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Subject: How to make a star field.

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How to make a star field.

1. Start with a completely black background layer.
2. Create a new layer (layer>new>layer) Layer 1
3. Then choose red as your foreground color and black as your background color.
4. Then use the cloud filter (filter>render>clouds)
5. then use the difference clouds filter (filter>render>difference clouds) use this repeatedly until you get a formation that you like.
6. Create a new layer (layer>new>layer) layer 2
7. change your foreground color to blue
8. Then use the cloud filter (filter>render>clouds)
9. then use the difference clouds filter (filter>render>difference clouds) use this repeatedly until you get a formation that you like.
10. Change the opacity of layer 1 & 2 to around 30 or so. the more opacity you have the more it looks like a nebula rather than a star field.
11. create a new layer (layer>new>layer) layer 3 and fill it with black.
12. use the noise filter (filter>noise>add noise) set the amount at 18%, distribution gaussian, with monochromatic checked.
13. make a duplicate layer of layer 3 call it layer 4
14. use the gaussian blur filter (filter>blur>gaussian blur) with a setting of about 7 on layer 4
15. set the opacity of layer 4 to 50% and set the layer to overlay.
16. merge layers 3 and 4 creating a new layer 3
17. change the layer settings for layer 3 setting to screen.
18. enhance the brightness/contrast of layer 3 so the white speckles look like stars.
(image>adjustments>brightness/contrast)
- 19 then use the lens flare filter repeatedly to make big stars. (filter>render>lens flare) and place them randomly and of different sizes all over the picture.