

Use Selective Coloring in Photos

Just by highlighting the most colorful aspects of your photos, you can give your photos astonishing dramatic flair. And, best of all, with Paint Shop Pro Studio it's easy! Follow along with this fun project and soon you'll be able to convince all your friends that you really are a creative genius. They'll never know that it only took you a couple of minutes to get this stunning effect.



What you'll need:

- Jasc® Paint Shop™ Pro® Studio
- Sample image Phonebooths.pspimage

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

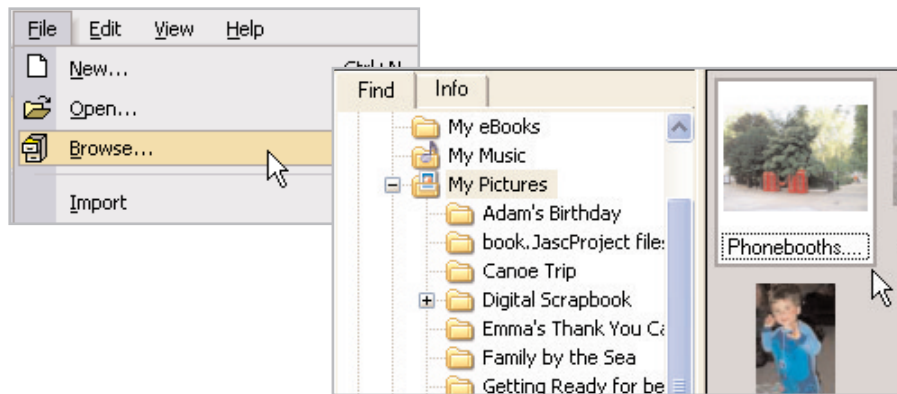
- Duplicate the background layer
- Convert a color photo to black and white
- Use the Eraser Tool

Open the Sample Image

1. Choose **Start > Programs > Jasc Software > Jasc Paint Shop Pro Studio** or double click the Paint Shop Pro Studio icon on your desktop.

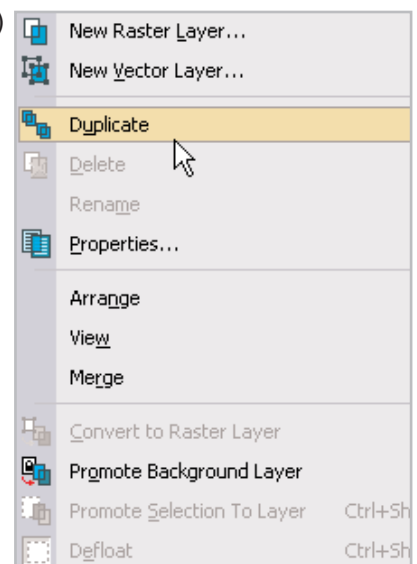


2. Choose **File > Browse**, to open the Studio Browser. Use the Browser to navigate to your desktop, or the folder where you stored the sample image. Once you locate the Phonebooths.pspimage, double-click it to open in Paint Shop Pro Studio.

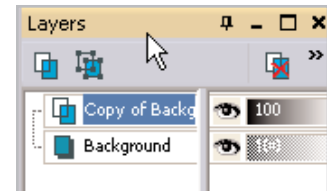


Duplicate the Background Layer

3. On the Layer Palette (located in the right corner of your screen) right-click the **Background** layer and choose **Duplicate**.

