

PHOTOSHOP CREATING A TEXTURED ART BORDER

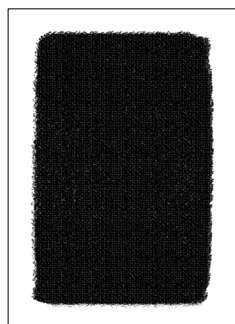
Introduction

It is simple to create your own Textured Art Border which you can use to present your images to give a textured art feel to them.

1. First go to **File > New** and in the dialogue box select the **A4** preset and set the resolution to 300 pixels/inch. Click **OK**.
2. Select the **Paint Bucket Tool** from the tool box and in the options bar along the top change **Foreground** to **Pattern** from the drop down.
3. Now click on the window to the right of this to open the **Pattern Picker** and click on the small arrow to the top right. From the menu select **Artist Surfaces**.
4. Choose one of these surfaces as your background texture and click to select it. Now click in the new document to fill it with this texture.
5. Now go to **Image > Adjust > Levels** and darken the texture by moving the **Grey Slider** to the right so that the overall image becomes a dark grey but the texture is still visible
6. Using a soft edged **Brush Tool (Hardness 20%)** with the **Foreground Colour** set to **White**; roughly paint round the edge of the image (**Opacity 100%**) to give a one inch border – **Guides** can be used if necessary.
7. Finally save the Textured Art Border you have just created as a PSD file. The next worksheet will show you how to use it.

Hint

When you become more confident with these steps try experimenting with the different styles of brushes that can be found in the brush picker.



You should end up with something like this

