Selection Tools in Photoshop

How to use and What to Use For

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- The category Names are mine I just wanted to break them out in different levels.

- I am using Photoshop 2021 version 22.3.0

- On older versions of PS some the tools are not available.

- The goal is provide basic information on the selection tools within Photoshop providing simple demonstrations and use within workflows.
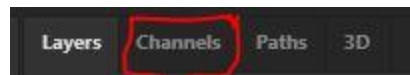
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- **Basic and Intermediate tools March 25 with examples**
- Advanced tools and Selection refinement tools April 8
- Workflow demo April 8

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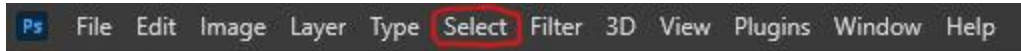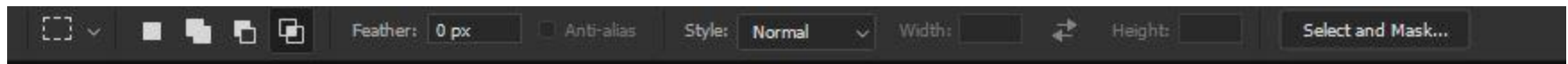
- What are Photoshop Selections
  - A selection isolates part of an image so you can work on that area without affecting the rest of the image.
  - The majority of the tools are found on the Tool Bar in Photoshop
  - Others are found in the Selection pull down menu.
  - And then there are the Channels
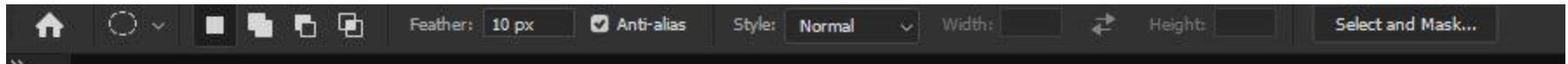
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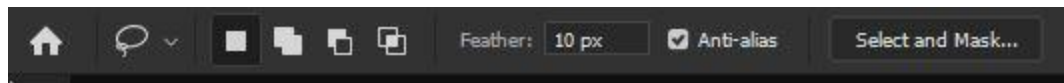
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- Selection tool menu bars
  - Rectangle Marquee tool
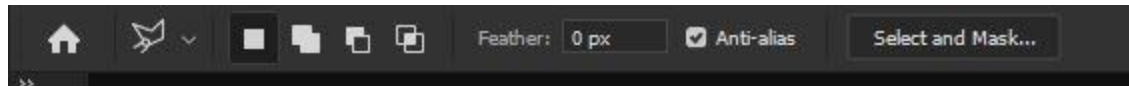

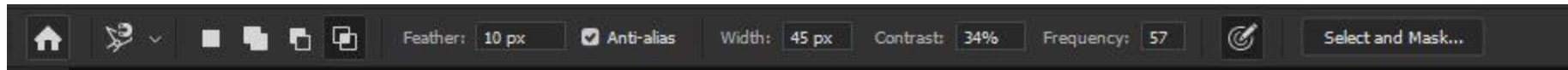
  - Elliptical Marquee Tool

  - Lasso Tool

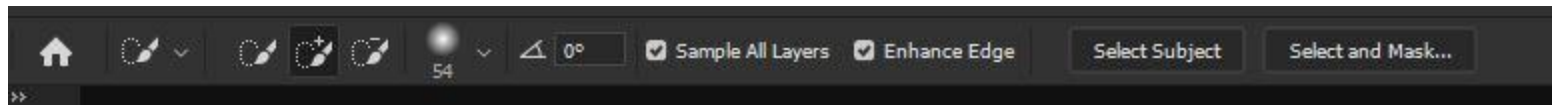 - Polygonal Lasso Tool

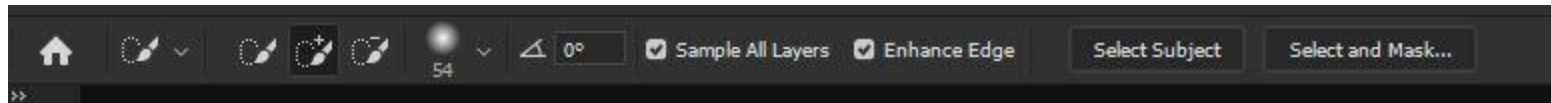# Selection Tools in Photoshop

- Selection tool menu bars (continued)
  - Magnetic Lasso Tool

  - Quick Selection Tool

  - Magic Wand Tool

  - Object Select Tool
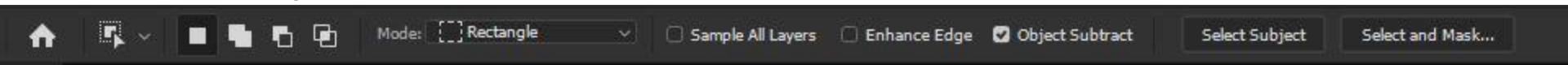
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- Common short cut keys Selection Tools
  - Alt - Remove part of selection post initial selection
  - Shift – Add part of selection post initial selection
  - Control+shift+I – inverts selection
  - Control+J – Create new layer based on selection
  - Control+D – Deselects selection
  - Control+Alt – After selection edit, copy move and paste
  - V – moves the current selection on the screen (Cuts and paste)
  - No key – click on selection and move pre any edits

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- Basic Selection Tools
  - Marquee Tools "M" (use shift+M to cycle thru)
    - Rectangle Marquee Tool
    - Elliptical Marquee Tool
      - Common short cut Keys
        - » Space - move selection while making selection
        - » Shift – Create square/circle while making selection
        - » Alt+Drag – Draw from center
        - » Shift+Alt-drag - Draw from center and make square/Circle
    - Single Row/Column Marquee Tools

  - Lasso Tools "L" (use shift+L to cycle thru)
    - Lasso Tool
      - Additional Short Cut Keys
        - » Alt (During Initial selection) - change to Polygonal lasso tool (Straight line)
    - Polygonal Lasso Tool
      - Additional Short Cut Keys
        - » Alt (During Initial selection) - change to Lasso tool (Freehand)
        - » Shift (During Initial selection) – Creates vertical, horizontal or 45 degree line
    - Magnetic Lasso Tool
      - Additional Short Cut Keys
        - » Alt (During Initial selection) - change to Lasso tool
        - » Alt and click (During Initial selection) - change to Polygonal lasso tool
        - » Left and right bracket adjust size of circle (Width)

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- Intermediate Selection Tools
  - AI based Selection Tools "W" (use shift+W to cycle thru)
    - Quick Selection Tool
    - Magic Wand Tool
    - Object Select Tool
  - Subject Select Tool In Pull down Select menu or select any tool in the AI based selections and it will be on the menus BAR

Mode: Rectangle   Sample All Layers   Enhance Edge   Object Subtract   Select Subject   Select and Mask...

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- Photoshop demos

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Question and Answers

Credits

- Adobe
- Kelby One Web (kelbyone.com)
- Photoshopcafe (YouTube)
- Photoshop Training Channel (YouTube)
- Pixemperfect (YouTube)
- PHLearn (YouTube)