

CUTTING OUT PHOTOS with unusual shapes

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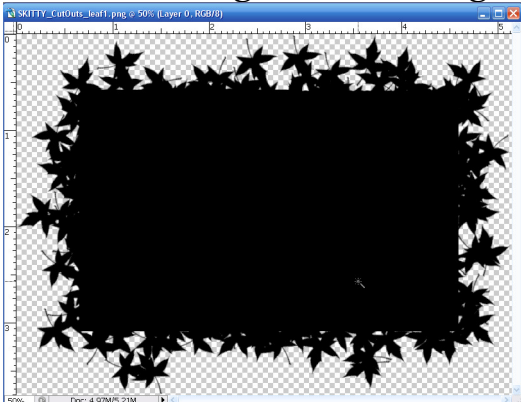
You don't have to crop your photos in simple shapes alone, any shape you can find or make, can be used to make creative edges on your photos!

Here's an example:

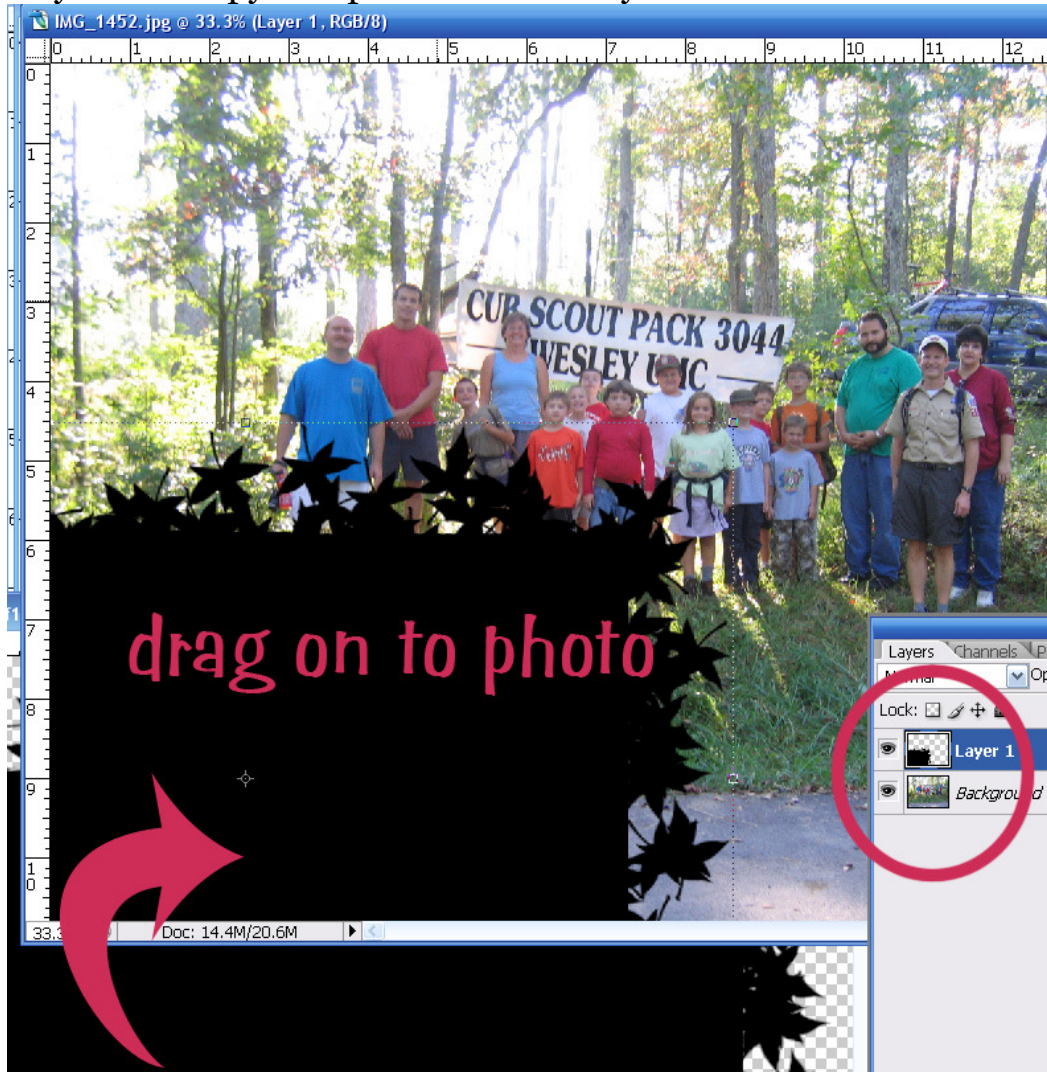


It's so easy – just a few simple steps:

1. Find or draw a shape. I made this one with one of the brushes in photoshop, by going around the edges of a rectangle.



2. Open your photo, and move the shape you made onto it. In PS and PSE you can drag it over, in PSP you can copy and paste as a new layer.



Notice that it makes a new layer for the shape! You want the shape on a separate layer above your photo!

3. Move the shape until it covers the part of the photo you want to use. You can lower the opacity of the shape if you need to, in order to see what you're doing!



4. With the shape layer active, **SELECT** the shape. In PS and PSE you can use the magic wand, or Cntrl+click on the layer thumbnail.

5. Click on the PHOTO layer to select it.



6. Copy the selection – **CNTRL+C** in most programs, or Edit> Copy.

7. Go to your layout and Paste! - **CNTRL+V** in most programs, or Edit >Paste.



HAVE FUN!!