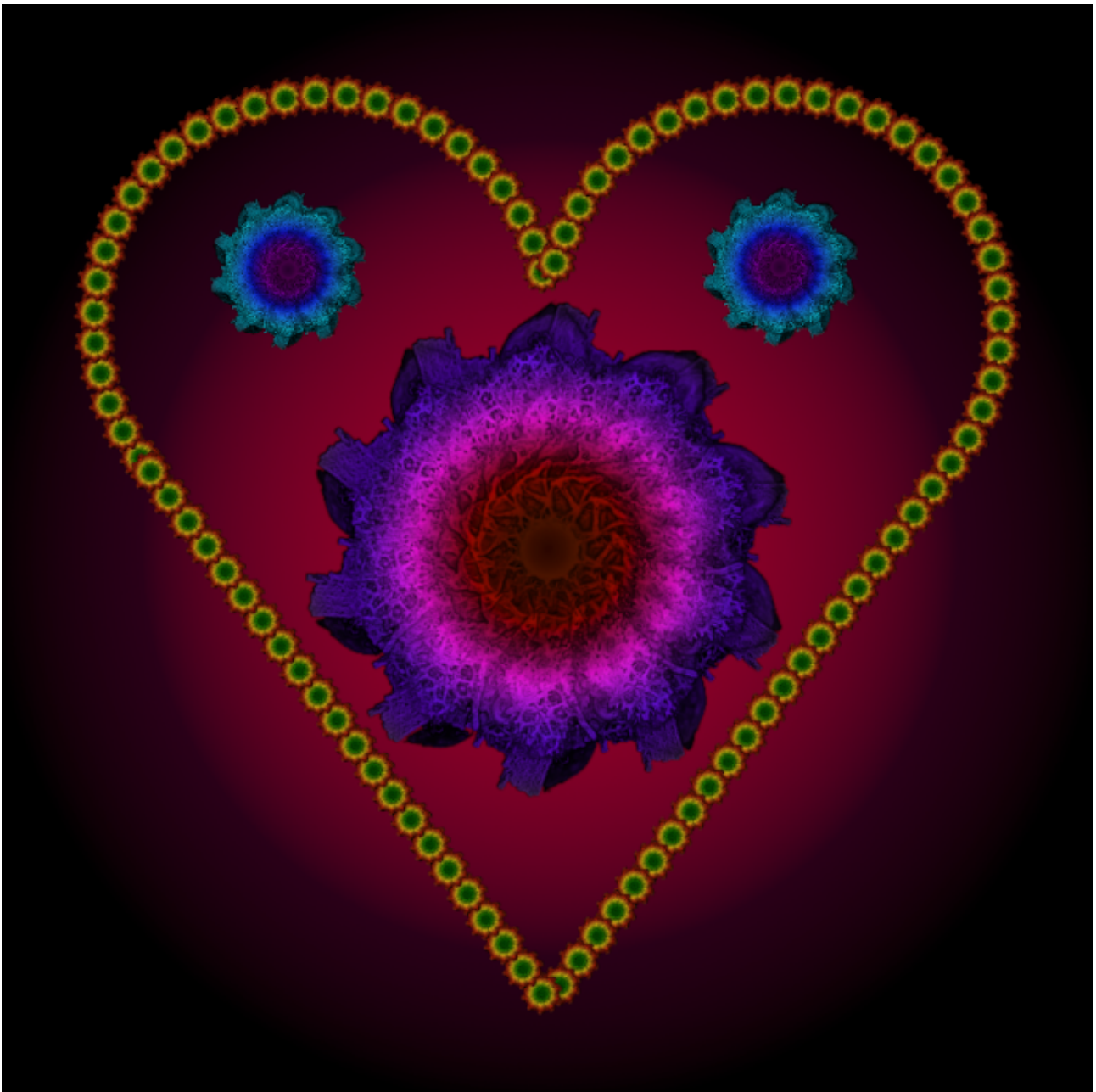
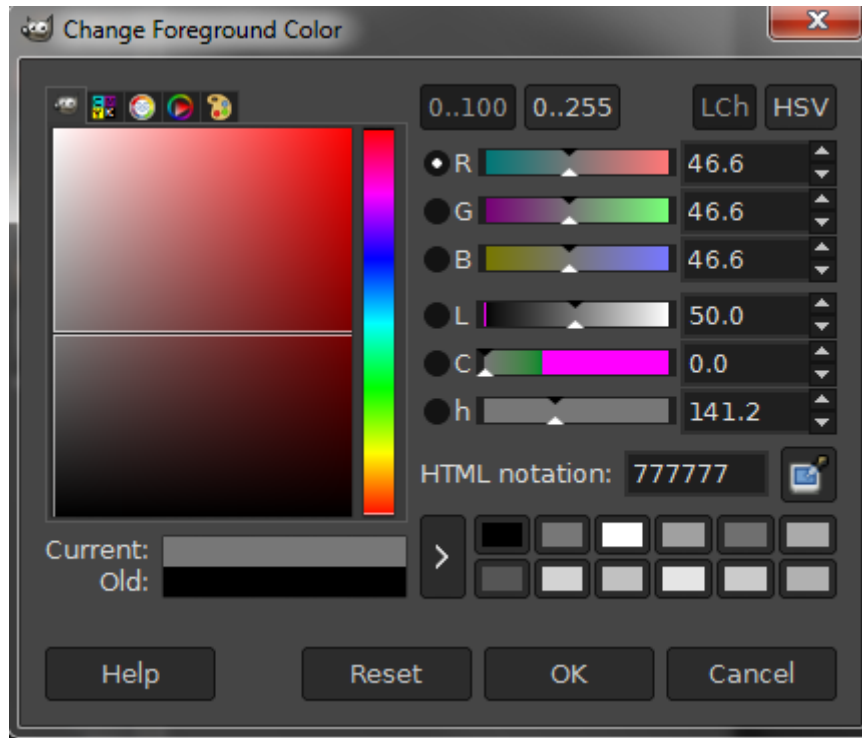


