

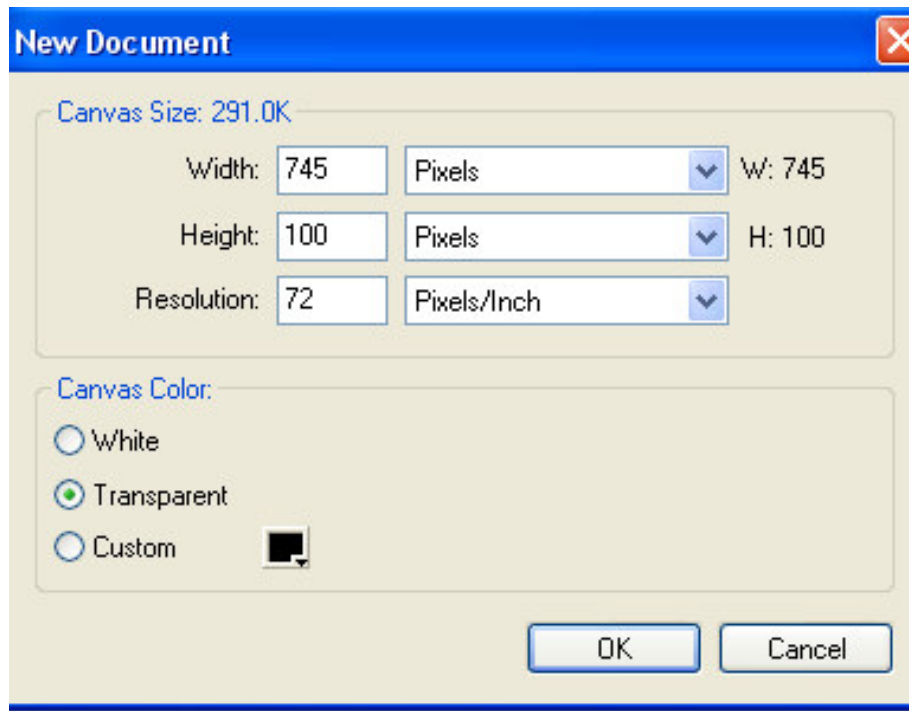
Task Card # 7

Objectives:

- ↪ Participants will be able to use FireworksMX to create a simple webpage header.
- ↪ Participants will create layers, export and save the graphic.

Step #1: Can I create a graphic to put on the top of my webpages?

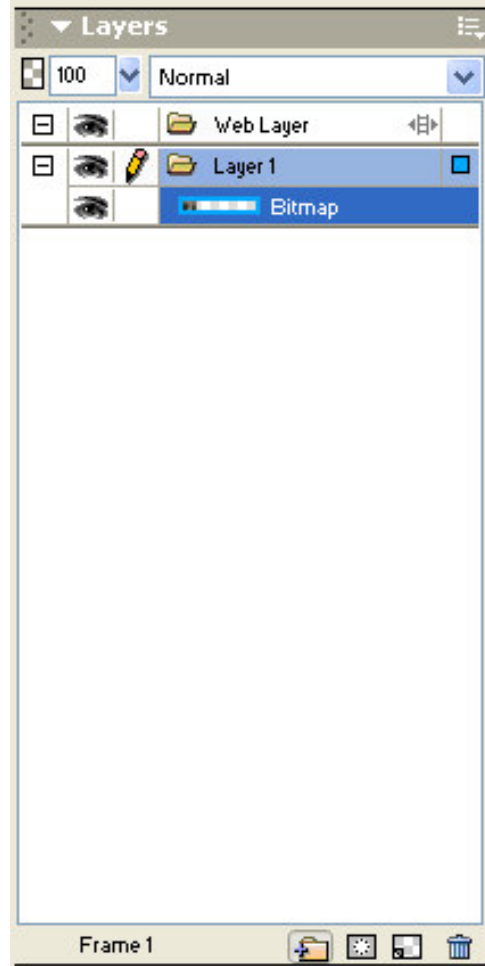
- ⇐ From the top toolbar, click on **“File”** then **“New”**. A new window will appear. Inside the **“Width”** field, enter 745 and select **“Pixels”** from the drop down menu. Inside the **“Height”** field, enter 100 and select **“Pixels”** from the drop down menu. Inside the **“Resolution”** field, enter 72 and select **“Pixels/Inch”** from the drop down menu. Within the **“Canvas Color:”** section, select **“Transparent”** and then select **“OK”**.



