

# Setting up Photoshop Action batch image processing

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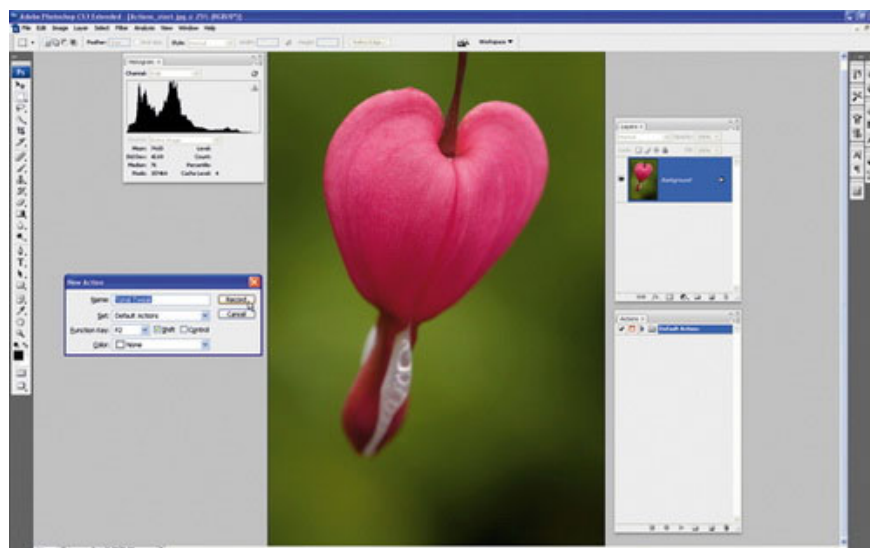
Photoshop is still the leading post-production image processing software with many advanced options, one of which is Photoshop Action, which helps to customize a variety of different images automatically and quickly.

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To create a Photoshop Action, you only need to take steps to set up, adjust photos, color . once. You can then quickly apply to a variety of photos via the hotkey. The steps for setting up an image processing script, increasing the contrast and colors below are done on **Adobe Photoshop CS3 or higher**.

## Step 1: Identify the problem of the image

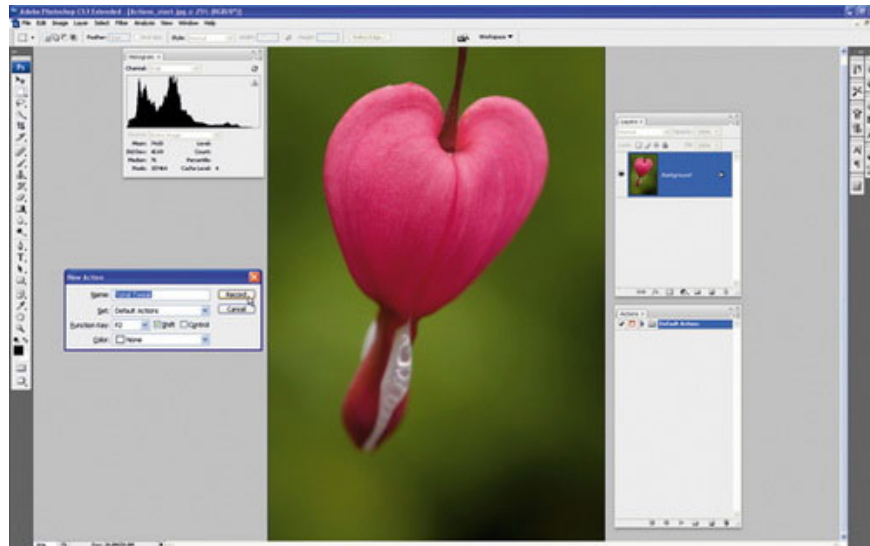
Open the photo you want to process. Turn on the Histogram option in the Windows menu to track the color graph range of the image. For example, with a low-light, low-light shot below, the Histogram gray chart will display bold on the left and midpoint, while on the right is almost unavailable.



