

Syllabus: Fun with Photoshop, Summer 2017
Saddleback College For Kids

- ◆ **Ticket Number:** 10206
- ◆ **Course ID:** Fun with Photoshop
- ◆ **Instructor:** Professor Laura Hoffman
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- ◆ **Class Meeting Days:** Mon – Thursdays July 24 – August 3, 8 times
- ◆ **Time:** 1:00pm– 2:50pm
- ◆ **Location of Class:** BGS 233
28000 Marguerite Parkway, Mission Viejo
Link to map: <https://www.saddleback.edu/maps>

Fun with Photoshop: lecture /demo/hands on

Using your own photographic images on Adobe Photoshop, you will create images that are truly your own. Learning the basics of Adobe Photoshop from an artistic point of view, students will learn to make dreamy surreal images, expressive self-portraits and apply special effects in Photoshop.

Class format:

The first half of class time will consist of demonstration & lecture where each student will follow along on computers; last half of class time will be hands-on lab time. Each student will receive a unique login to remember, in order to use a computer system for this 8-session class.

- ✓ Miss a class or fall behind? You will work on the buddy system. It will be important to team up with another student you trust and exchange contact information so you can stay on track.

◆ **Requirements**

- Have access to a camera or Smartphone.
- Have basic computer skills.
- Must be able to gain access to your own images; for example: know how to e-mail photos to yourself, and write to a flash drive to enable you to work on your own photographs in class.
- Back up all work on flash drive (supplied).
- Have access to a computer and access: <http://www.takeaclasswithlaura.com/college-for-kids.html> for all written resources.

Course outline: (subject to change, depending on class needs)

7/24/17 Monday, Day 1:

Introduction to class,
Determine level of expertise in class
Logging in and setting up Adobe Photoshop
Uploading Images to Photoshop

7/25/17 Tuesday, Day 2:

Brushes
Selections
Layers

7/26/17 Wednesday Day 3

Solving the Problem of the Boring Sky: Layer masks & brushes
Converting to Black and White: It's an art form!
Color Effects

7/27/17 Thursday Day 4:

Photography: Getting the best source for your images
Retouching Faces

7/31/17 Monday, Day 5:

Compositing
Fun with Filters & Effects
Exercise: Expressive Self Portrait

8/01/17 Tuesday, Day 6:

Exercise: Practice with effects & filters

8/02/17 Wednesday, Day 7:

Visual story telling, surreal images
Work on Dreamscape image

8/03/17 Thursday, Day 8:

Workflow: Best practices: outputting & publishing images
Post your finished work to this special gallery designed for College For Kids 2017:
<https://xinacat.smugmug.com/upload/TbQj5s/Guest12>
Portfolio Review

Projects:

1. Expressive Self Portrait
2. Effects and Filters – Before and After
3. Dreamscape

Image File Labeling convention: LastnameFirst initial, underscore, Name of assignment.

Example: **Hoffmanlaura_Expressive SelfPortrait.jpg**
Hoffmanlaura_Effects Filters.jpg
Hoffmanlaura_Dreamscape.jpg

Note: Your project files must be saved as either a .jpg or .png file in order to upload to Smugmug.com at the end of this College For Kids session.

Reminders:

1. Read required posts on takeaclasswithlaura.com
2. Bring your photos downloaded to your flash drive (supplied to you on the first day of class). Bring it with you every day with your images, ready to work.

Here is how we are sharing .jpeg files, at the end of the course (by 1: 15pm, 8/03/17):

To **upload** your assignment (must be saved as a .jpg or .png file only), click on:
<https://xinacat.smugmug.com/upload/TbQj5s/Guest12>
Password key is Laura5

To **view** your images, click on: *(this is NOT the upload link)*
<https://xinacat.smugmug.com/2017S-Saddleback/Fun-with-Photoshop-CFK-2017/>

This is a special guest gallery created for this class, called “Fun with Photoshop CFK.”

Summary:

Copy and paste the following URL to your favorite updated browser. You will upload your labeled image for every assignment. Go to:

1. <https://xinacat.smugmug.com/upload/TbQj5s/Guest12>
2. Upload your final photograph for the assignment: **Drag and drop** your image for each assignment (or browse).

Labeling image: LAST Name_First Initial_Assignment.

For example: **Hoffmanl_DOF**

- ✓ Bring backup on flash drive in case our network is down.
- ✓ Always bring your flash drive to class
- ✓ Save your progress often as you work! Save as you go, it will save you hours.

Note: Syllabus is subject to change, based on class needs.

Final note:

Pay attention, experiment and have FUN! Don't be afraid to make a few mistakes here and there. That is the best way to learn! And besides, if you mess up, that is what COMMAND-Z was invented for!

Important Links you need:

Access current files and forms for this class here:

Lecture notes will only be available for one week after the end of the class.

<http://www.takeaclasswithlaura.com/college-for-kids.html>

Upload Photos to this link and label, according to naming convention on this syllabus:

<https://xinacat.smugmug.com/upload/TbQj5s/Guest12>

College For Kids Protocol:

College For Kids works to provide a safe, fun, and enriching environment for all participants. In order to maintain this standard, all students are expected to behave in a manner that promotes the safety and well-being of themselves and others, behave respectfully, and act responsibly. All Saddleback College and School District policies, procedures, and rules will be upheld during College For Kids.

We expect all students, Program staff, parents, guardians, and other adults to show social responsibility and respect for one another. In cases when this rule is not followed, the child and/or adult may be removed from the Program and/or discipline may be involved.

College For Kids maintains a zero tolerance for bullying and/or physical harm. Any student behavior, which endangers the safety of any person, impedes the rights others, disrupts the operation of College For Kids, or damages property will not be tolerated. Saddleback College and School District policies involving alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or weapons of any kind will be upheld completely. Any major behavioral infraction, such as those listed above, will lead to the immediate dismissal from College For Kids and suspension from Program re-enrollment for one year.

- ✓ Absolutely NO distractions are allowed in class, including Smartphones, gaming devices, and mp3 players. All electronics including cell phones must be turned OFF.

These procedures help to ensure a fun, safe, enriching environment for everyone.

IMPORTANT:

1. Please note: only water bottles with secure lids are allowed in media center. Absolutely no food or open drinks are allowed, in order to protect the equipment.
2. All desktop files and work in progress files you create on the systems **MUST** be backed up to your supplied flash drive every day before class ends.