Create your own rosette/flower brush in Gimp (By Erisian)

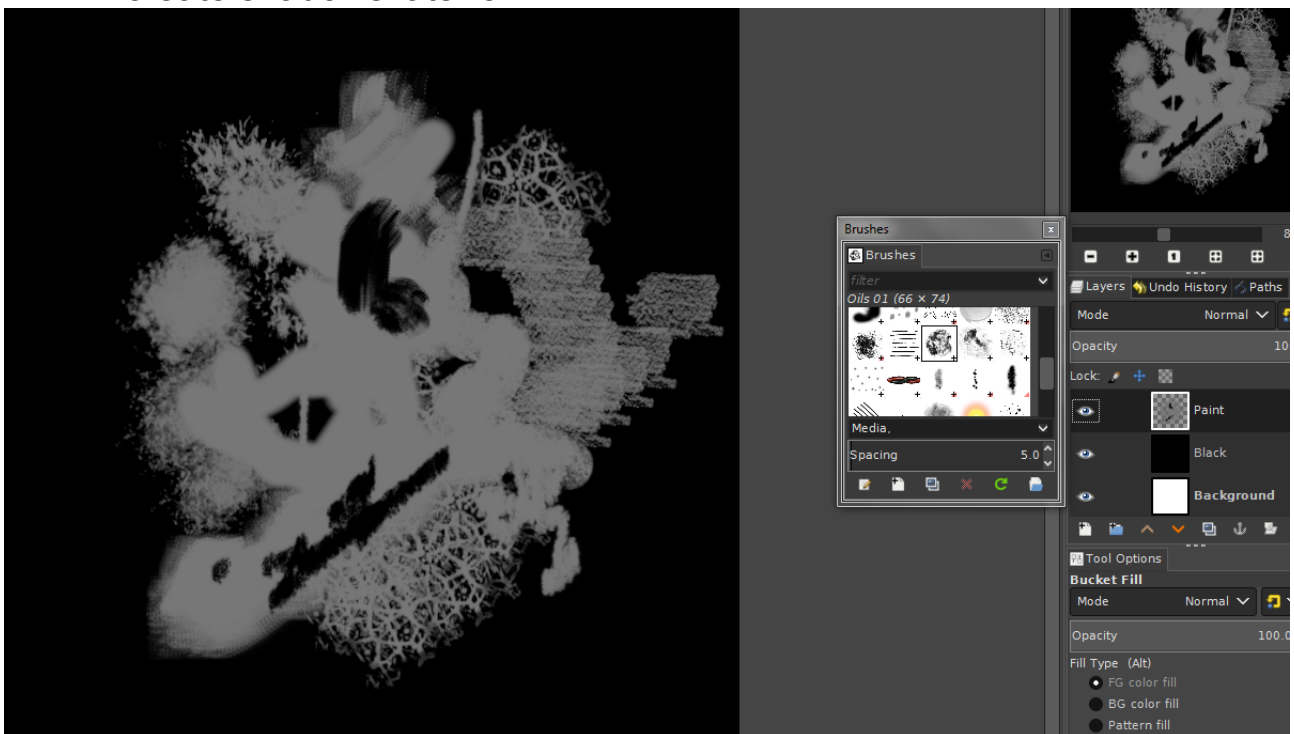


You will need G'MIC installed for this tutorial.

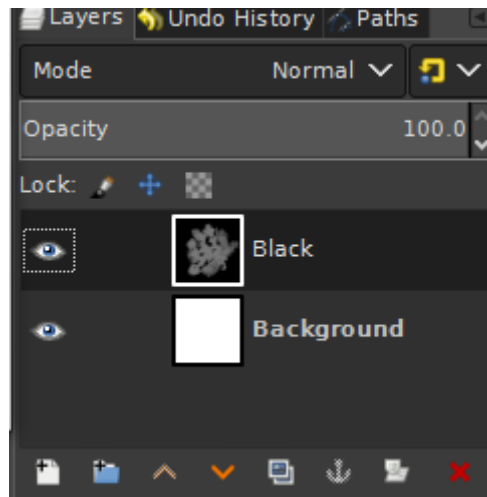
1. Open a new document 800x800
2. Create a new layer and flood-fill it black
3. Change the foreground colour to mid-grey by changing the value (L) to 50
