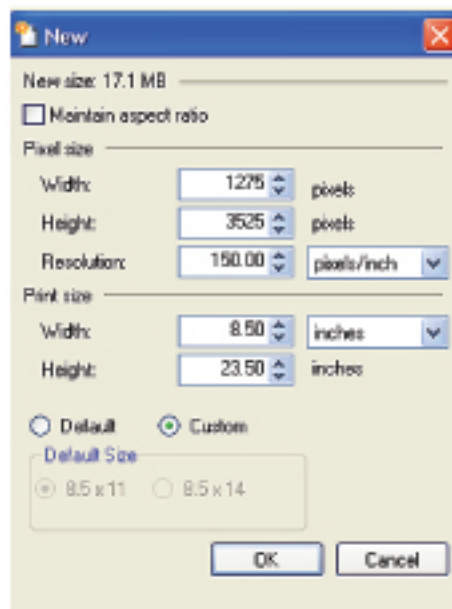


Creating a Banner File within Fabric Studio™

There are many different ways to create projects within the Fabric Studio™ and one of my favorites is creating silk scarves using silk on a roll. If you have a standard printer (8.5 width) you will need to print your scarves in at least two sections. Most printers allow you to print in the banner mode up to 23 inches. Before we get into printing your projects let's go over how to setup your project within the Fabric Studio™.

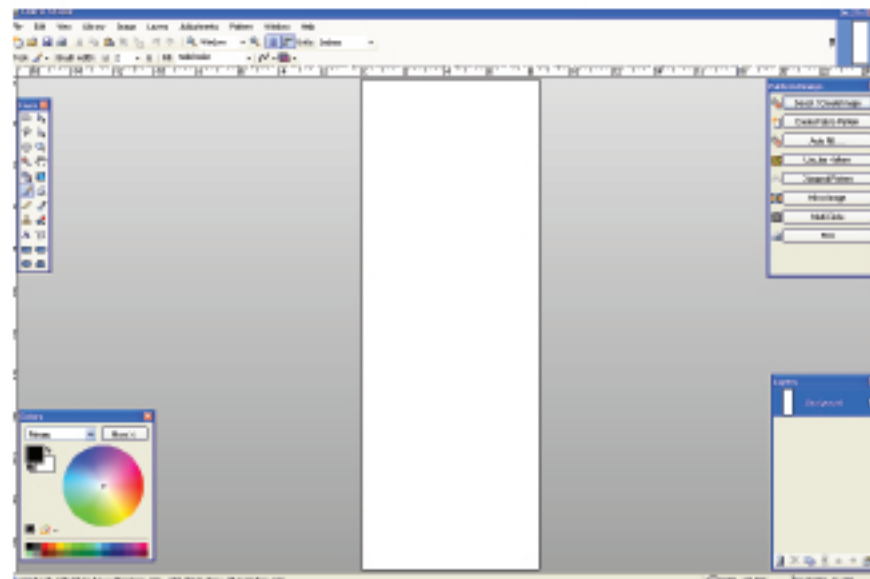
To begin you will need to create a custom file: File/New/Custom, select your resolution, width and length.



I like to keep the resolution at 150 Dpi because the files get to large and take up to much memory.

Before you pick the height, check out the maximum height your printer will allow under custom settings. Each printer is different, so make sure you do your research before you start.

