

Photoshop Elements

6–8 CURVED TEXT

© Darry D Eggleston, DarryD@darryd.com
Click on the blue, underlined text to go to its linked reference.¹



Anyone can create straight-line text in Photoshop Elements; but, some times, there's a need to create curved text. Here's how to do it.

1. If you've not working in an existing file, create a new one by selecting File ➤ New Document from the MenuBar.
2. I recommend setting the size to 7.5" (width) by 5" (height) at 200 ppi (**Figure 1**). That's the working area if you fold a standard, 8.5" x 11" card stock in half and set your margins to 0.5" all the way around.

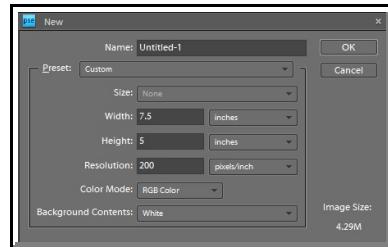


Figure 1

3. Set the Text (**Figure 2**):
 - ① Select the Text tool.
 - ② Select the Font Face.
 - ③ Select the Appearance.
 - ④ Select the Font Size.
 - ⑤ Select the Justification.
 - ⑥ Select the font's Color.

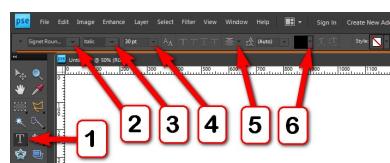


Figure 2

4. If you don't have a favorite font, I recommend "Signet Roundhand" for fancy fonts although "Signature" font is more frequently chosen by others (**Figure 3**).



Figure 3

5. Type the text (**Figure 4**).



Figure 4

¹ Permission for reproduction in whole or in part is granted to groups and organizations for internal, non-profit use provided credit is given to the author along with the copyright notice: Article reprinted with permission. Copyright © 2010 Darry D Eggleston, <http://DarryD.com>. Editors: PegEgg Eggleston & Parker Monroe.

6. Select the text (**Figure 5**).



Figure 5

7. Click on the Curved Text icon (**Figure 6**).



Figure 6

8. If the font and styles you've selected are not capable of being curved, you'll see a popup warning (**Figure 7**). Just left-click on "OK" button.



Figure 7

9. Select the Warp Text you want (**Figure 8**):

- ① Click on the drop-down arrow next to Style.
- ② Select the Style.
- ③ Click on "OK" button.



Figure 9

10. Set the "Arc" Bend and Distortion and click on "OK" button (**Figure 9**).

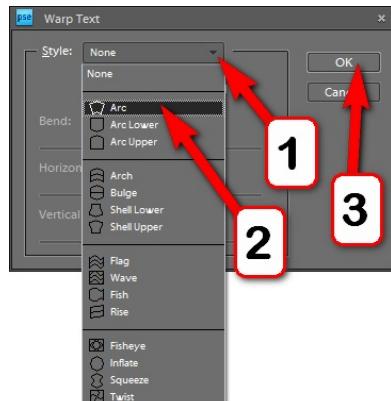


Figure 8

11. The "Arc Lower" is set the same way (**Figure 10**).



Figure 10