(See image below)



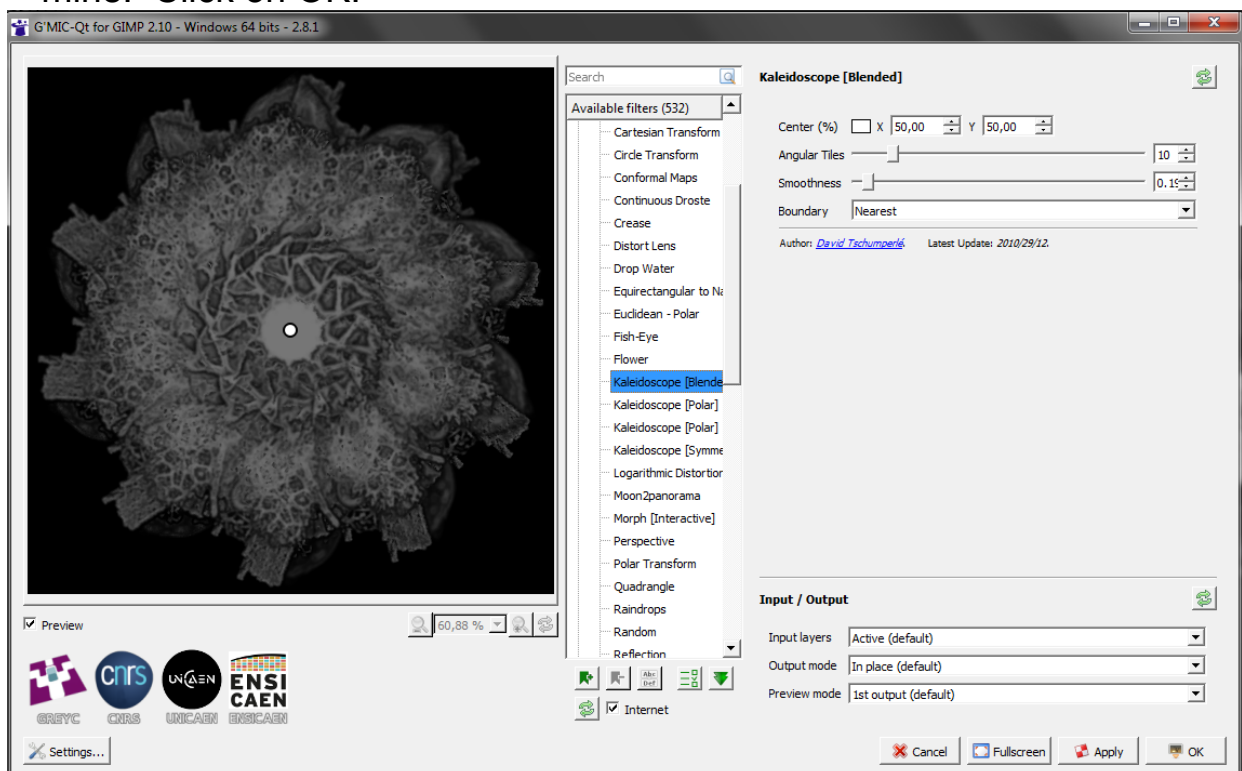
4. Here is where you get to explore Gimp's array of brushes. Create a new transparent layer and using a variety of different brushes, make a splodgy mess. Make sure there are some black areas in the middle because these will create shadows later on.