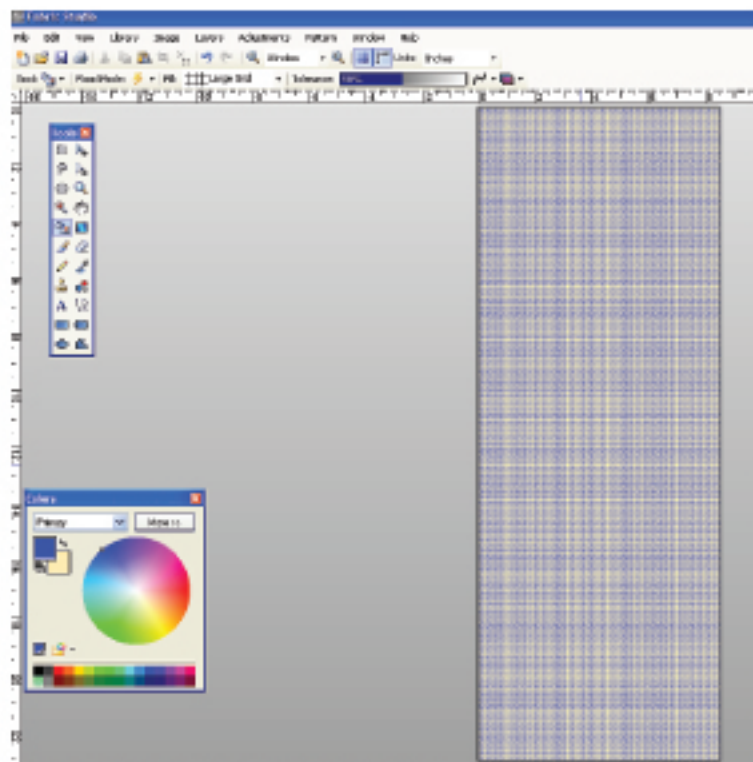
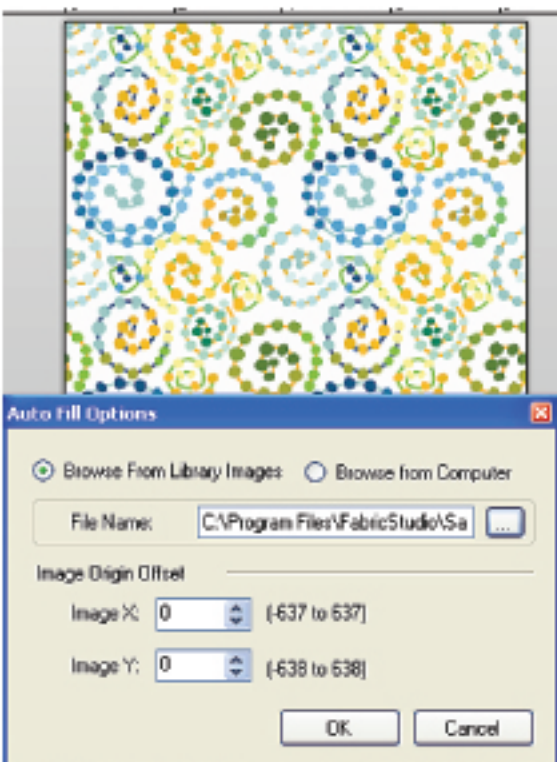
Click on okay once you have your correct settings for your project. A new workspace will appear which represents your custom size file. Check out the size using the rulers.



