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Paint.net 4.0.9 - Project 2 - Easter Eggs

Objectives:

Practice creating an original image using shapes and lines.

Practice editing image (colors, re-sizing, rotating, adding filters and effects).

Practice using layers.

Practice importing a saved image from file.

Practice removing white background.

Step 1:

Start a new Paint.net file. (File->New->Set resolution, 150-300 pixels/inch, and print size, 8.5x11). Save file Easter Egg 1

Step 2:

Use shapes and lines to create an easter egg. Practice re-sizing/rotating the shapes. Make sure to use different layers for each type of shape. (Note: In the Layers window, double click to bring up properties) It is ok if your shapes and lines go outside of the egg shape! To remove: highlight the correct layer, zoom in, use eraser tool, practice changing the brush width.

Step 3:

Find an image and save. Import image into Paint.net. (Layers->Import from file... ->choose file) Hide all other layers so you can remove background. Show all layers.

Step 4:

When your Easter Egg design is complete, you must combine layers (Merge layer down).

Step 5:

Use magic wand tool to select area to color. Use color wheel, color swatches, or color picker tool to select color. Use paint bucket tool to fill selected area with color. Continue until egg is fully colored.

Step 6:

Use magic wand tool to select the white background. Go to (Edit->Erase Selection) or press delete to remove the white background. Save file as PNG.

Step 7:

Experiment with (Adjustments->Hue/Saturation->move Hue slider) Make 2 different colored eggs and save them as Easter Egg_2 and Easter Egg_3. Experiment with (Effects). Create at least 1 more different look using an effect filter! Be sure to save your designs as PNG files if you want to keep the background transparent.

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