

## Creating Text from a Photograph

1. Find an image to use for this project. Save the image to your computer.

Example: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/algo/312667687/sizes/o/>

2. Open the picture using GIMP



3. Add text you want to insert the image into. Using a “fat” font will allow more of the picture to be seen. (Suggestions: Accent, Berlin Sans, Cairo, Chanson Heavy, etc.)

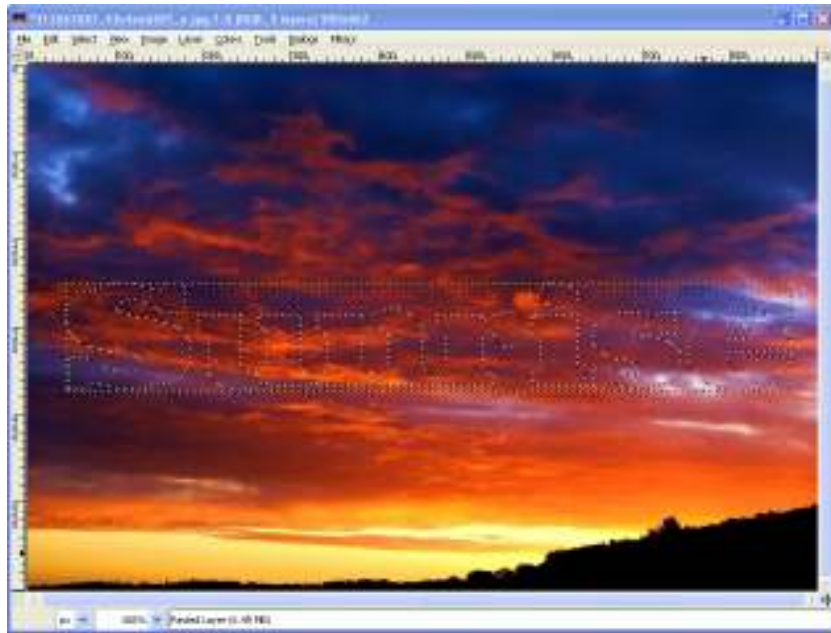


4. Position your text where you want it and right-click on the text layer (in the layer dialog box) and select “Alpha to Selection”

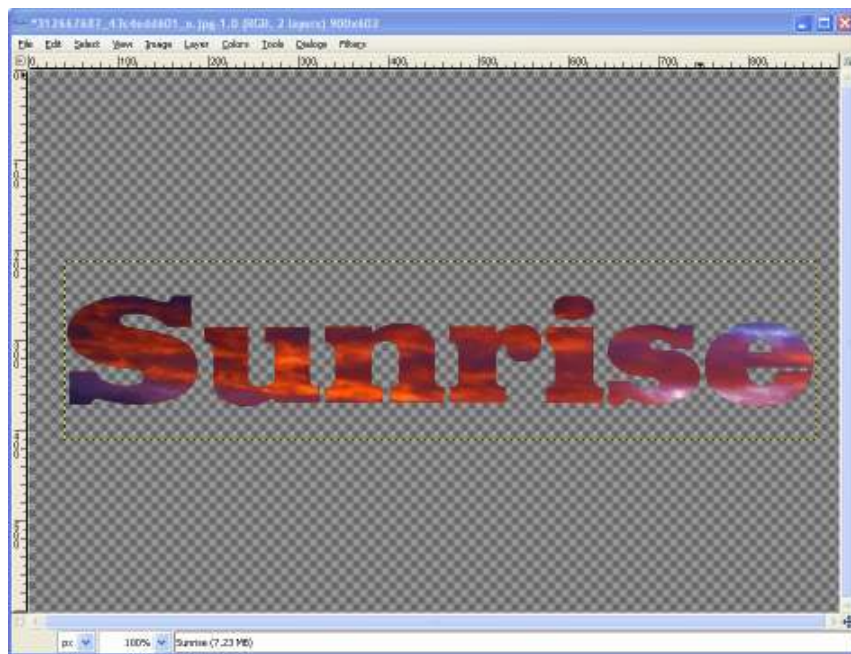
5. Make sure the picture layer (in the layer dialog box) is highlighted, then choose the copy function from the main menu bar and copy the original picture.

6. Now choose the text layer (in the layer dialog box) and paste the image you copied into the text layer.

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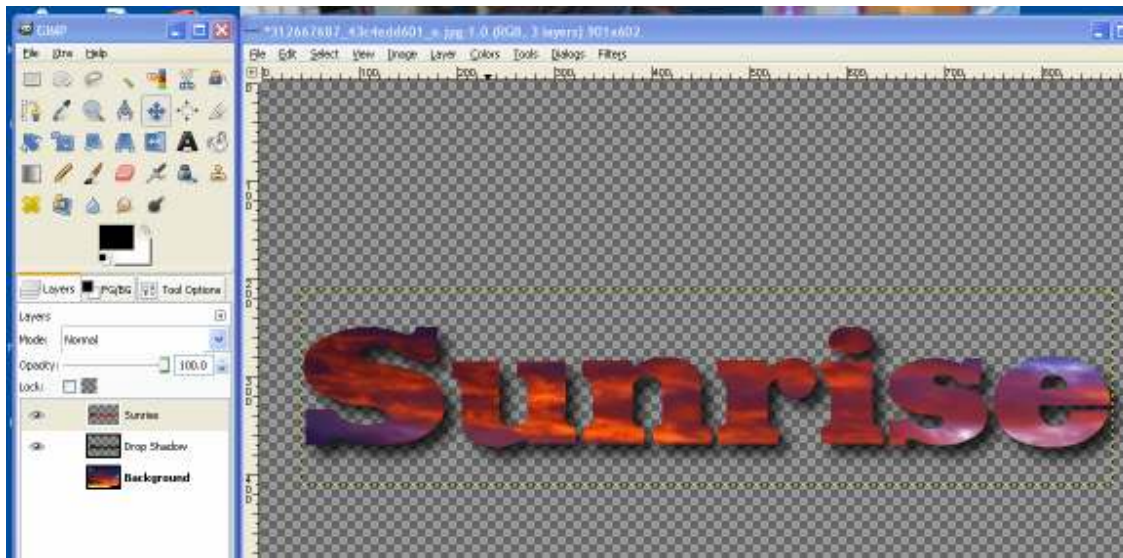


7. Anchor the pasted image into the text layer.
8. Hide the background layer (in the layer dialog box).



9. Add a bevel (Filters → Decor → Add Bevel) NOTE: Works better on some fonts than others.
10. Add a drop-shadow (Filters → Light and Shadow → Drop-Shadow)

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11. Save your image as a .jpg or .png to be able to use it on your web page or in a PowerPoint. Save your image as a .xcf if you want to edit it in GIMP. **NOTE:** Saving as a .png usually maintains the transparent background.