

Put Your Best Face Forward 2

In this session, you learn advanced skills to correct and enhance your cruise photos.

Here's a recap

»» To download the photo-editing software we are using in the Digital Workshop

We use *Windows Live Photo Gallery* for photo-editing in the Digital Workshop. At home, to get a free copy of *Windows Live Photo Gallery* and other *Windows Live* features, go to <http://download.live.com>.

»» To transfer images from your camera to the computer

1. In the Digital Workshop, insert SD or memory stick directly into computer; insert all other card types into the external card reader. If your home computer does not have an internal card reader, you can purchase an external reader for about \$20 or use the cable that came with your camera.
2. If the *Autoplay* or *Import Media Files* box appears, click red X to close box.
3. Click the *Windows Start Button* and scroll to *Windows Live Photo Gallery*. Click it. When the program opens:
 - Click *File*
 - Click *Import from a camera or scanner*.
4. *Import Photos and Videos* box appears:
 - Click *Import*.
 - Click *Import all new items now* if you'd like to transfer all images.
 - Name the collection of images (optional - the default name will be the date).
 - Tag photos (optional).
5. Watch the progress of the import!
6. Do NOT click *Erase after importing* if you want to retain your photos on your media card as well as on the computer.

»» To create a nostalgic drawing

In *Windows Live Photo Gallery*

1. Click on the photo you wish to adjust.
2. Click *Fix* from the top menu.
3. Click *Adjust color*; slide *Saturation* bar left to 1/3.
4. Click *Adjust exposure*; slide both *Brightness* bar and *Contrast* bar right to 3/4.
5. Slide the *Shadows* bar and the *Highlight* bar left to 1/5.
6. Click on *Adjust detail* and slide the bar all the way to the right.
7. If you do not like the outcome of any of these adjustments, click *Undo* to revert to original.
8. Click *Back to Gallery* to view this and all images. *Windows Live Photo Gallery* automatically saves your nostalgic drawing. You can always revert to the original at this point or later by opening the photo, clicking *Fix*, then clicking *Revert*.

»» To create pop art

In *Windows Live Photo Gallery*

1. Click on the photo you wish to adjust.
2. Click *Fix* from the top menu.
3. Click *Adjust color*; slide *Saturation* bar right all the way. Consider whether to adjust *Color temperature* and/ or *Tint*.
4. Click *Adjust exposure*; slide the *Shadows*, *Highlight* and *Contrast* bars all the way to the right. Slide *Brightness* just a little to the left.
5. If you do not like the outcome of any of these adjustments, click *Undo* to revert to original.
6. Click *Back to Gallery* to view this and all images. *Windows Live Photo Gallery* automatically saves your pop art image. You can always revert to the original at this point or later by opening the photo, clicking *Fix*, then clicking *Revert*.



»» To correct a photo using Paint

In *Windows Live Photo Gallery*

1. Click on the photo you wish to adjust.
2. Click *Extras* from the top menu; click *Open with* and then click *Paint*.
3. Adjust image zoom, if necessary, by clicking *View, Zoom, Custom, 200%*.
4. Two approaches:
 - a. Patch:
 - Click on dotted square icon
 - On image, draw box that you want to select as your patch
 - From top toolbar, click *Edit*; click *Copy*; click *Paste*
 - Patch will appear in upper left corner of image. Click and drag it to area you want to cover
 - Use color-select dropper icon and spray-can icon to blend edges of patch
 - b. Erase and refill:
 - Click eraser icon and erase offending element
 - Click color-select dropper icon and click on a color in the photo that would be appropriate to fill the erased portion. To fill, click on bucket icon and then on the erased area.
 - To blend, click color-select dropper icon and click on another appropriate color. Click on spray-can icon and then touch-up erased area.
5. If you do not like the outcome of any of these adjustments, click *Edit*, then *Undo* to undo one step at a time while still in the Paint tool. *Note:* You will not be able to revert back to the uncorrected photo after you leave the Paint tool and go back to Windows Live Photo Gallery.
6. Click red X, then click *Yes* to save the corrected image.
7. Click *Back to Gallery* to view all images.

»» To draw on a photo

In *Windows Live Photo Gallery*

1. Click on the photo you wish to adjust.
2. Click *Extras* from the top menu; click *Open with* and then click *Paint*.
3. Adjust image zoom, if necessary, by clicking *View, Zoom, Custom, 200%*.
4. Click on paint brush icon; choose stroke size and color. Paint away!
5. If you do not like the outcome, click *Edit*, then *Undo* to undo one stroke at a time while still in the Paint tool.
Note: You will not be able to revert back to the uncorrected photo after you leave the Paint tool and go back to *Windows Live Photo Gallery*.
6. Click red X, then click *Yes* to save the corrected image.
7. Click *Back to Gallery* to view all images.

»» To write on a photo

In *Windows Live Photo Gallery*

1. Click on the photo you wish to adjust.
2. Click *Extras* from the top menu; click *Open with* and then click *Paint*.
3. Adjust image zoom, if necessary, by clicking *View, Zoom, Custom, 200%*.
4. Click on the text icon; choose transparent or white opaque text box. Draw box on photo.
5. Select font, size, and other options. Choose text color, as well.