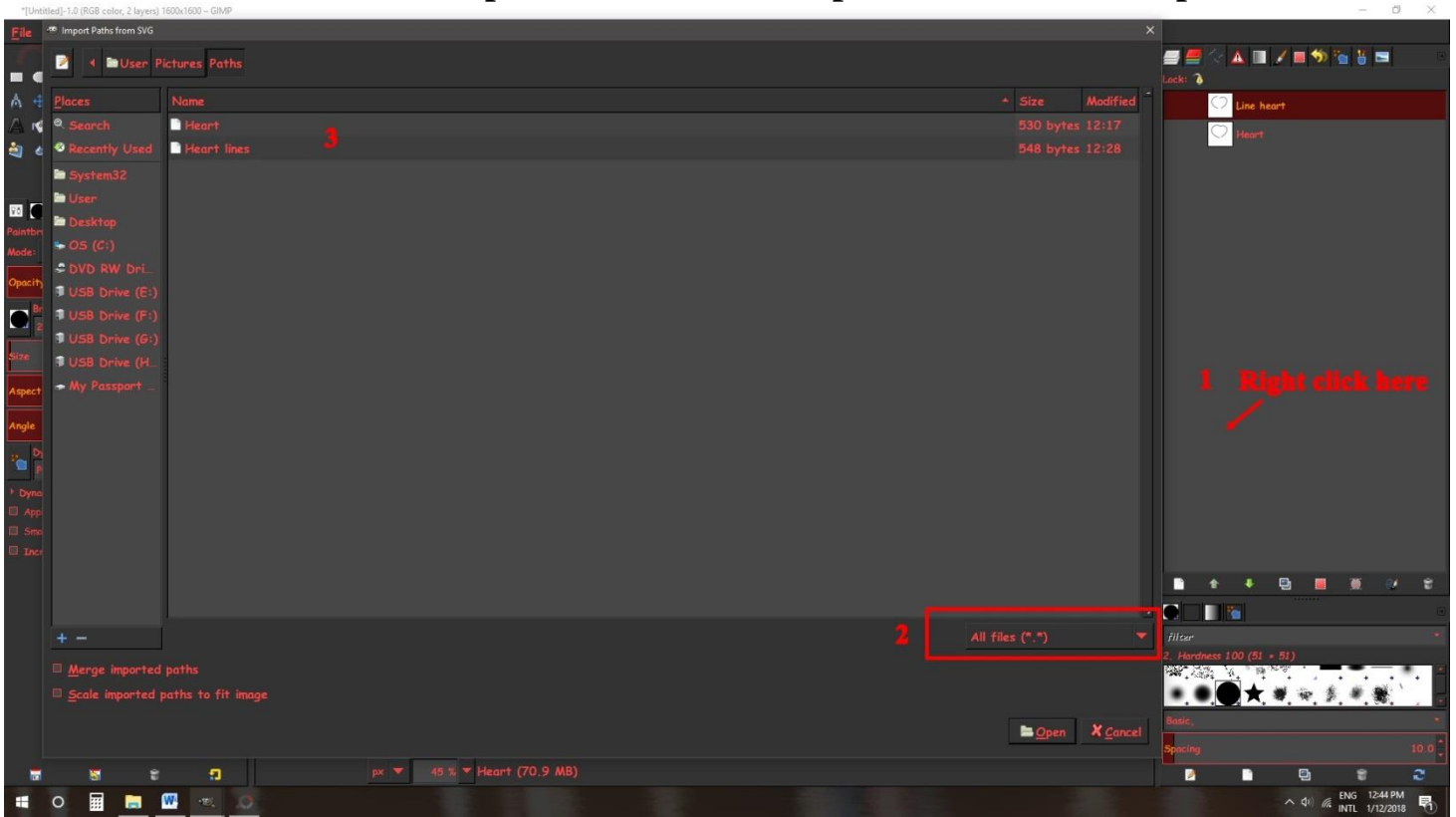


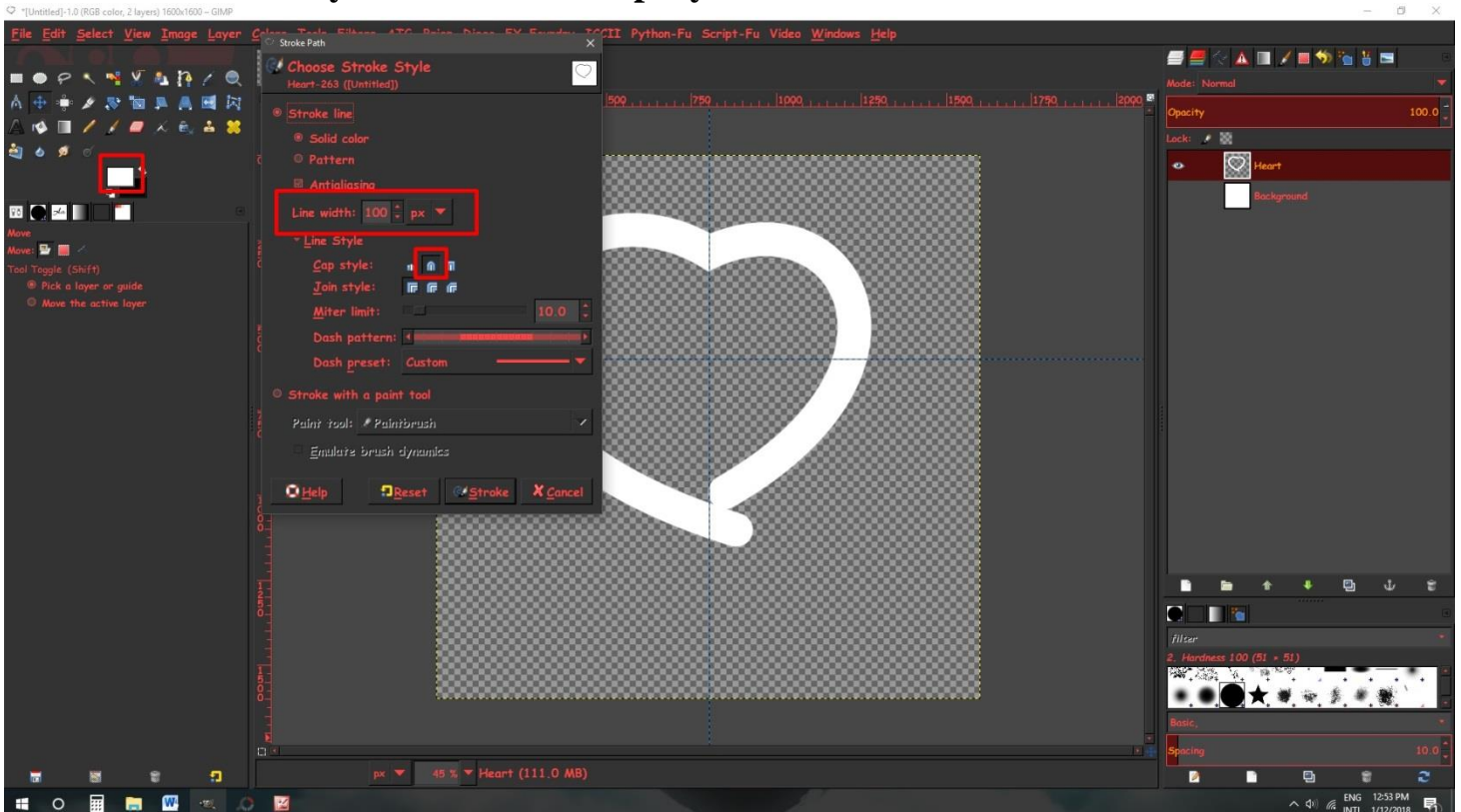
How to create a Paper Heart Valentine Card



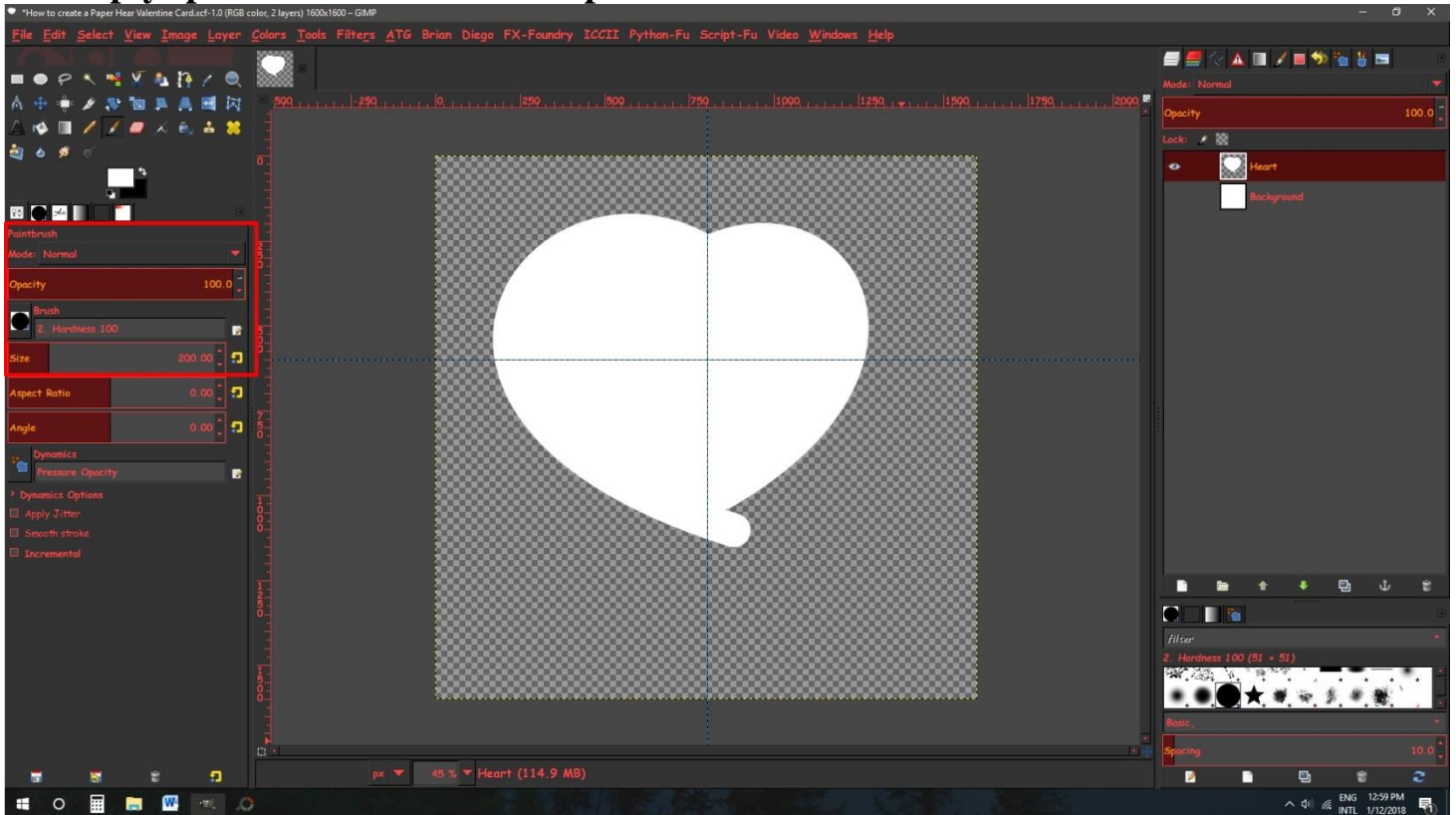
1. Open a New document 1600 x 1600 px on a white Background. To make it easier for you and to make the tutorial shorter, I took the time to create the Paths. So go to the Paths dialog, right click and select Import Paths. On the bottom part of the popup window, click on the drop down and change it to “All Files”. Look for the Path folder where you have the Paths and choose the “Heart” path. Go back and Import the “Heart line” path.



