

SKIN COLORING TUTORIAL

Many people asked how I colored the skin in my pictures. Here I present you a tutorial on how to color The Skin using Adobe Photoshop! In just four simple steps, I'll show you how to choose colors and using them my way :)

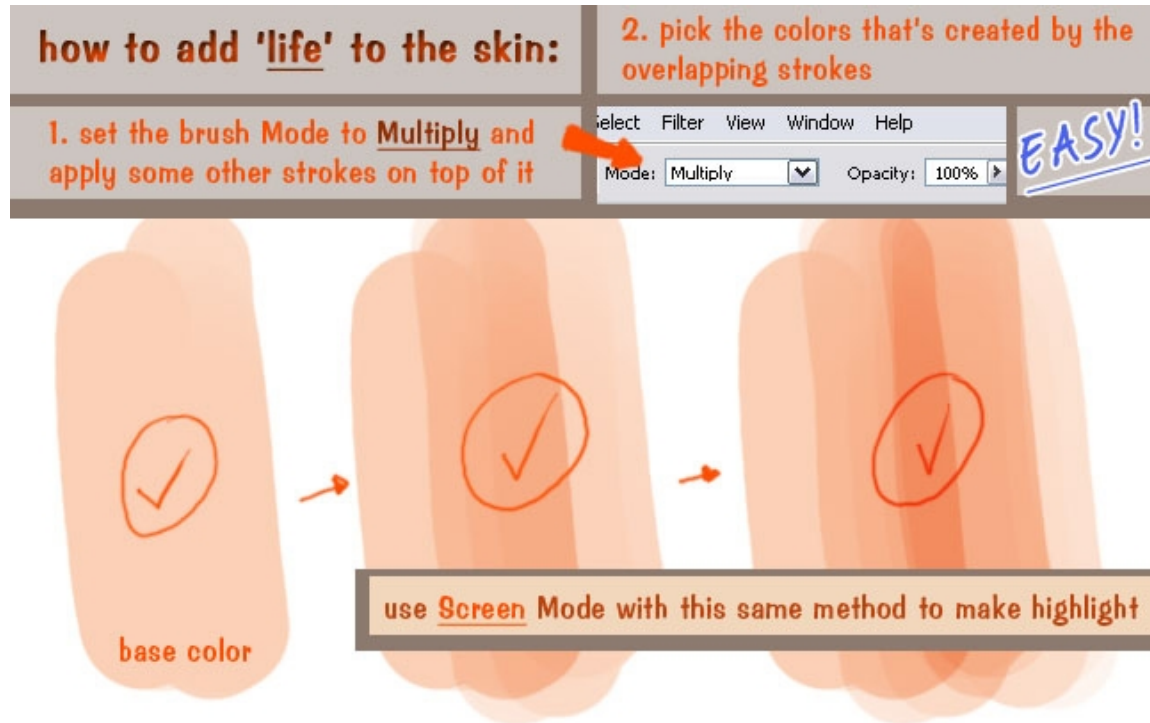
STEP 1:

- My client provided Angelina Jolie's (as Lara Croft) picture as the reference for the looks he wanted for his character, Kaiden, so I building the face loosely based on it.
- Pick '**hair 3**' brush that I attached here. I laid the basic color first and from that, I started to form the shape of her face by laying saturated, darker color on it. Now I'm gonna tell you a bit of secret.. Follow the curves of the face when coloring. It would create a nice texture on it, especially when you go after rough brush strokes look.



