

# Digital Imaging with Krita software

## Layers & Groups (more)

### Intro

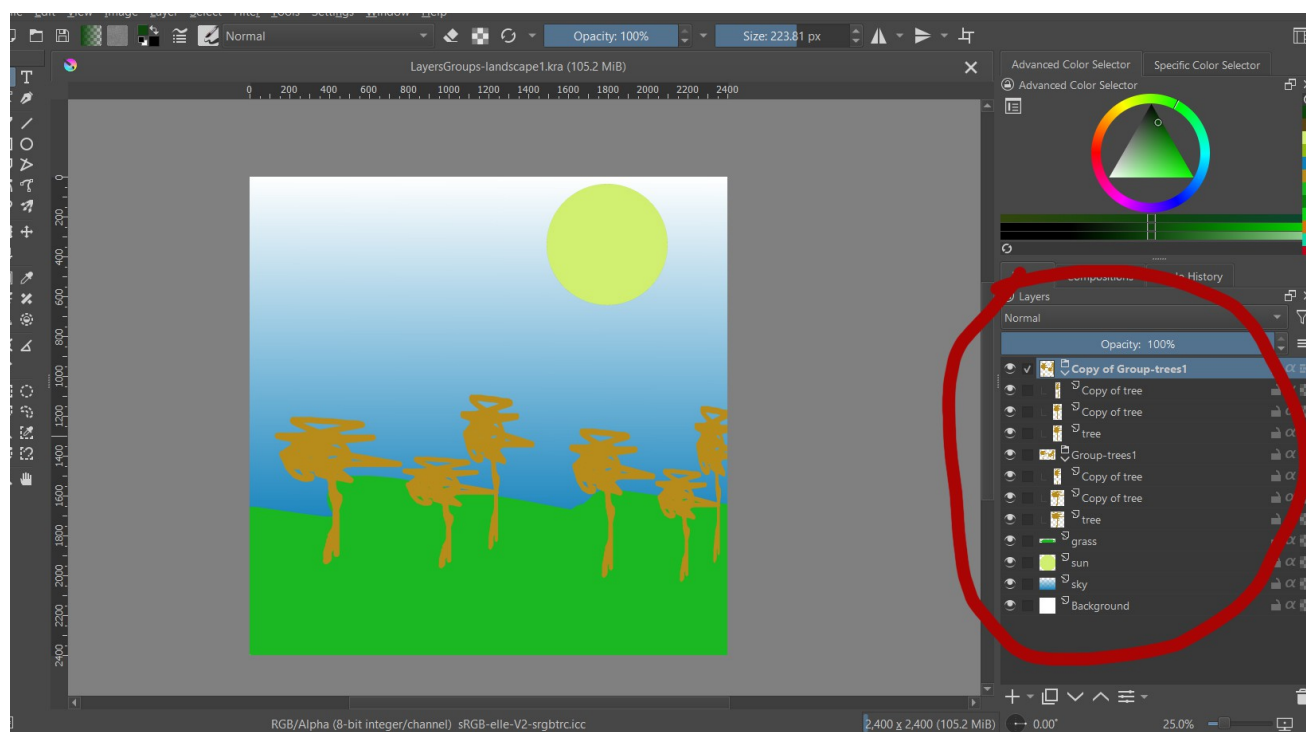
Layers and Groups are extremely powerful

With them you can easily:

Change, Select, Transform, Duplicate,....

Here is a simple landscape exercise

See the attached picture to help follow along



### Grass

In the *Layers* docket,

Hit the **+** sign to create a new layer

Double-click the name of that layer

and rename it "grass"

Draw some green to make grass

### Sky

In the *Layers* docket,

Hit the **+** sign to create another new layer

Double-click the name of that layer

and rename it "sky"

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Paint some blue to make a sky

Click on the “sky” layer

Drag it below the “grass” layer

The top of the grass now hides the bottom of the sky

### Trees

In the *Layers* docket,

Hit the **+** sign to create another new layer

Double-click the name of that layer  
and rename it “tree”

Draw a tree

To copy this tree...

Right-mouse click on the “tree” layer name

Select “Duplicate Layer or Mask”

In the Tools menu (left side of screen)

Click to select the Transform tool

Move and scale the tree copy



Make a third tree the same way:

Duplicate the layer; Transform it

### Group the 3 tree Layers

In the *Layers* docket...

Shift-click on the name of each tree layer

Careful -- click on the name of each layer

This selects all three layers

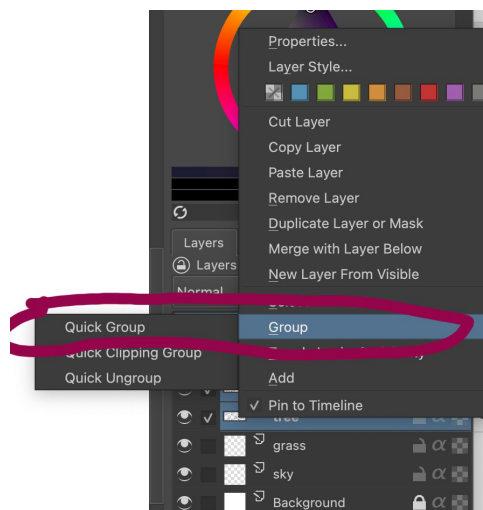
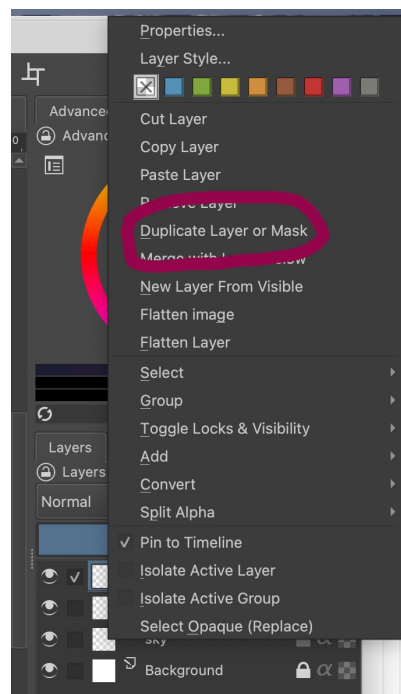
Right-mouse click, and...

Choose “Group → Quick Group”

It makes a group called “Group1”

You can now operate on either  
the whole group  
or

the layers within the group



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#### **Duplicate the Group**

Right-mouse click on the “Group1” group name  
(You must click on the name of the group)  
Select “Duplicate Layer or Mask”

You now have two groups, each containing 3 trees

Click the name of one of your groups  
Transform it (move or scale it)

#### **Merging**

If you have too many layers or groups,  
You can merge them  
This collapses them together

Click the name of *Group1*  
Right-mouse → “Merge Group”

The 3 tree layers of that group  
are now combined into a single layer

#### **Save your file**

>File >Save As  
Save a .kra file