- ⇐ You now have a blank canvas to create a great picture for the top of our page. The layout is very similar to DreamweaverMX. For every tool or selection, the properties box at the bottom of the screen changes to give you more options.

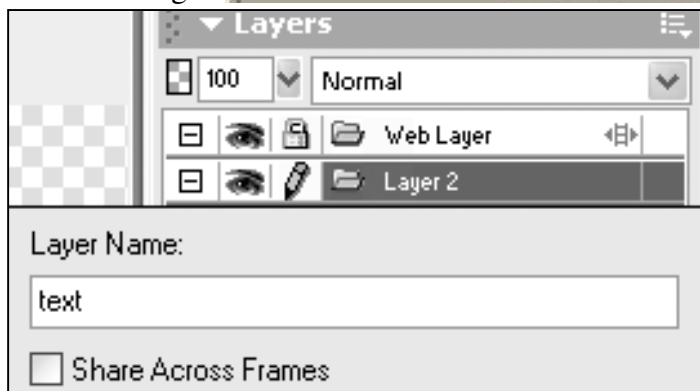
Step #2: How can I put some existing logos and pictures into this graphic?

- ⇐ From the top toolbar, click on “**File**” then “**Import**”. A new window will appear. Find the location of the logo or picture then click “**Open**”. Your cursor (when it is over the canvas) will turn into a sideways L. Find the area that you would like the top left hand corner of the picture to be. Then click and hold the left mouse button as you drag toward where you would like the bottom right corner of the picture to be. When you are satisfied, release the mouse button. Your picture is now in the canvas.



Step #3: How can I put a text on a different layer?

- ⇐ First, make sure that the “**Layer**” sidebar window is open. If it is not, click on it or hit F2. Within this sidebar, click on the button at the bottom of this window with a plus sign superimposed over a folder. It will insert another layer.
- ⇐ To rename the layer “text”, double click on the layer and then type “text” into the field that appears.
- ⇐ To make that layer invisible, click on the eye icon beside the layer’s title.
- ⇐ Locking a layer will keep it from being accidentally changed while you are working on the graphic. Click on the space between the eye icon and the layer’s name. A lock will appear to signify that it is locked. Click on it again to unlock the area.

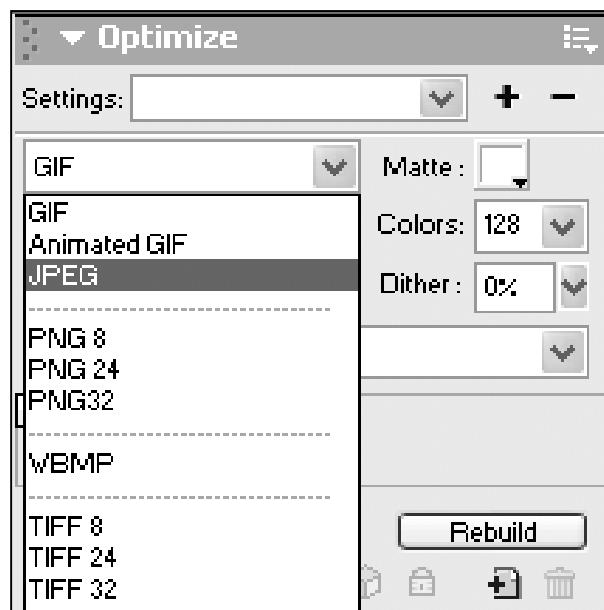


Step #4: How can I put a text on my new layer?

- ⇐ First, make select the layer that you would like to create the text on. Click on the “A” in the left hand toolbar. Change the properties in the “**Properties Box**” to make the text appear as you desire. Then click at the appropriate place on the canvas and enter your text.

Step #5: How can I put the picture into my webpage?

- ⇐ First, from the “**Optimize**” sidebar window, select “**JPEG**” from the drop down menu shown in the picture below.



- ⇐ Then click on “**File**” in the top toolbar then “**Export...**”. Select the folder to save the file in (your webpage’s image folder) then name the folder and save it.
- ⇐ Return to DreamweaverMX and insert the graphic into the top cell of the main page’s table.