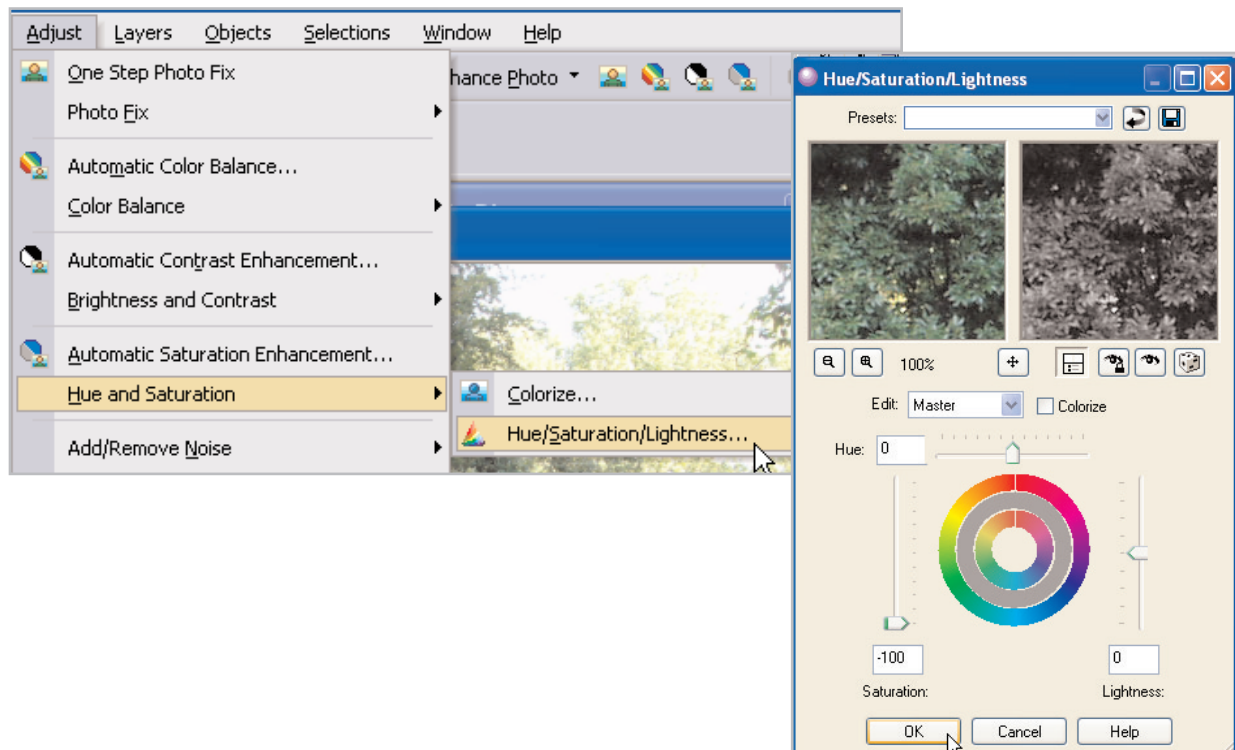


4. Now on your Layer Palette, you should have two layers Background and Copy of Background.



Convert to Black and White

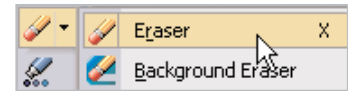
5. On the Layer Palette, click **Copy of Background** to make sure it's the active layer.
6. Now, choose **Adjust > Hue and Saturation > Hue/Saturation/Lightness**. On the dialog, turn the Saturation all the way down so it says **-100** and then click **OK**.



7. Now you should have a black and white photo. This is where the magic starts to happen.

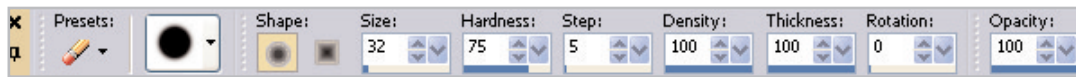
Erase to Reveal Hidden Color

8. Select the **Eraser** Tool from the Tools toolbar. On the Tool Options Palette at the top of the screen set:



- Size: **32**
- Hardness: **75**
- Step: **5**

Leave all the other settings alone.



9. Now, zoom in close on the phone booths in the photo. Place your cursor in the middle of one of the phone booths, click and drag. You'll see the red magically appear where ever you drag your mouse.



10. Continue erasing the phone booths until they're all red. As you work you may need a smaller eraser. You can change the size in the Tool Options Palette at the top of the screen.

11. If you find that you've over erased and area, exposing color where you don't want color, just right-click and drag over the area to un-erase.



12. That's all there is to it, once you've finished exposing the color in the photo, just save your work (choose **File > Save As**) and show it off!

Next Steps:

Now that you know how easy it is to selectively color photos, you can do this to all kinds of pictures. Try this technique on pictures of flowers or colorize the lips and eyes of people the sky's the limit! Give it a shot and make sure to share it with all your friends, they'll be amazed by how professional your photos look.

