

From Line Art to Photograph and back again

Reason we do it:

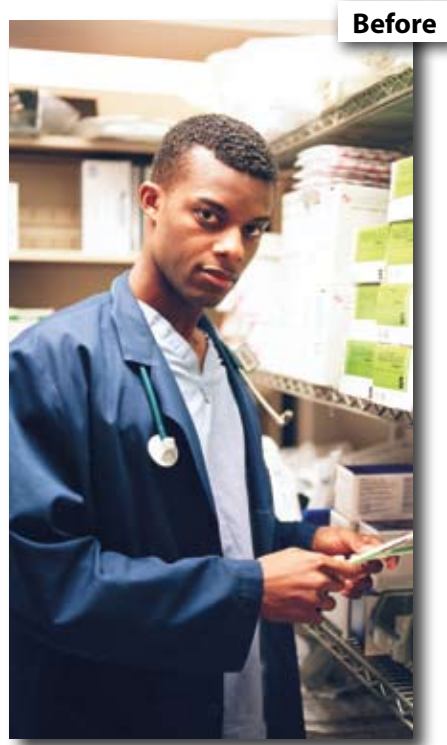
A very cool look for dominant photos or divider pages. I could also see this on a cover.

Method:

- Step 1: Open a photo you want to work with.
- Step 2: At the bottom of the Layers palette click on the Layer Mask Icon and choose Threshold. (Figure A)
- Step 3: Click OK and accept the default Threshold settings. You may want to play with these.
- Step 4: Type a G to select the Gradient tool.
- Step 5: Pull across, down or up the photo with the gradient tool.
- Step 6: Press Control (Command-Mac) Z to undo your gradient if it is too short or too long. Keep doing this (lots of trial and error) until you get it just the way you like it.
- Step 7: Save as a TIFF or JPEG to place in InDesign or upload to YTO.

Notes:

See, I told you this was easy. It's a piece of cake but to get it right you have to have the right photo (I wouldn't do it to someone's face) and do some (usually takes me about 10 minutes) trial and error gradients.



Before



After



After