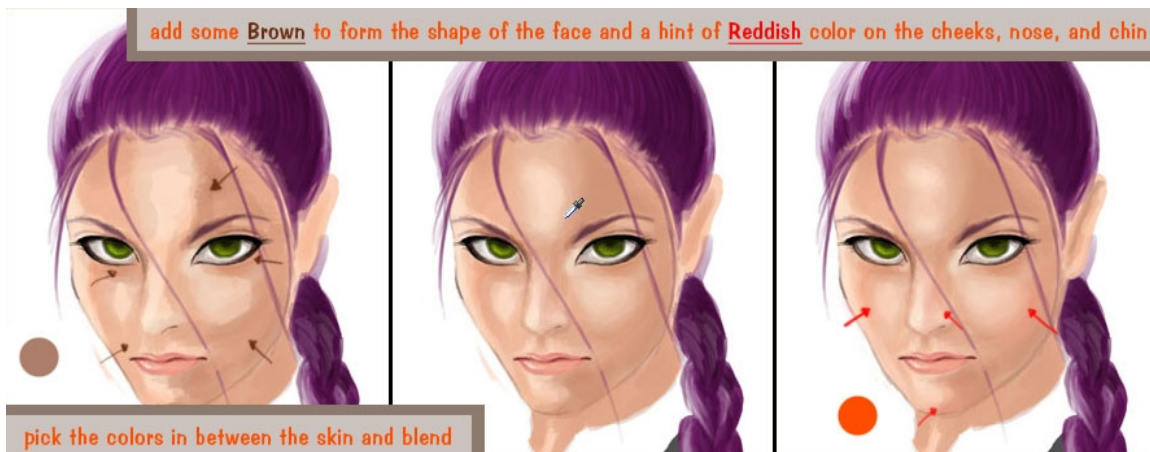
STEP 2:

- In the second picture, I showed you how to create color easily. The steps are pretty much explained in the picture already.



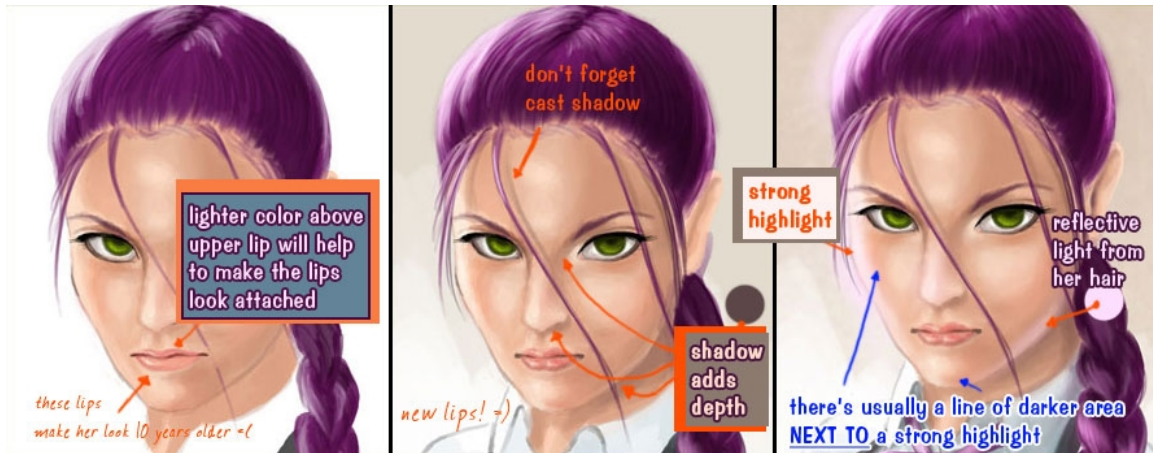
STEP 3:

- Now choose brownish color to add depth to the face. Apply it roughly on the parts you think should be darker. I pointed some places there as a hint. After that, you can start blending and smoothing the rough stroke by using low opacity. Add some reddish color to make her flesh color livelier, not dull.



STEP 4:

- Now choose grayish brown for the cast shadow and to add more depth of the face. Don't be afraid to change things as your coloring process go. Here I realized that the lips I drew made her looked older than she should have, so I changed it to a perkier lips shape => I was happy with the final result.



