

# Fireworks by MACROMEDIA:

A **MACROMEDIA SUITE** Graphics Program that allows:

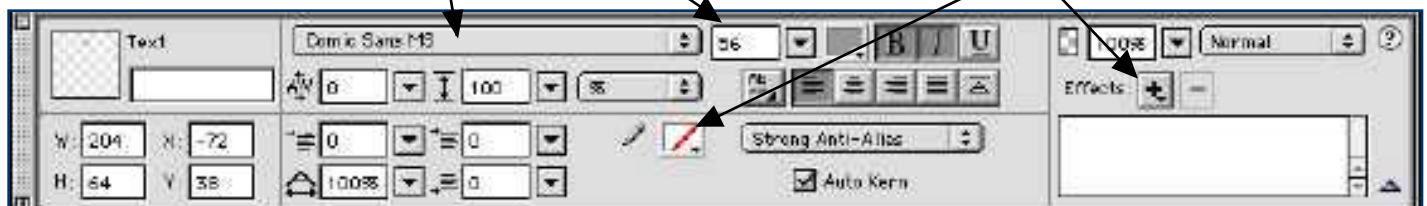
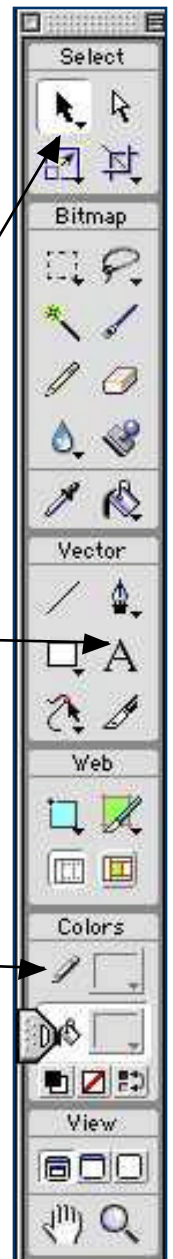
- construction of a fancy text banner (Word Art +++)
- overlaying text onto an image, adding “captions”
- cropping an image/photo/clipart
- modifying an image (color/subjects, etc.), merging, etc.

## Introduction:

- Click on START MENU / ALL PROGRAMS /  
“Macromedia” (New program) /  
> Double click on YELLOW Fireworks icon /  
Click out of welcome screen /
- Be sure that the TOOLS panel is open on the left  
(If not, click on top menu “Window/ Tools”)

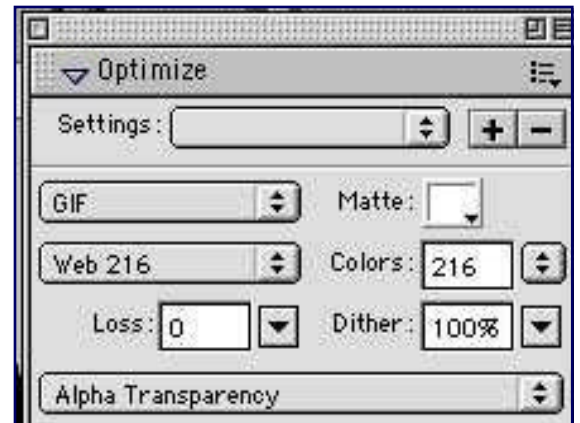
## 1. Making a FANCY Text Banner:

- Click File / New  
(default is a 500 X 500 pixels “Canvas” w/white bkg.;  
remember that one inch = 72 pixels)
  - Set “canvas size”
  - Click on TRANSPARENT unless you want a specific bkg. color
- Click on the text tool,  
click in the “canvas” area to enter text
- Once text has been entered,  
click on the Pointer tool to highlight selection
- Using the Properties panel,  
click on specific text options to change/edit  
(point size, font style, color, style, justification, etc.)
- To outline the text:  
click on either of the outliner tools,  
select a contrasting color from palette
- To add special effects,  
click on + effects button to view options  
(try drop shadow, bevel & emboss...)
- To eliminate or subtract effects,  
highlight the step in window, click on the “ - ” button



- h) **When the text product is completed,**  
**you must CHANGE the text to an IMAGE FORMAT:**

To retain transparency,  
check the tool palette in  
the upper right;  
Set on “GIF” and “Alpha  
Transparency”



- i) **INSTEAD OF SAVING,**  
**Click on FILE /EXPORT;**  
save as a .gif (when transparent)  
or a .jpg;  
name with all small characters, no  
spaces, and save to proper folder

## **2) To Add Captions/Overlay Text onto Images:**

- Open image file
- Click on text tool, and type desired caption
- Click on pointer tool to move text to proper location
- Make any and all modifications to text (size, style, color, effects)
- EXPORT as one image file

## **3) Cropping Images:**

- Open image file;
- Select crop tool
- Click DELETE button
- To resize canvas, click MODIFY / CANVAS / FIT to CANVAS
- EXPORT as one image file

