

# PHOTOSHOP SHORTCUTS

**Although not essential, learning a few shortcuts can save time, and make your workflow more fluid and spontaneous**

**Below are the ones I use the most:**

<b>Ctrl</b> and <b>+ or -</b>	Increases / decreases the image size
<b>]</b> and <b>[</b>	Increases / decreases the brush size
<b>Space Bar</b>	Brings up the hand tool
<b>Ctrl</b> and <b>t</b>	To enter "free transform"
<b>Ctrl</b> and <b>l</b>	Brings up the "levels" dialog box
<b>Ctrl</b> and <b>c</b>	Copies the current selection
<b>Ctrl</b> and <b>h</b>	Hide / show marching ants
<b>Ctrl</b> and <b>v</b>	Pastes copied selection onto a new layer
<b>Ctrl</b> and <b>z</b>	To undo the last operation
<b>Esc</b>	Will undo the crop or transform operation before the return key is pressed

**My favourite one, although not technically a shortcut:**

To reveal any burnt out highlight and blocked shadow areas in an image

Just hold down the **Alt** key while adjusting the highlight and shadow sliders in Photoshop's levels