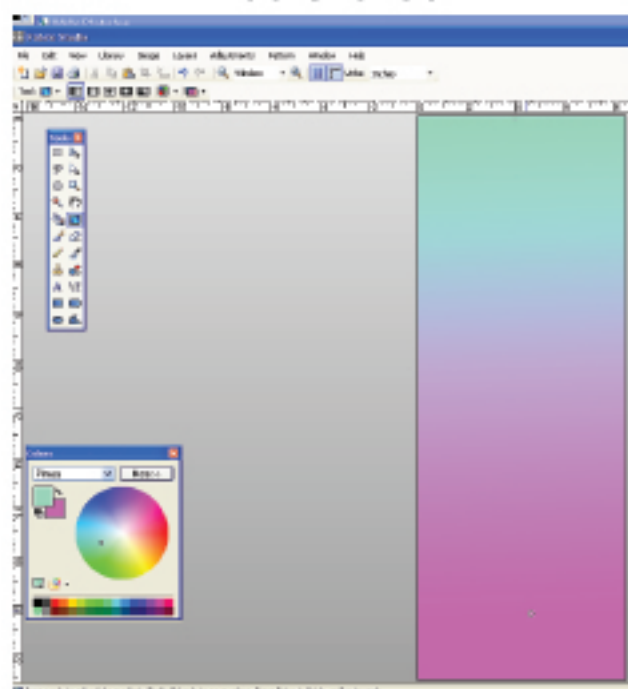
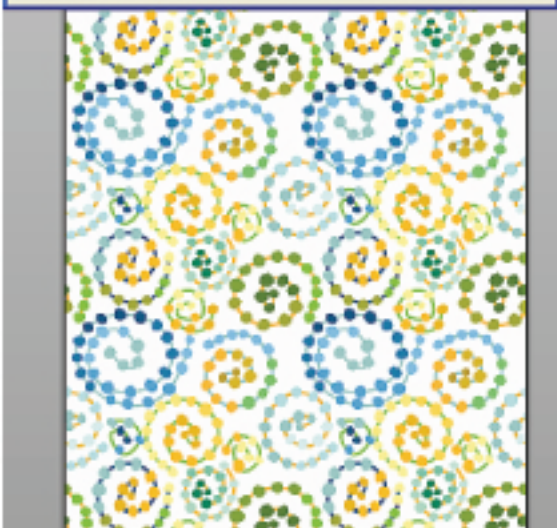
Before you begin the process of laying out your project, make sure your photos are open within the program and remember to resize them. Go to Image/Resize/Resolution/Width/Height. You might also want to Crop your images using either the Rectangle Select Tool or the Eclipse Tool.

The next step is to pick your background layer. You have the option of using the Auto Fill function of the program, or maybe you might just want to your use one of the Paint Bucket Textures or even a Gradient Wipe for your background.