5. Right-click the paint layer and merge it with the black layer underneath.



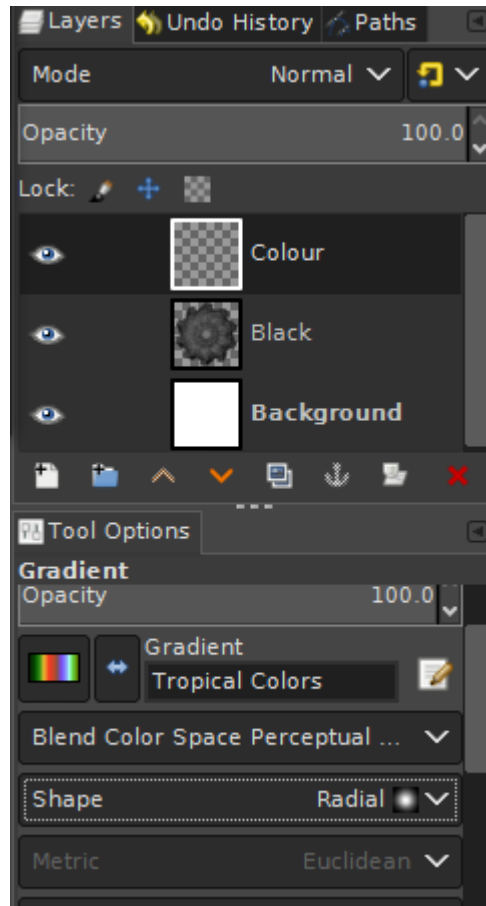
6. Open G'MIC and go to Deformations/Kaleidoscope (Blended) and change the Boundary setting to Nearest. I also reduced the smoothness a little in mine. Click on OK.



