

# Digital Diva

## Photoshop Keyboard Commands

Learning to use keyboard commands in Photoshop instead of the mouse simplifies and speeds up your workflow. Here are some very useful ones.

**These commands fill the entire layer:**

To fill with Foreground color, press **Alt-Backspace** (Mac:Option-Delete) .

To fill with Background color, press **Control-Backspace** (Mac:Command-Delete).

**These commands only fill areas in the layer where there are pixels** (preserving transparency).

To fill with Foreground color, press **Alt-Shift-Backspace** (Mac: Option-Shift-Delete)

To fill with Background color, Press **Control-Shift-Backspace** (Mac:Command-Shift-Delete)

If you are using these commands to fill a layer mask be sure to press D first to have the default colors of black and white.

Short and sweet this month, but I hope you will find it useful. Next month I'm going to show you how to prepare your files for digital entry, size, color space and file type, with the click of one button using the most useful tool in Photoshop, Actions!

Wishing you all a Happy New Year and great picture taking,  
Susannah.