Observe the young photograph with the Histogram band tilted to the center and left

## Step 2: Set Action

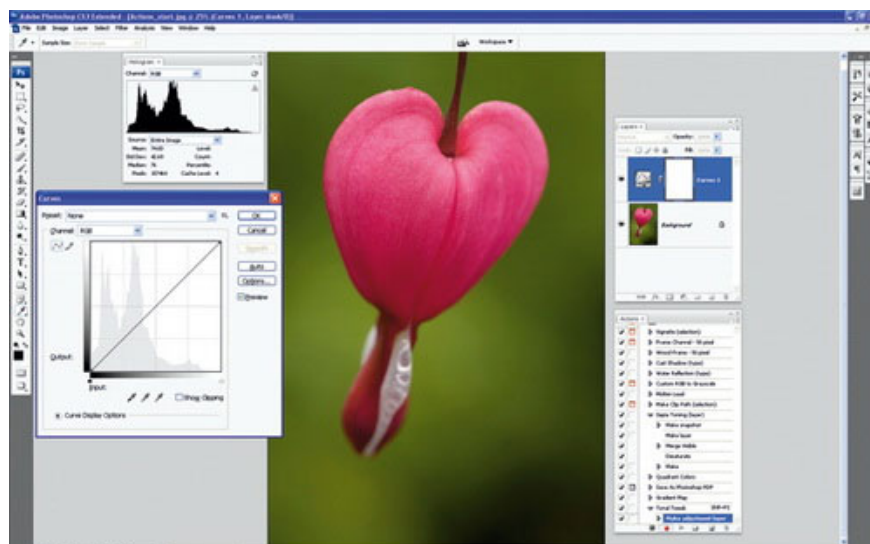
To create an Action, go to the **Windows** menu > **Actions** and select the **Create New Action** icon. In the **New Action** window, name and set the **Function Key** function key **F2** , create a hotkey to activate later. Click on the **Shift** box and then click **Record**.



First step in setting up a new Photoshop Action

## Step 3: Set up the Save Action template

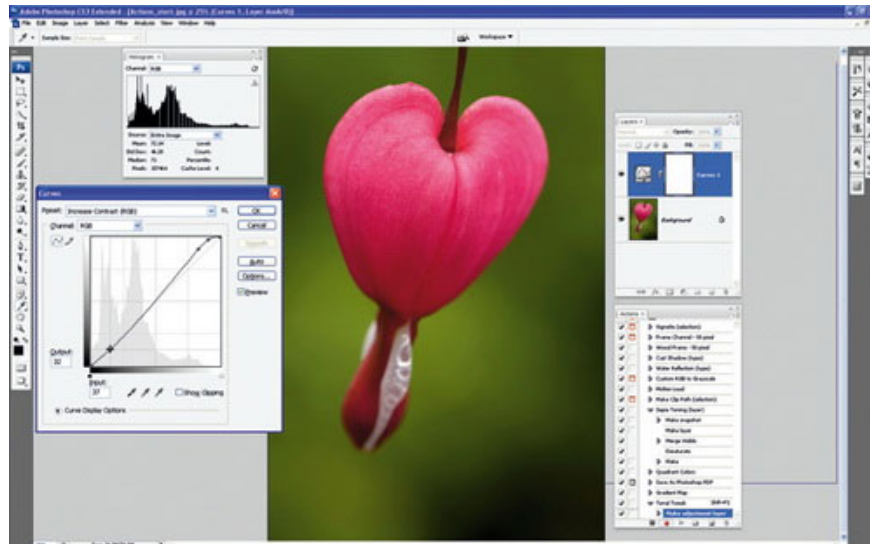
**Tonal Tweak** option will appear at the bottom of the **Actions** panel and the **Record** icon will turn red. In the **Layers** panel, select **Create New Fill** or **Adjustment Layer** and choose **Curves** . You will see an Action table in the list, located on the right.