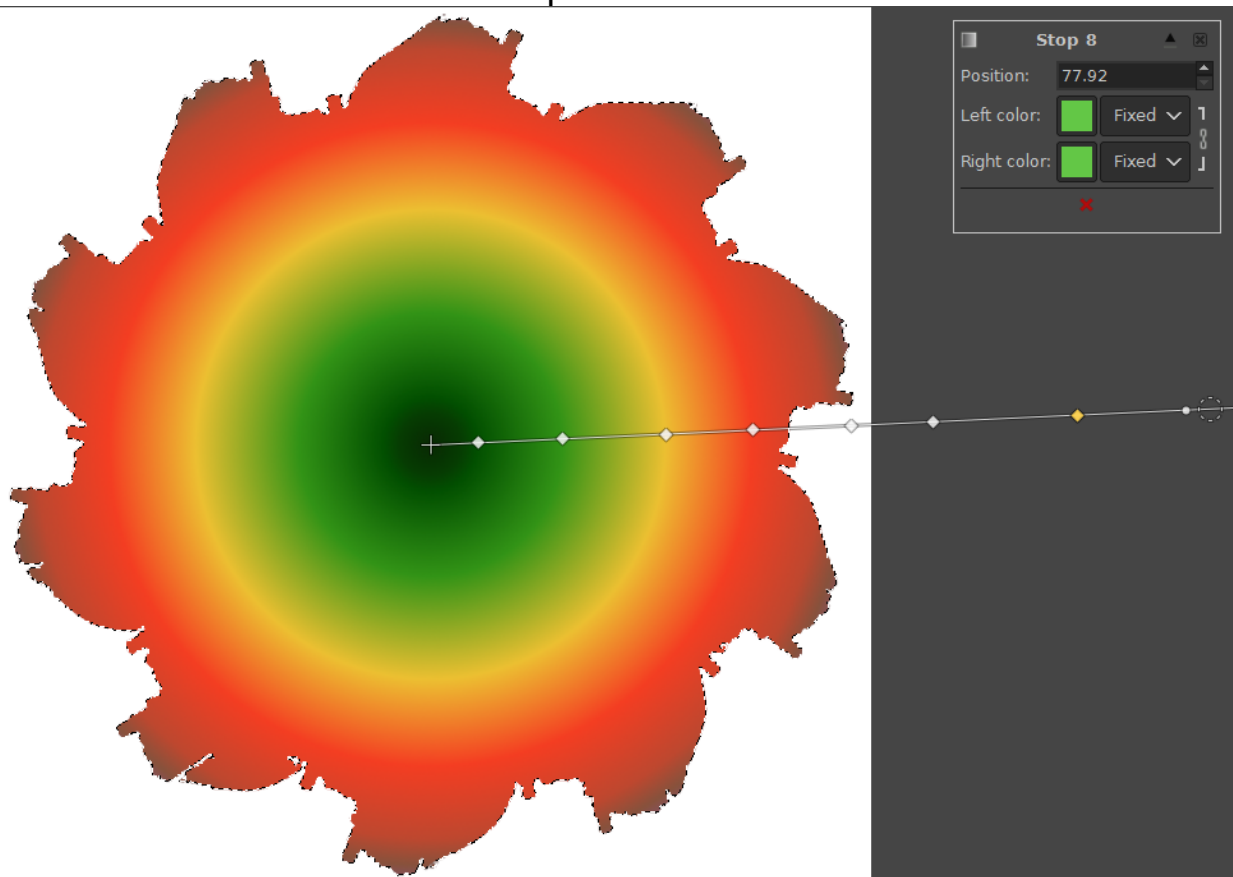
7. Select the fuzzy select tool and in Tool Options, reduce the threshold to 0 and select the black area outside. If you want the selection closer to the rosette, experiment a little with the threshold, but try not to separate bits of it around the edge. Press DEL or CTRL-X to remove the black.

You should now have a grey rosette on a transparent layer with a white background layer. Do not remove the selection.

8. Create a new transparent layer for your colour
9. Select the gradient fill tool, choose a gradient with colours that you like and in the tool options, change the shape setting to radial

