

## GIMP Guide to Creating the YWC Logo

◆Open the YWClogoforGimp.xcf file. Then, open your artwork file. While viewing your artwork file, press copy (Ctrl + C for Windows, Command + C for Macs). Then, move to view the YWC logo and press paste (Ctrl + V for Windows, Command + V for Macs). Your artwork will appear as a floating, dotted selection in the logo file (fig 4).



•Right click (Ctrl + click for Macs) on the artwork layer in the Layers dialog box, then select **To New Layer** (fig 5). The artwork will become a pasted layer. In the Layers dialog box, select and drag the layer to sit below the YWClogo file.

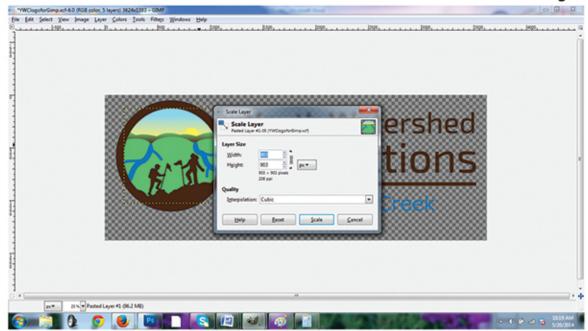
Alternate Option- After pasting in your layer, click on **Layer** in the menu bar. Select **Stack**, then **Layer to Bottom**.

•Moving: To move your artwork, you must make sure that the Move tool is set to move the layers you are actively working with. Double click the Move/Navigation tool in the Tool menu on the left (a cross with arrows pointing in 4 directions). When the Move dialog box appears, select Move the Active Layer. In this way, whatever layer you have clicked on in the layers dialog box will be the only one that you are moving.

Move your artwork inside the frame of the stamp.

•Resizing: Unlike Photoshop, Gimp does not have a scale tool that allows for manual scaling. Scaling must be done by inputting new width and height numbers. In the menu bar, click **Layer** then select **Scale Layer**. A dialog box will appear, and you can change the width and height of the object. Change the width and height to 903 x 903 px. (fig 5, next page)

Move the artwork until it is centered in the frame.



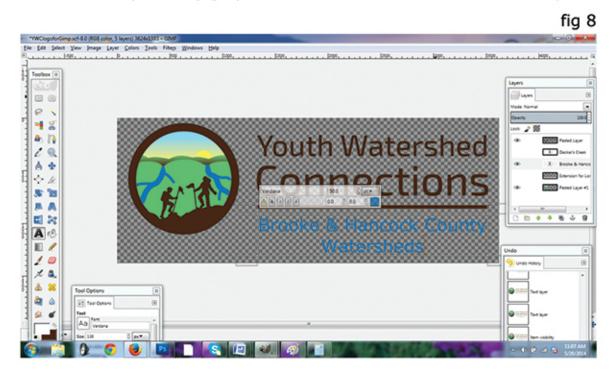
- •Text: Once you have satisfactorily positioned your artwork inside the frame, click on the "Decker's Creek" layer, select the **Text Tool** from the Toolbox (the bold "A") and type in your group's name. The point size should stay at 57.
- For One-Line Names: Once you have edited your text, select the **Rectangle Selection Tool** in the upper left of the Toolbox. Select all the layers within the transparency (fig 6). Go to **Image** in the menubar, and select **Fit Canvas to Selection.**



•For Two-Line Names: If your group's name is too long to fit the frame, do the following: Click the eye icon in the "Decker's Creek" layer to make that layer invisible. Then, click on the "Longer Name" layer, and click the left-hand box in the layer to make it visible (the eye icon will appear). Next, click on the left side box in the "Extension" layer to make this layer invisible, exposing the transparency underneath (fig 7).



Then, clicking on the "Longer Name" layer again, put in your group's name. The pixel size should stay at 50 (fig 8). If needed, reduce the text size to 45 points.



•Save your logo with a new name by going to **File** in the menu bar, then **Save**. This will preserve all the layers of your logo should you want to alter them later. Then proceed with flattening the logo: Go to **Image** in the menubar, then select **Merge Visible Layers**. A dialog box will appear. Select **Expanded as Necessary** then **Merge** (fig 9). Your logo will now be one single layer with a transparency. If any unnecessary layers remain, drag them into the trash can icon.



For a Stacked Version of the Logo- Follow the same instructions as above, using the YWCstackedlogoforGIMP.xcf file. When resizing your artwork to fit the frame, resize it to  $720 \times 720$  pixels. For two-line names, the text is set at 53 points, but reduce to 48 points if needed.

## Saving Your Logo

The logo needs to be saved at its original size for 1)potential usage on large-scale media like T-shirts and signs, 2) a small standard size for paper and online usage, and 3)a separate size for application on the YWC website.

Color Mode: Go to **Image** in the menu bar, then **Color Mode**, and select **RGB**. You can also select Grayscale to convert to grayscale.

# Saving at the Original Size

Save the image at its original, large size, with a new name. Go to **File** in the top menu, select **Save As**. Give the file a new name (separate from the file that contains multiple layers). Save the file as ".xcf" (the Gimp file type).

# Saving as Standard Size for General Use

Go to **Image** in the menubar, then **Scale Image**. Change the measurement type to inches, and select 3 inches width, letting the height adjust accordingly. Go to **File** in the menu bar, then select **Export As**. When the dialog box appears, type in ".jpeg" as the file extension at the end of your file name.

### Saving for YWC Website

To save the horizontal logo at a proper size for online usage, go to **Image** in the menubar, then **Scale Image**. Change the measurement type to pixels. Type in 1000px width. The height will adjust accordingly, dependent on if your group name has one line or two lines. Go to File in the menu bar, then select **Export As**. When the dialog box appears, type in ".png" as the file extension at the end of your file name. **E-mail your logo to webteam@fullsteamlabs.com, with the name of your watershed group in the title of the e-mail.** 

### Stacked Logo

The stacked logo will not be used online, but you may find it convenient for print and other use. It is recommended you save the stacked logo at 3 inches width, with the height adjusted accordingly.