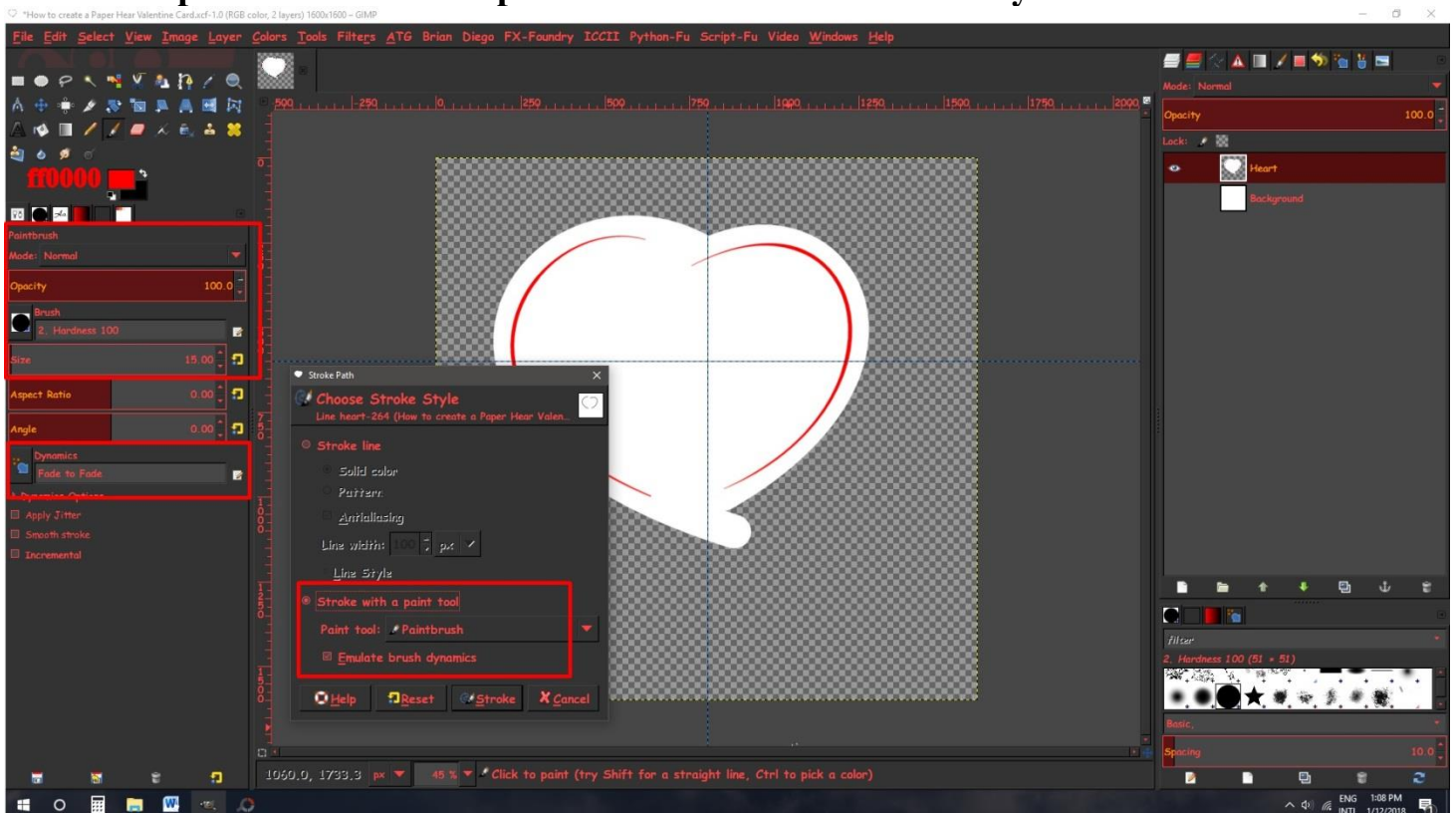
2. Select the first path “Heart” and go back to the “Layer’s dialog”. Add a New layer, name it “Heart” and make the Background Invisible for now. Make sure the Foreground color is set to> White and go to: Edit> Stroke Path. Here, increase the Line size to> 100 px, click on the “Line Style” and choose Cap style> Round. Stroke Path.



