

Neon Light Signs - Project

For this assignment you will be creating a custom neon light effect. Refer to the video for directions on how to create the neon light effect.

Step 1. File > New. 10" x 8 doc.

Step 2. Draw a large black rectangle and Object > Lock > Selection



Step 3. Select the type tool > Change, the text color to white. Type a 4-5 letter word that you want to use for this project. Also, Change the typeface/font to an appropriate look.



Step 4. With the text selected, Type > Create Outlines.

Object > Ungroup.

Now your letters are shapes that can be adjusted. If there is uneven space between letters (kerning) select individual letters and use the arrow keys to adjust the spaces to be visually even. Optional - if you want to play around with how the letters look via size, etc. you may be creative.

Once you are done making adjustments Object > Group the letters back together.



Tip the text should fill the screen. NO SMALL TEXT.

Step 5 With the letter shapes selected, Choose a color for your neon project

Step 6. Object > Path> Offset the path (negative) -.04

This will create a shape inside of the background shape. Change these new shapes into a lighter color.

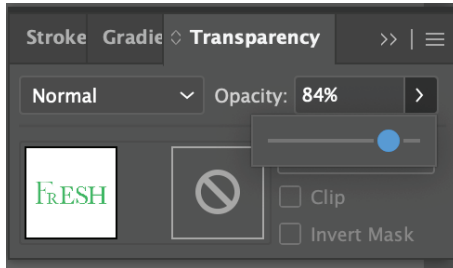
Make sure the new shapes that you just made are all grouped together!



Step 8. With the lighter top shapes selected, goto Effect > Blur > Gaussian Blur. Add as much effect as you like.

Step 9. Select the background shapes goto Effect > Blur > Gaussian Blur. Add as much effect as you like.

With the background shapes still selected Window > Transparency > Low the transparency to between 90% - 70%.



Examples

