identify what each layer contains. Mouseover the Layer palette to expand (if the Layer palette isn't displayed choose **View > Palettes > Layers**). Right-click the layers in the palette that contain your photos and choose **Rename**. When you imported the photos, they were called Background and Background 1. Enter the new names. You'll see that in this example we simply renamed them Small Photo and Large Photo.



6. Depending on where the photos come into the layout, you may need to adjust them in the Layer palette, so they lie below the photo mat. To adjust the photo, mouseover the Layer palette and click the photo layer you need to move. Then, move it up or down so it appears below the mat layer.



# Resize Photos

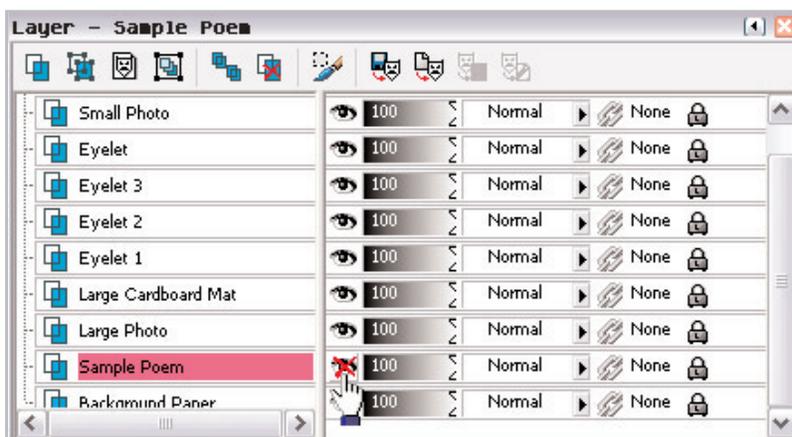
- Next, click the **Deform** tool. In the Layer palette, click the layer of the mat or photo you want to resize. You can move the mats to the position you'd like them on your layout, and resize your photos to fit under the mats. To resize proportionately, drag the sides of the deform box while holding down the right mouse button. To move the entire photo or mat, click in the middle of the deform box and drag it into position.

**Design tip:** Have the people in your photos looking into the page, rather than out. In this example the photo mat to the right side of the page was moved to enhance the layout's design.



# Hide Layers

- Even though the sample poem may fit the layout, you can add your own journaling. Make the sample journaling layer invisible by clicking the "eye" icon in the Layer palette to the right of the layer called Sample Poem.



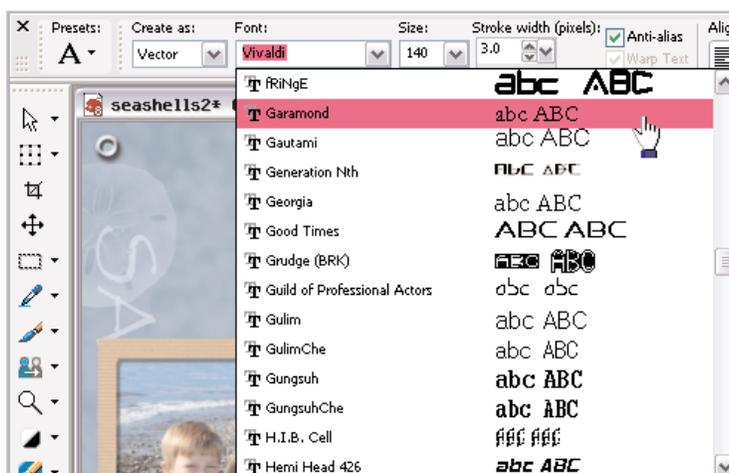
**Design Tip:** Toggle the layer visibility (hide the layer) when you want to test different photos or colors on a layout.

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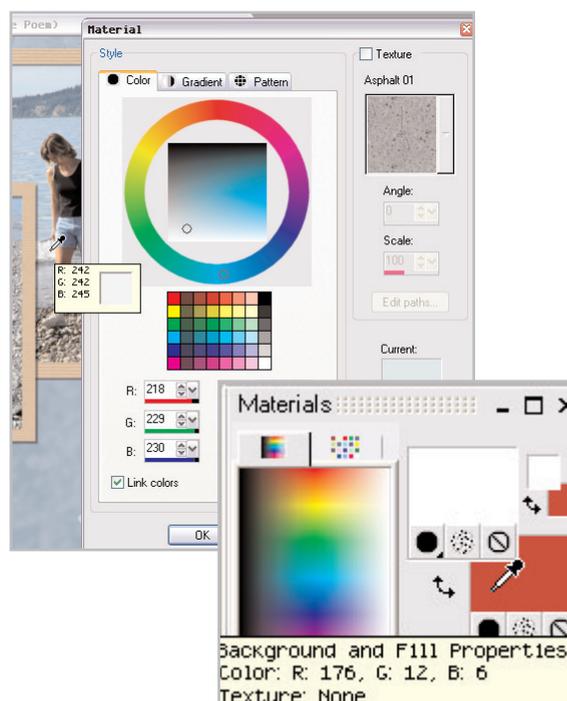
9. To add your own journaling, click the **Text** tool from the Tools toolbar.