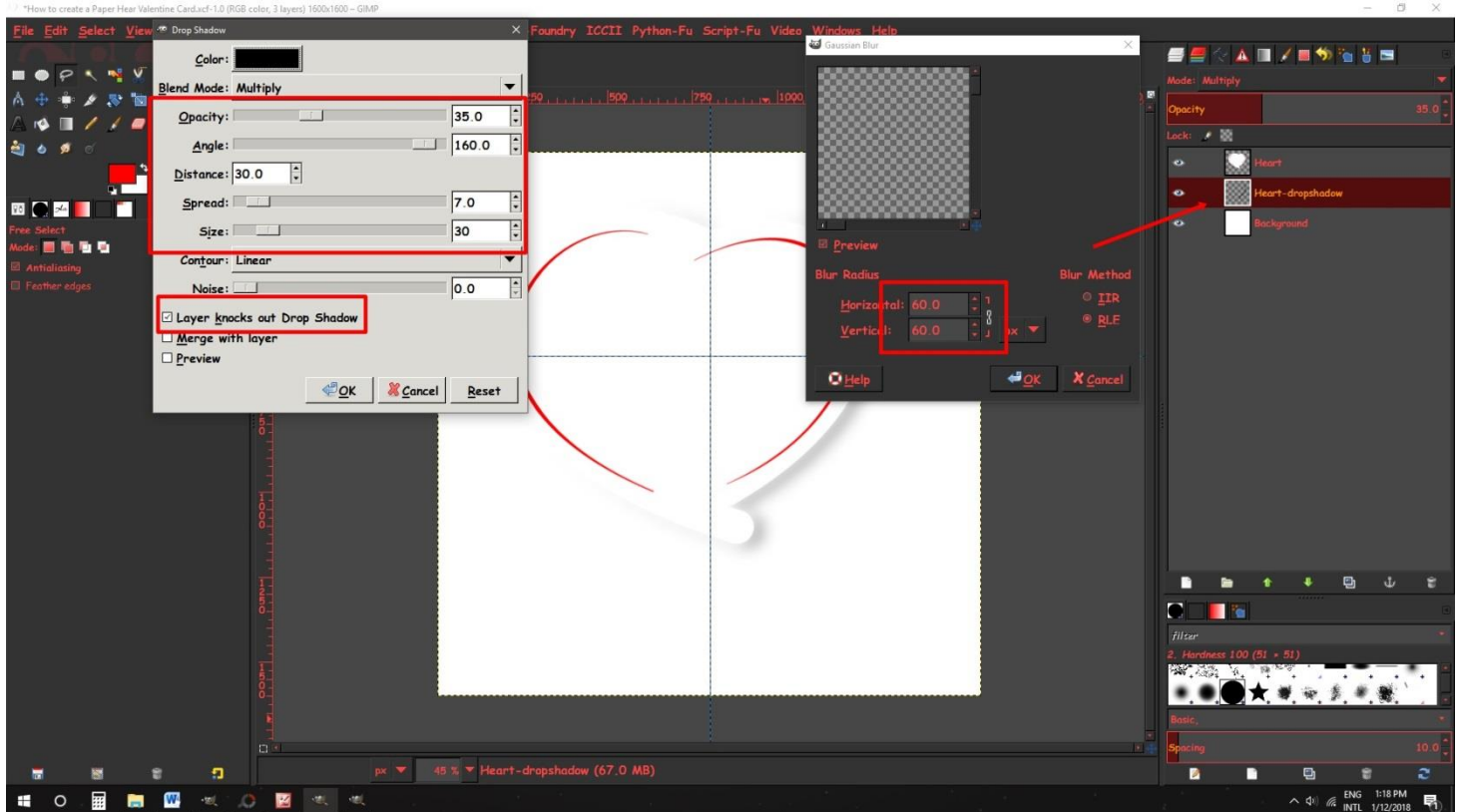
3. Grab the brush “Hardness 100”, make the size about 200 px and brush paint the rest of the empty space inside the Heart shape.