Save the Action options that will be set in the next steps

## Step 4: Increase contrast

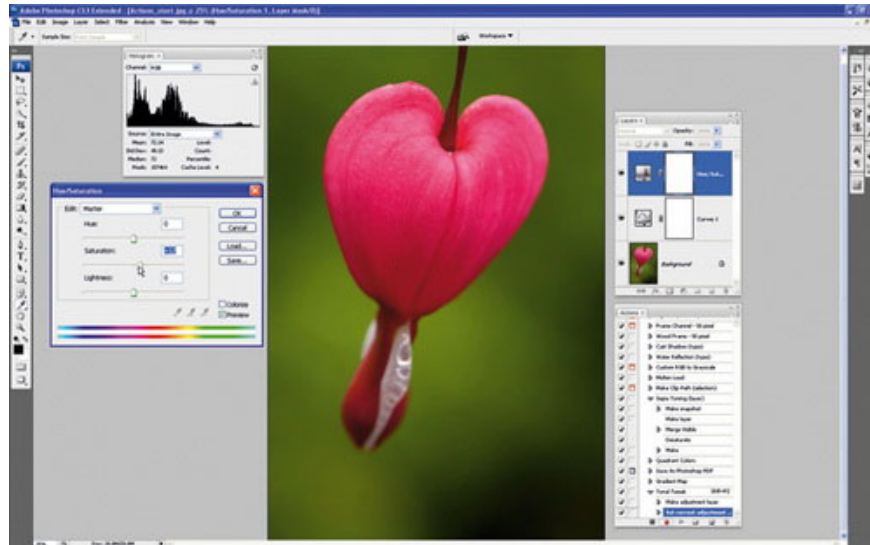
The **Curves** command will display the contrast options. Click the **Preset** drop-down option to select the medium **Contrast contrast level** . You can customize the light or dark level for photos here. Refer to the following common parameters: **Output** level is 32 and **Input** is 37, then click **OK**.



Adjust the contrast level of the image

## Step 5: Improve colors

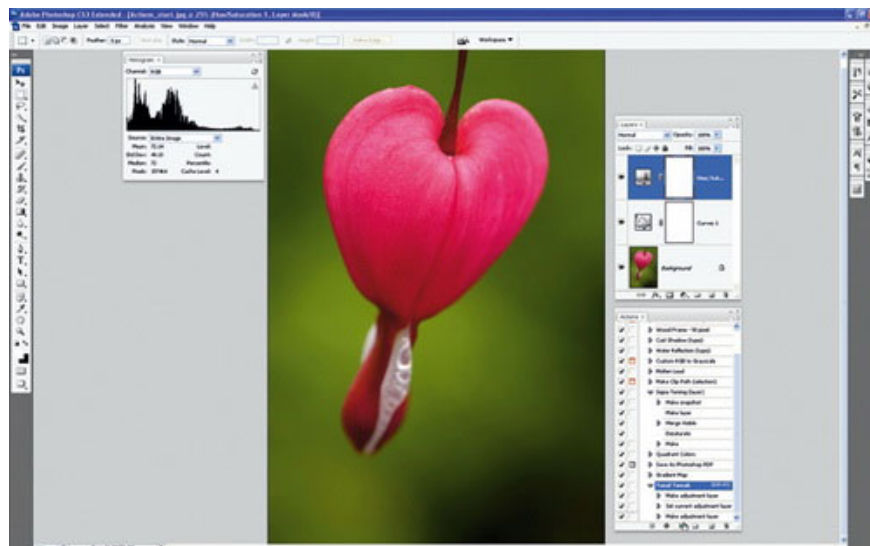
Click the **Create New Fill Or Adjustment Layer** icon and continue to **Hue / Saturation Adjustment Layer** . To improve the color of the image, you can change the **Master Saturation** parameter to + 12. Click **OK** and then select the **Stop in the Actions** strip. All your adjustments are saved in this action.



Improve the color quality of images to get a reasonable Model Action

## Step 6: Check Photoshop Action

To check the newly created action, press **F12 (File > Revert)** to switch the image to its original state. Select **Action Tonal Tweak** in the **Actions** strip and press the **Play** button. Next, the new option set with the recorded **Adjustment Layers** command will immediately change the light and color of the image.



Compare the original image and the edited image with the effect of the Action template

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