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Beginning Adobe Illustrator CS2

**Tutorial 2: City Scape**

1. Launch a new document. Once your page appears, show your Layers Palette.
   (Window>Show Layers)

2. Create 2 additional layers, one called “TEXT” and the other called “ARTWORK”. You should now have 3 layers (To create new layers, go into the right facing arrow in layers palette to “new layer.”)

3. Arrange the layers so that “TEXT” is on top with “ARTWORK” underneath and then “Layer 1” on the bottom. Drag the layers in the layers palette to rearrange them.

4. Double click on “Layer 1” and set the layer not to print, by unchecking the box next to “Print.” Anything you draw on this layer will appear on screen, but will not print.

5. Make the “ARTWORK” layer active (click on it) and then use your rectangle tool to draw buildings with windows. Use your Swatches Palette (Window>Show Swatches) to change colors. Try using some gradients in the Palette to create a 3D look.

6. Try the polygon tool (inside the oval tool section) to create interesting building and roof shapes. (To get a triangle, click once with the polygon tool on your artboard, and enter the number of sides.)

7. Be sure to overlap buildings to create that cramped city feeling!

8. Select your “TEXT” layer, by clicking once on it in your Layers Palette.

9. Select your Type Tool (the letter “T” in the Toolbox), click on your page and when you see a blinking insertion point in the text box, type your name. Change the typeface to Times 20 point through the Character Palette (Type>Character). Notice the color of the selection line underneath your name. It should be different than the color for the objects on the “ARTWORK” layer. If it’s the same color, then you didn’t change layers. Correct it by dragging the selection marker (little square) in your Layers Palette from “ARTWORK” layer to “TEXT” layer.

10. In your Layers Palette, hide all layers except “Layer 1” by clicking on the eyes next to the layers you wish to hide.

   Make sure “Layer 1” is selected and draw a 32 point star, about 2 inches high. (Click once on the artboard with the star tool to enter the number of points. Make sure you use 2 different radius values or your star will look like a circle.)

   Fill the star with a pattern. Using your zoom tool (looks like a magnifying glass), press and drag a rectangle around the star. A dotted line (marquee) will show as your draw. Save this view as “Star View” (View Menu> New View).

   Show your other layers again (click on spot where eye used to be). Don’t worry if the 32 pt. star looks strange because we set that layer not to print. Print out a copy to hand in with your disk.

**Due next class**