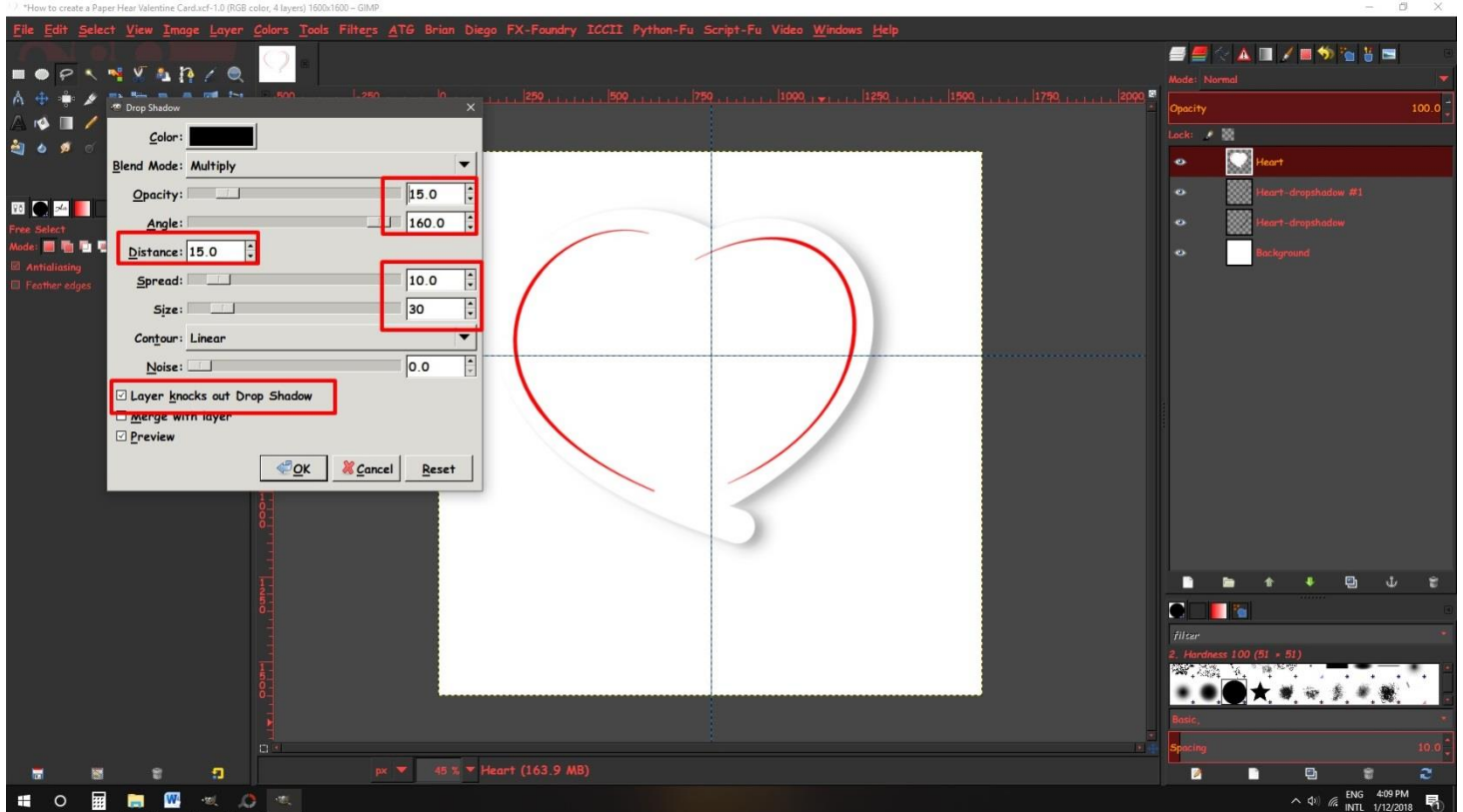
4. Reduce the brush to > 15 px and change the Foreground color to Red > ff0000. On the option Dynamics choose the brush I created > Fade to Fade. Go to: Edit > Stroke Path, select the options “Stroke with paint tool” and Emulate brush dynamics. Stroke Path.



