

Workshop excerpt taken from the live webinar

# Create Unique Graphics by Combining Adobe Stock Images

Combine images together from Adobe Stock to create an entirely new image for your design projects. Give these Photoshop techniques a try for yourself.



## 1. Download the following assets from Adobe Stock

[Rainbow Beach, Queensland, Australia](#) by WITTE-ART.com  
[Close-up of sportsman...](#) by dima\_sidelnikov

## 2. Import the background image

Create a new Photoshop document at 1500x1000 pixels and import the background image (#77691536) by choosing Place Linked from the File menu.

- Scale the image to 315%
- Flip image horizontally

## 3. Place the runner image into the composition

Choose Place Linked from the File menu and locate the runner image (#232946672).

- Scale runner to 114%
- Rotate to -21°
- Position at the bottom-right of the canvas

## 4. Select Subject and apply a Layer Mask

Click the Quick Select Tool in the tool bar, then Click the Select Subject button in the Options bar.

- Make adjustments to the selection (*add/remove*)
- With the selection still active, add a Layer Mask to the layer



## 5. Adjust the Colors with a Curves Adjustment

Add a Curves Adjustment layer to the composition and make sure it is clipped grouped into the runner layer.

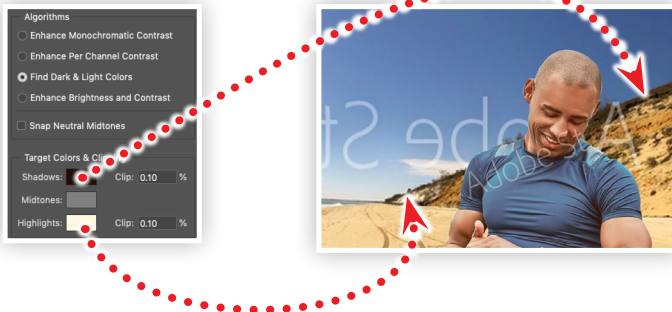
- Select the adjustment icon in the adjustment layer
- Open the Properties panel
- Option+Click (*Mac*) or Alt+Click (*Win*) the Auto button



## 6. Choose the Shadow and Highlight colors

In the Auto Correction Options dialog box, choose Find Dark & Light Colors from the Algorithms section.

- Click the Shadow swatch and choose a dark area of the image
- Adjust the color to be a little darker
- Click the Highlight swatch and sample a light area of the image
- Adjust the color to be a little lighter
- Click OK, then click No to save target colors as new defaults



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