Texture/Paint Bucket

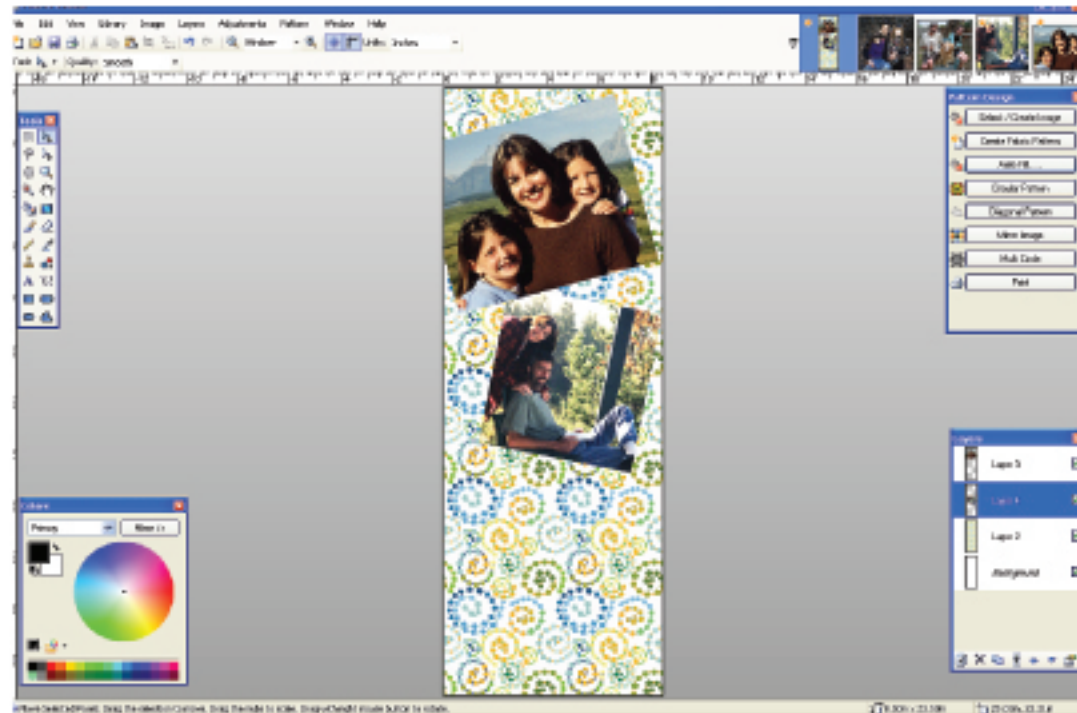


Gradient Tool



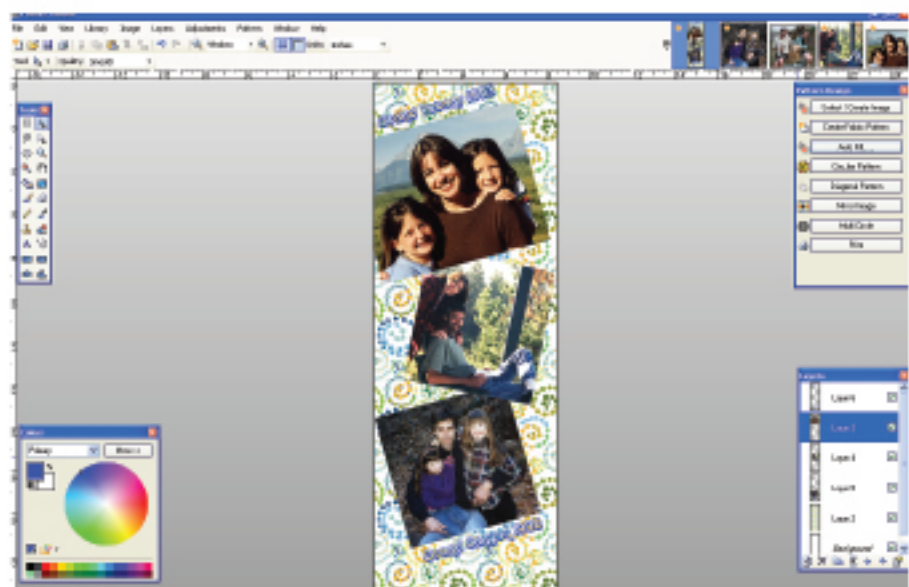
Auto Fill Option

You are now ready to place your first image in your banner file. Before you begin, add a layer in the Layer Box. Go to your first image, using the Move Selected Pixel Tool, click on the image and you will notice a box of broken lines around the outside edge. Go to Copy, then go back to your banner file, and then Paste the image into the new layer. Your photo will appear in the upper left. You can move your image by holding down your left mouse button and place that image anywhere on the workspace. To rotate the image, use the right button of your mouse. Hold it down and pull one of the corners to rotate, when your done, release the mouse button.