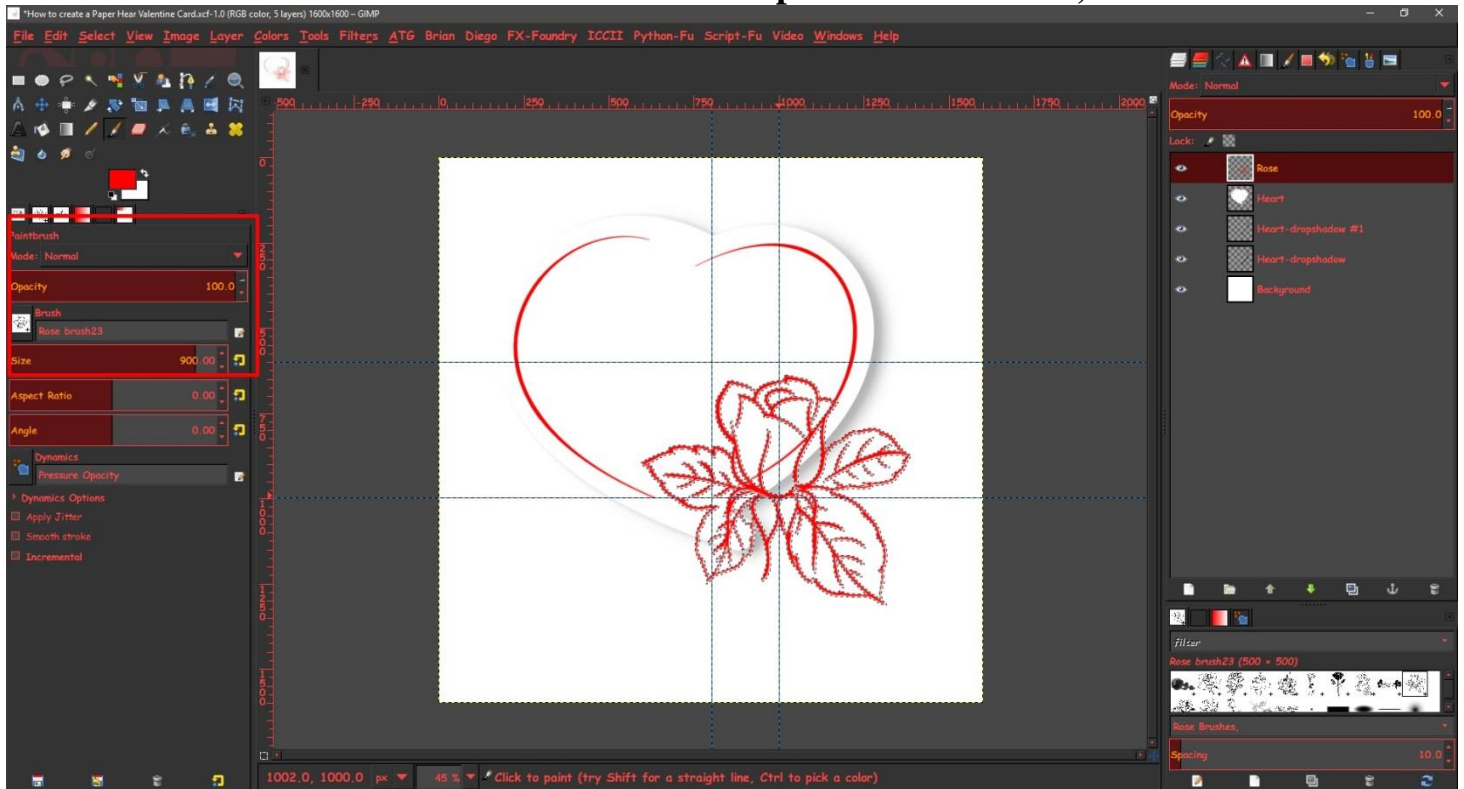
5. Go to: Layer> Layer Effects> Drop Shadow, set and apply. Select the layer “Heart-dropshadow, go to Filters> Blur> Gaussian blur, set the blur to> 60 and apply.



