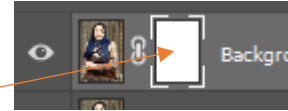


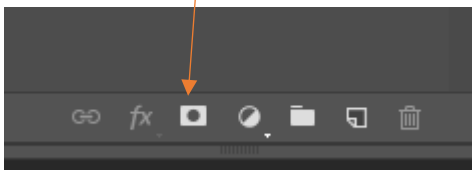
The Power of Grey

- Take your portrait against a 50% grey background, (a mid to dark grey)
- Take the image into photoshop and edit as normal (skin retouch etc)
- Place the background you want to use as the top layer and change the blend mode to **Overlay** of that layer only.
- Add a white layer mask – the image will be unchanged – to that layer
- Take a black soft brush – and select the white mask you added (make sure you are working on the mask, not the image)
- Paint over the model, you have no need to paint over the edges of wayward wispy hair but make sure you have painted over all the main parts of the model, gradually they will start to appear and the background will sit perfectly behind the portrait



Remember when using masks – Black conceals, white reveals.

To add a black mask instead of a white one, hold Alt down when you click on the mask icon (bottom right tool bar)



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