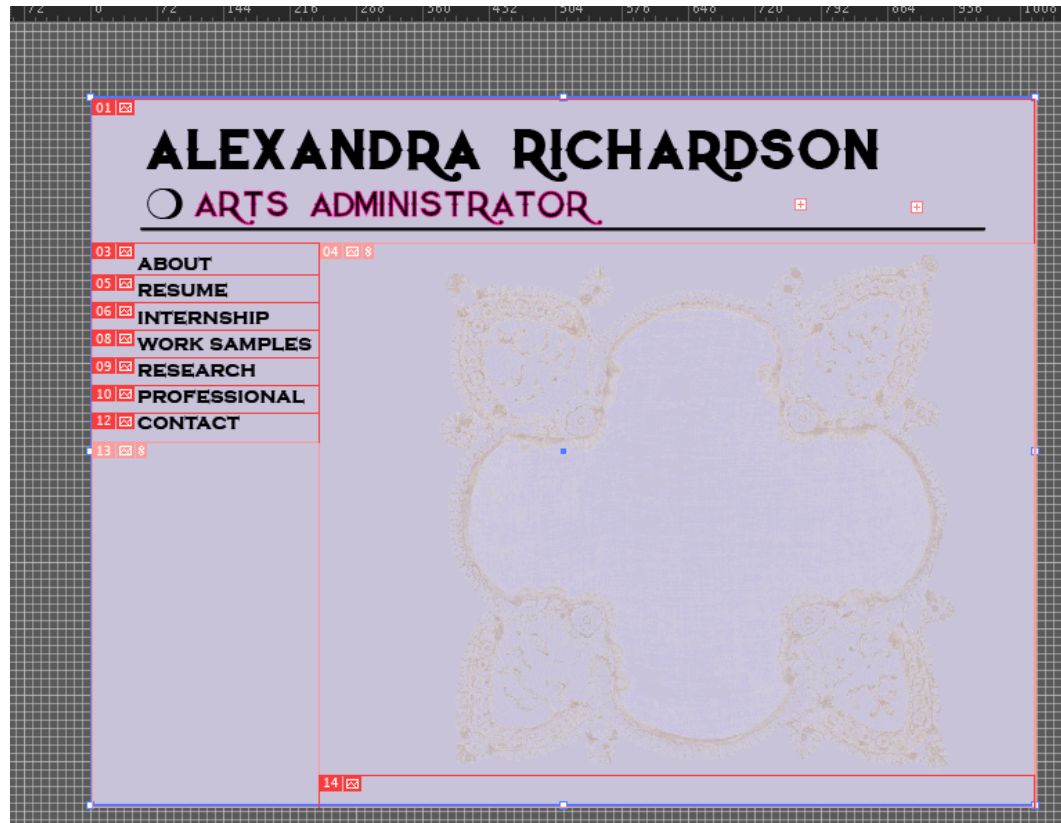


My showcase ePortfolio template is very simple. I have set the main vertical buttons on the left side on the page, and do not intend on having any sub-navigation (though this may change as I work on the site, if it seems do-able). I made this decision partly because I think this will simplify the creation process, and partly because I want my showcase ePortfolio to be short, sweet, and classy.



I intend on creating this site using CSS. CSS is advantageous for several reasons. I have learned that when using Cascading Style Sheets, you set a style element the way you want it once and can then easily apply changes to every page on a site. Also, because when using CSS you keep the visual design elements separate from the text and photo content, maintenance on the content is easier than with HTML. I wanted a site that was simple, but that I could fuss with and update to my heart's content throughout the rest of my time in this program. I think CSS is the way to do that.

With CSS, you work with containers. Although I have quite a few "slices," my site will have just five containers—header, navigation buttons (which will roll over from black to fuchsia), a container below the buttons (I will perhaps put a pop-up photo gallery here), the main content area, and a footer (I may or may not end up utilizing this area for content). The main body of text will overlay on the doily "watermark" on each page.