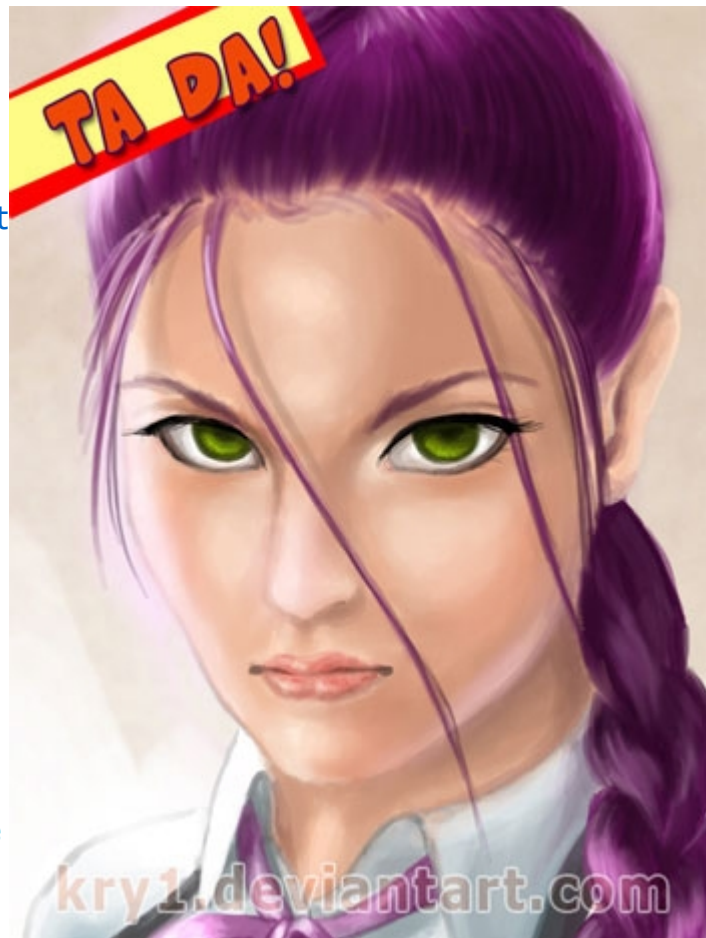
TIPS: don't be lazy to change the brush size as you're coloring.. Smaller sized brush will help you define the details. Hit [(left square bracket) key for downsizing and] (right square bracket) key for upsizing the brush size.

HOW TO INSTALL A NEW SET OF BRUSH:

1. Unzip it.
2. Move (ctrl+c to copy or ctrl+x to cut) the .abr file to (read carefully, the path is quite long).

Windows:

My Computer » Local Disk (C:) » Program Files » Adobe » Photoshop CS » Presets » Brushes (paste it in this folder).



Mac:

[Macintosh HD](#) » [Applications](#) » [Adobe CS](#) » [Adobe Photoshop CS](#) » [Presets](#) » [Brushes](#)

3. Start Photoshop
4. Select Kry1 brushes from the brush list.

DOWNLOAD THE BRUSH HERE:

<http://kry1.deviantart.com/art/Kry1-Brush-Collection-127204839>

WHAT'S IN KRY1 BRUSHES:

A mixed collection of brushes I have collected over the years.

- ✓ **Coloring Brush:** good for applying base colors.
- ✓ **Sketching Brush:** good for sketching, obviously.
- ✓ **Shading Brush Hard – Medium – Soft:** a vast collection for your shading coloring needs.
- ✓ **Sand**
- ✓ **Background Brush**
- ✓ **Cloud**
- ✓ **Leaves**
- ✓ **Shading Brush – Leather:** lightly textured brush.
- ✓ **Scatters**
- ✓ **Spray**
- ✓ **Hair 3:** the brush I used the most. I used it for almost everything since I found this brush. From Skin to hair to clothes. I like the roughness of it. Makes my pictures shading/blending doesn't look too soft.

Hope this tutorial helps you somehow.. Let me know, ok! ^_^

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