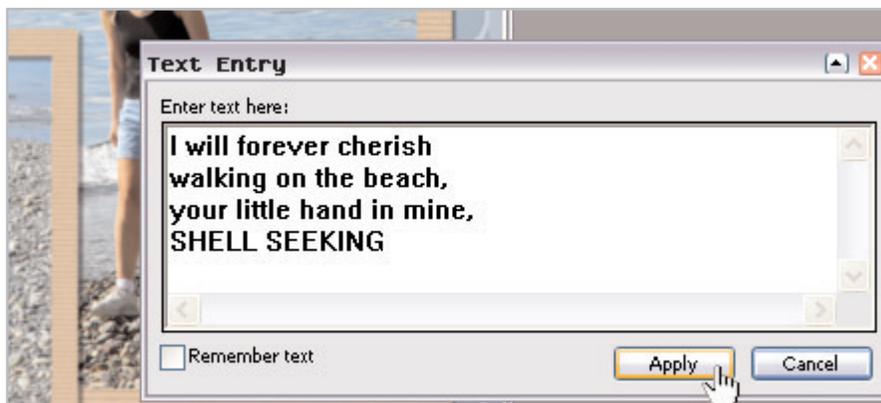
10. In the Tool Options palette at the top of the workspace, select the font, point size, width, and other options you want to use. Make sure to choose **Vector** from the **Create As:** drop-down, this will allow you to move the text around the layout once it's applied.



11. Once you've set your font and font size, you can set the color using the Materials palette. Click the Background swatch (the lower box) to open the Material dialog, here you can choose the color of your text. You can click any of the color boxes below the circle, click anywhere on the colored circle, or click on an area of your layout image, to choose a color for your text. In this case we're going to replicate the color of the white waves for our text.



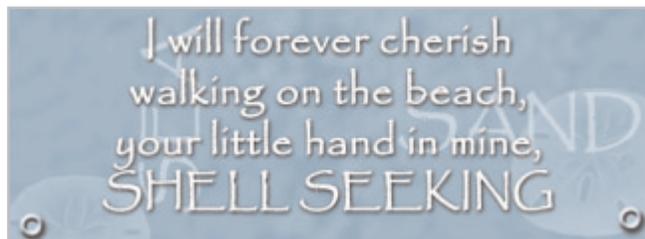
12. Now that you've set your text options, click the area of the layout where you want to start entering text and the Text Entry dialog will open. Enter your journaling text and click **Apply** when you're done. Rename the Text layer in the Layer palette, like in Step 5, to something more explanatory, such as "Journaling text." Once the text is applied, you can click the center circle and drag the text into place.



13. Use the **Undo** command <Ctrl+Z> or add new layers and toggle the visibility to play around with the size, color, and position of the text until it appears exactly as you want it. On this example, journaling was also added to the top of the layout for location and date.

## Add Drop Shadows

14. Select a layer that needs a drop shadow applied. In this layout, there is drop shadowing already applied to the photo mats, eyelets, and text. However, since you added your own text, you can apply a drop shadow to make it stand out from the background.



To add a drop shadow, right-click the journaling layer in the Layer palette and choose **Convert to Raster Layer**. With the layer selected, choose **Effects > 3D Effects > Drop Shadow** from the main menu. This opens the Drop Shadow dialog where you can adjust the offset, opacity, blur, and color of the drop shadow. Experiment with the drop shadows to come up with your own look. For more information on the Drop Shadow dialog please see the "Personalize Greeting Cards" project.

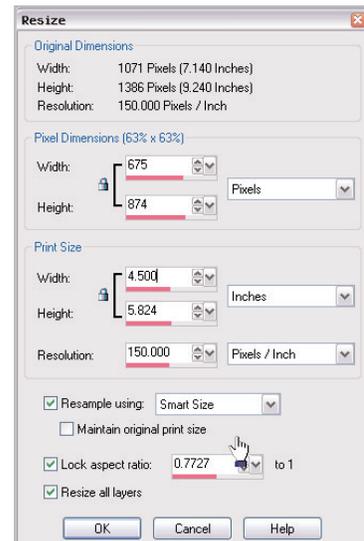
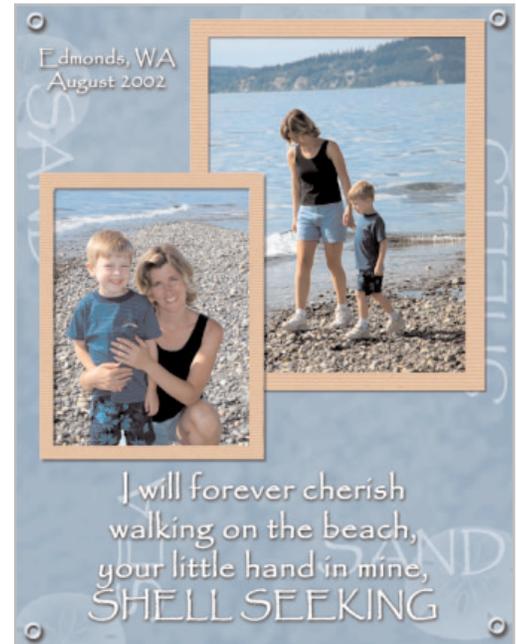
## Save File for Print or Web

15. Once you've gotten the drop shadow how you like it, save the file <Ctrl+S>.

16. Now, you can print directly from this file for high resolution. Your best option is to print an 8.5"x11" borderless print at best quality on matte paper, as this gives the appearance of a traditional scrapbook page.

If you plan on burning this file to CD, choose **File > Save As** from the main menu and change the save as type to .jpg, .tif, or .bmp. This will merge all the layers into a single layer, so make sure to give the image a new name such as seashells3.jpg.

17. For posting to the Web or e-mailing to family and friends, resize the saved image by choosing **Image > Resize**. In the Resize dialog change the print size to 4.5 inches wide. Then choose **File > Save As** and give the file a new name, and choose .jpg as the save as type. This will keep the file size less than 100KB (some sites require 72dpi) and make it easier to e-mail.



Congratulations! You have created a work of art that will last for future generations to cherish. With Paint Shop Pro you are in complete control of your scrapbook pages. By scrapbooking digitally you can change paper colors, add embellishments and journaling text, and rearrange photos all with a click of the mouse. Best of all, if you don't like it, you can change it easily and instantly.



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