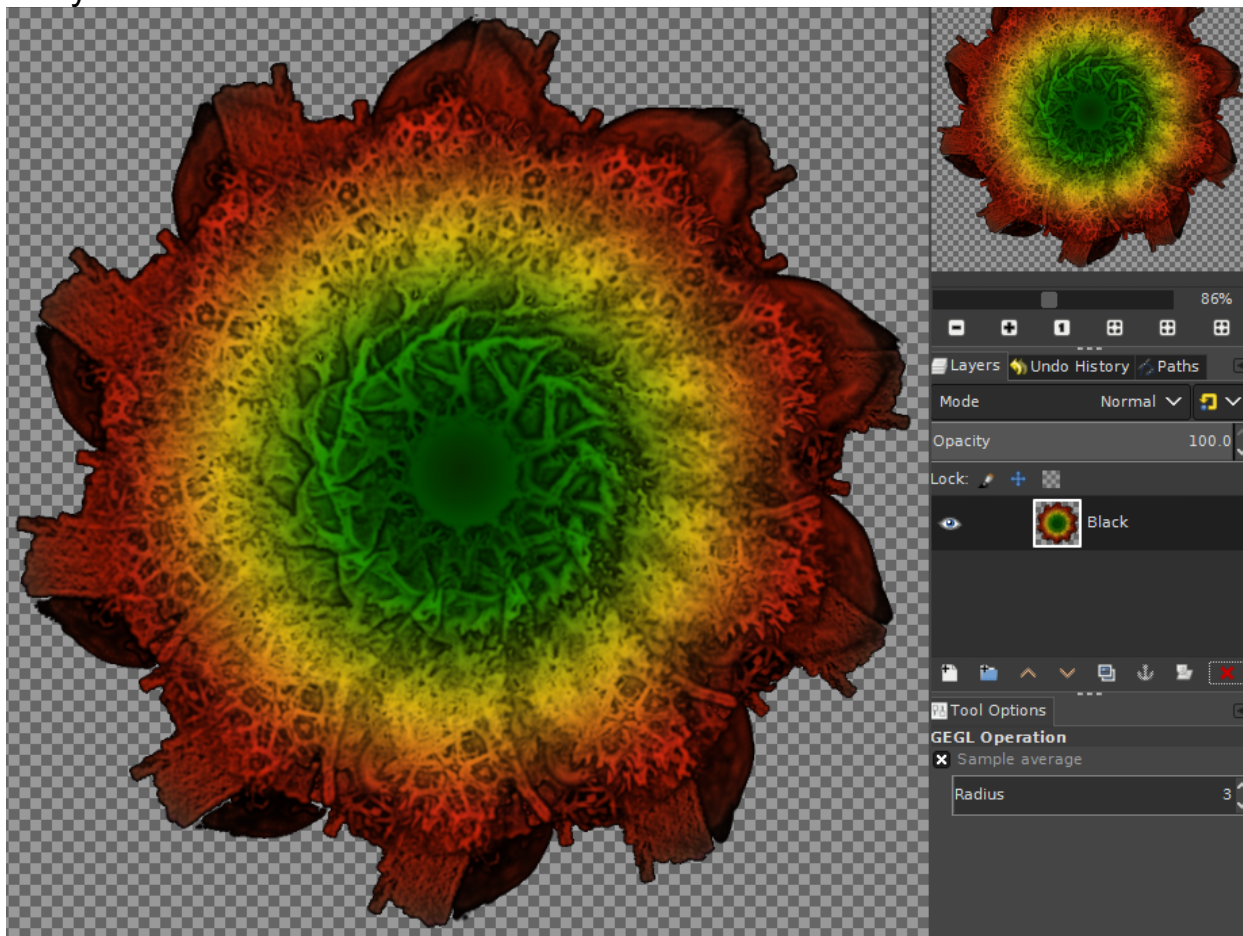


10. Starting at the center of your rosette, pull the tool outwards until you have the colours that you want. In Gimp2:10, you can adjust where the individual colours begin and end by dragging the nodes you see along the line. Press Enter to finish the operation.

