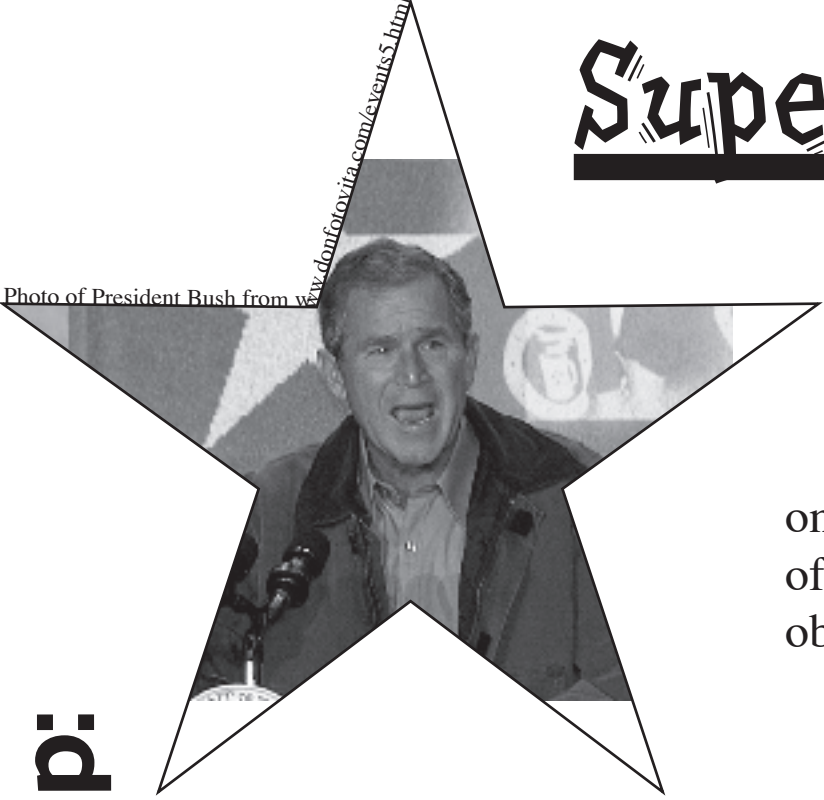


Superstar Tricks

Photo of President Bush from www.danfotovira.com/events5.htm



Masking is a way of covering part of the object so that only a portion of it appears through a shape drawn with any of the drawing tools on the tool palette. Many kinds of objects can be masked.

Creating The Mask

1

Draw or select the object you want to use as a masking object. In this case we used a star created with the Polygon tool. To draw the star, double click on the Polygon tool. In the dialogue box, select 5 sides and set the inset at 54%. Click OK. Return to the screen and Click-Hold-Drag a star about 7 picas by 7 picas.

2

Go to File on the menu bar and scroll to Place. Find the .tif file you want to place, choose it and place it on your screen. Resize it until you are happy with the size.

3

Select the object you want to mask (the .tif file/ photo). Choose Edit> Copy, select the empty shape and choose: Edit>Paste Into

4

Once you have placed the photo/.tif into the shape, choose the white arrow from the tool bar to move the graphic around inside the shape.

5

To select the masking or the masked objects once the objects have been grouped, press.... And click the object you want to select. If the masked object is text, you can simply click the text tool in the visible area of the masked text object.

Experiment with this InDesign Option (can also be done in PageMaker, although the steps are slightly different.)



Fun Shapes

Photos can be placed in ovals or other odd shapes, saving you time and art charges.



Fun Ideas

Words can be cropped easily into boxes or shapes for fun headline treatments.

Parkway Central Corral/Design Tip:

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