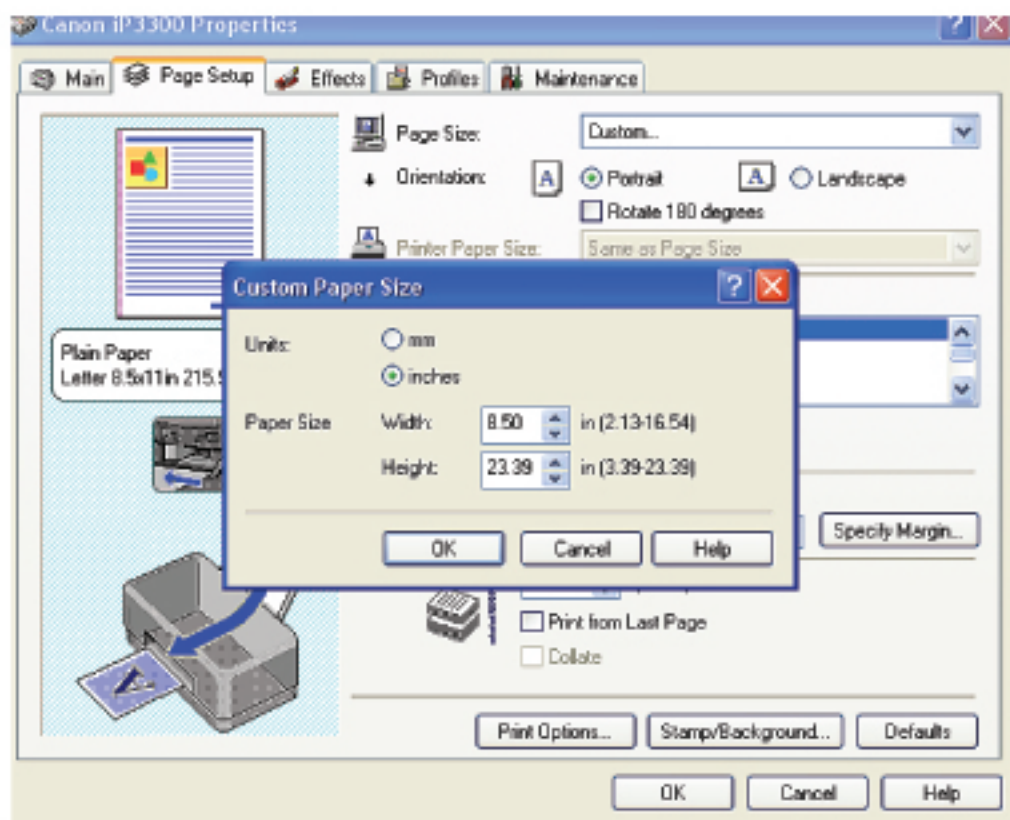
Add your next image, first adding a new layer, then placing that image on that layer. If your images are on different layers, it will be easy for you to go back and resize or move them. Keep on going until you have all your images in place.

Using the arrows at the bottom of the Layer Box, you are able to bring your photos to the front, or move them to the back. It's a great tool when you overlap your images. Try adding some text to your project!

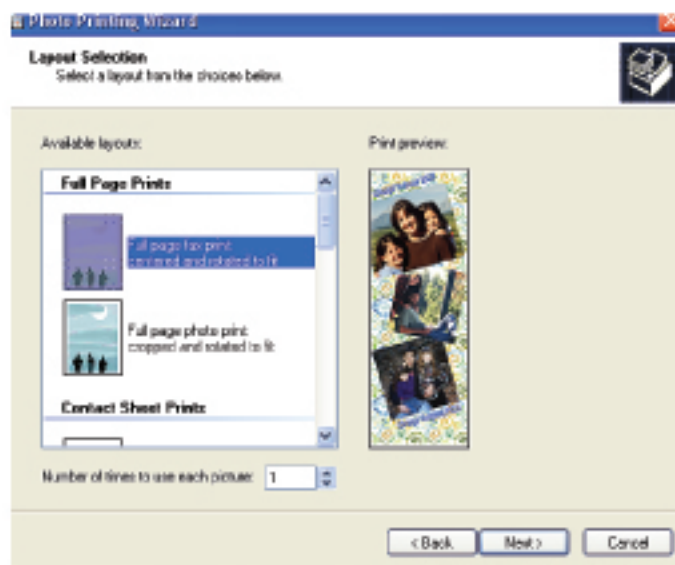


Once your project is complete, its time to print. You will need to make several adjustments to print your banner workspace. Each printer will be just a little different. Make sure you checkout how to print custom sizes and that you are able to preview your project before your print.

Most of the time, page setup has the custom setting that you will need to use. When you open the Print Wizard, click on Printing Preferences, than go to Page Setup. You will need to find the Custom Setting, and put in your workspace size.. Read the instruction for paper setting that come with the fabric rolls.



Once you selected your size, continue on to preview. It is very important that you make sure your preview, and your project look the same. I encourage you to print on plain paper before trying your silk fabric to make sure your setting are correct.



Its time to cut your fabric to match your work file. If you fabric is curling you might need to iron it on the paper side on a low setting. Place your fabric in your printer. Hold your fabric upright until the it catches and starts printing.

Save your file as an .fs.

You now are ready to go on to the next panel of your silk scarf.

Good Luck with your project!