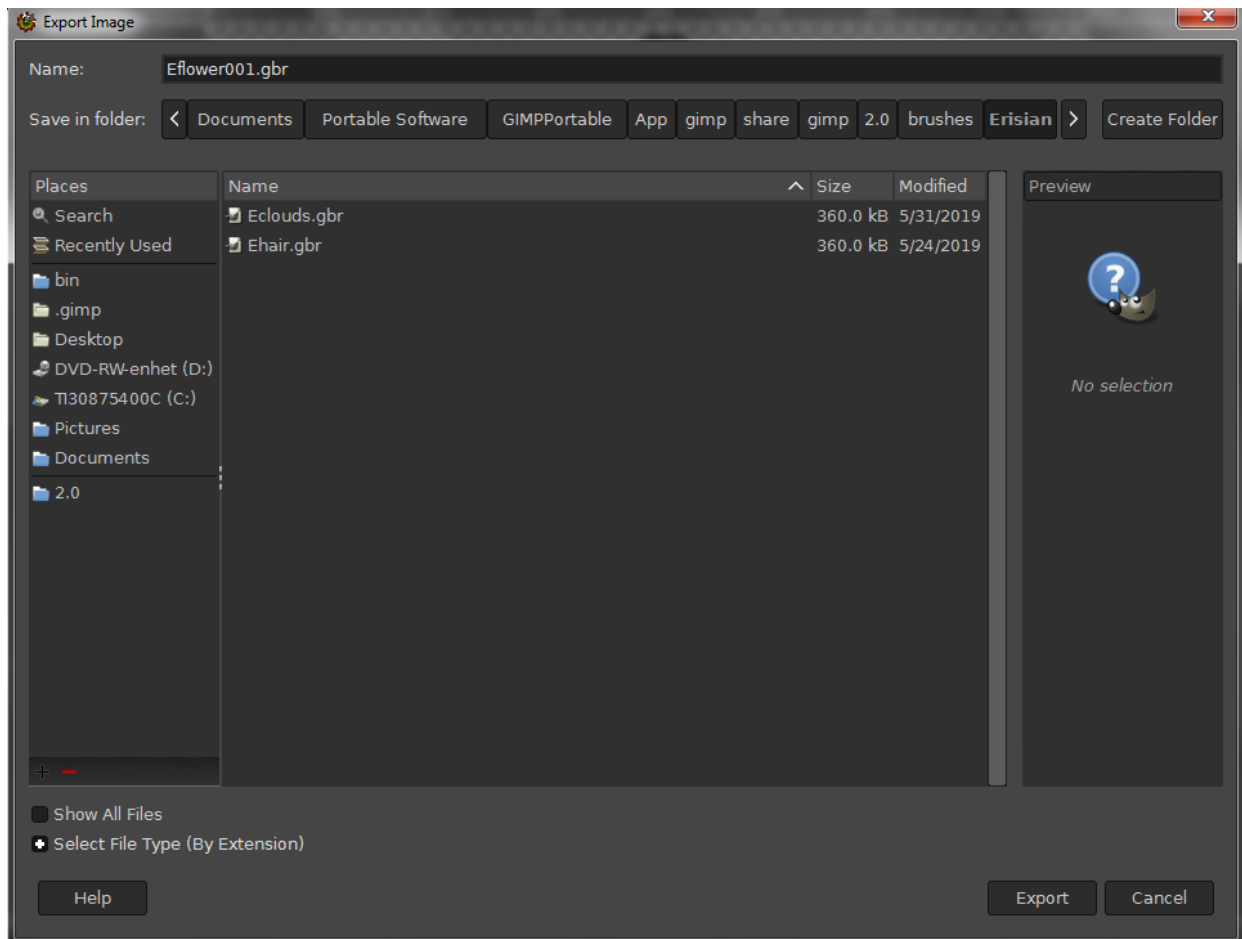


11. Remove the selection and change the layer mode to overlay.

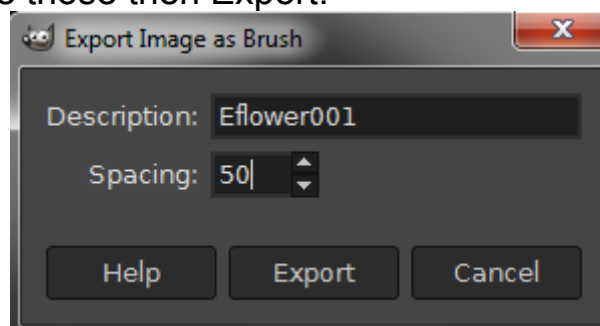
12. Merge the colour layer with the layer underneath then delete the white background layer. You should now have a colourful rosette on a transparent layer.



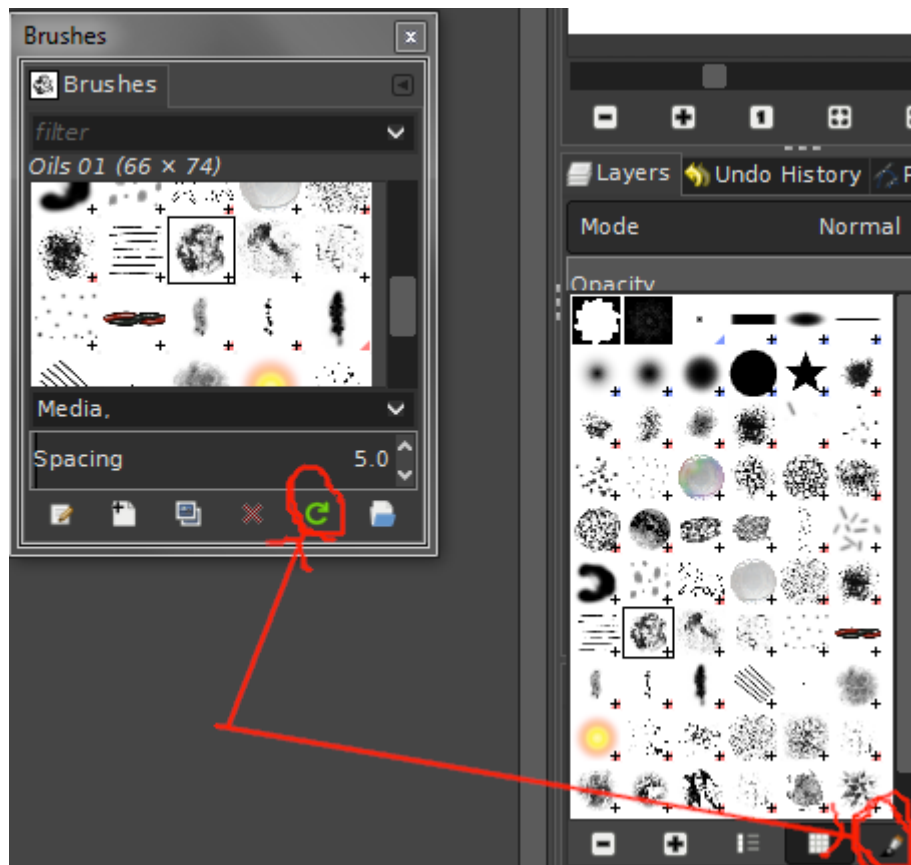
13. File/Export as – then find your brushes folder and type Filename.gbr
(That is, choose a filename and give it the .gbr extension)



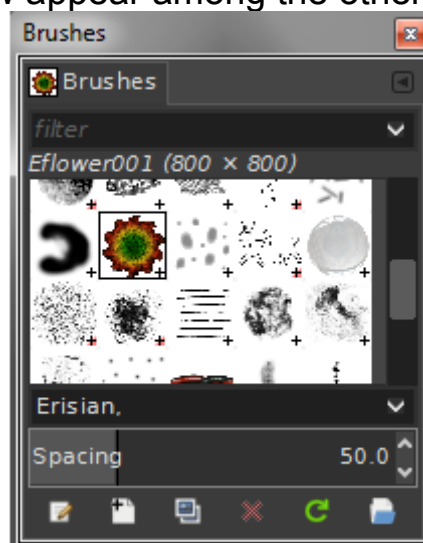
When you click on Export, you will be given another window where you can choose what name will appear in the brushes dialogue and the default spacing. Choose those then Export.



14. Open the brush selector and refresh the brushes



Your brush should now appear among the other brushes.



15. Now you can open up a new image and use your brush like any other paintbrush.

*I hope this has been fun, useful and well explained – **Erisian.***