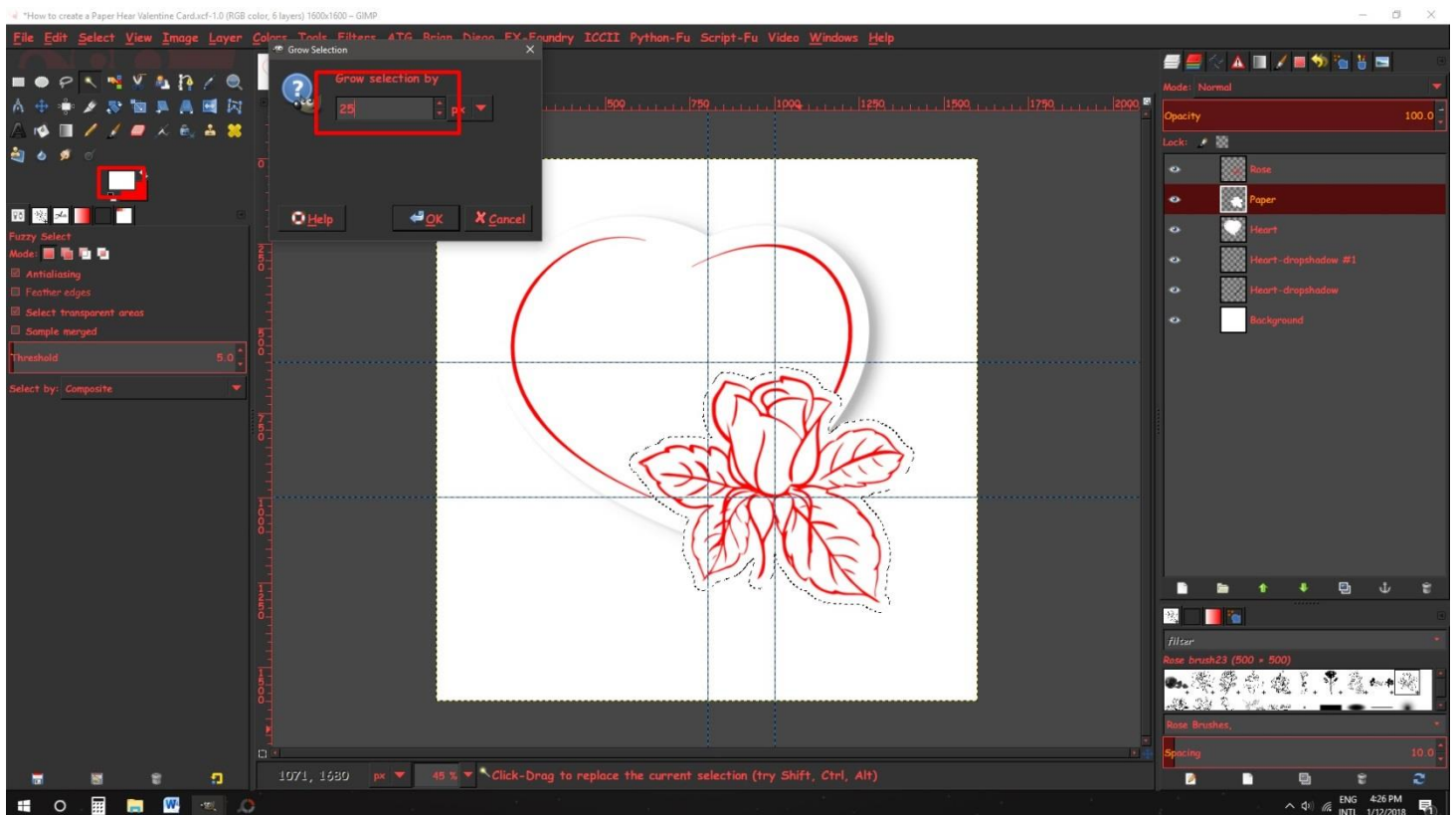
6. Select the layer “Heart” once again, go to: Layer> Layer Effects> Drop Shadow, set a little different and apply.



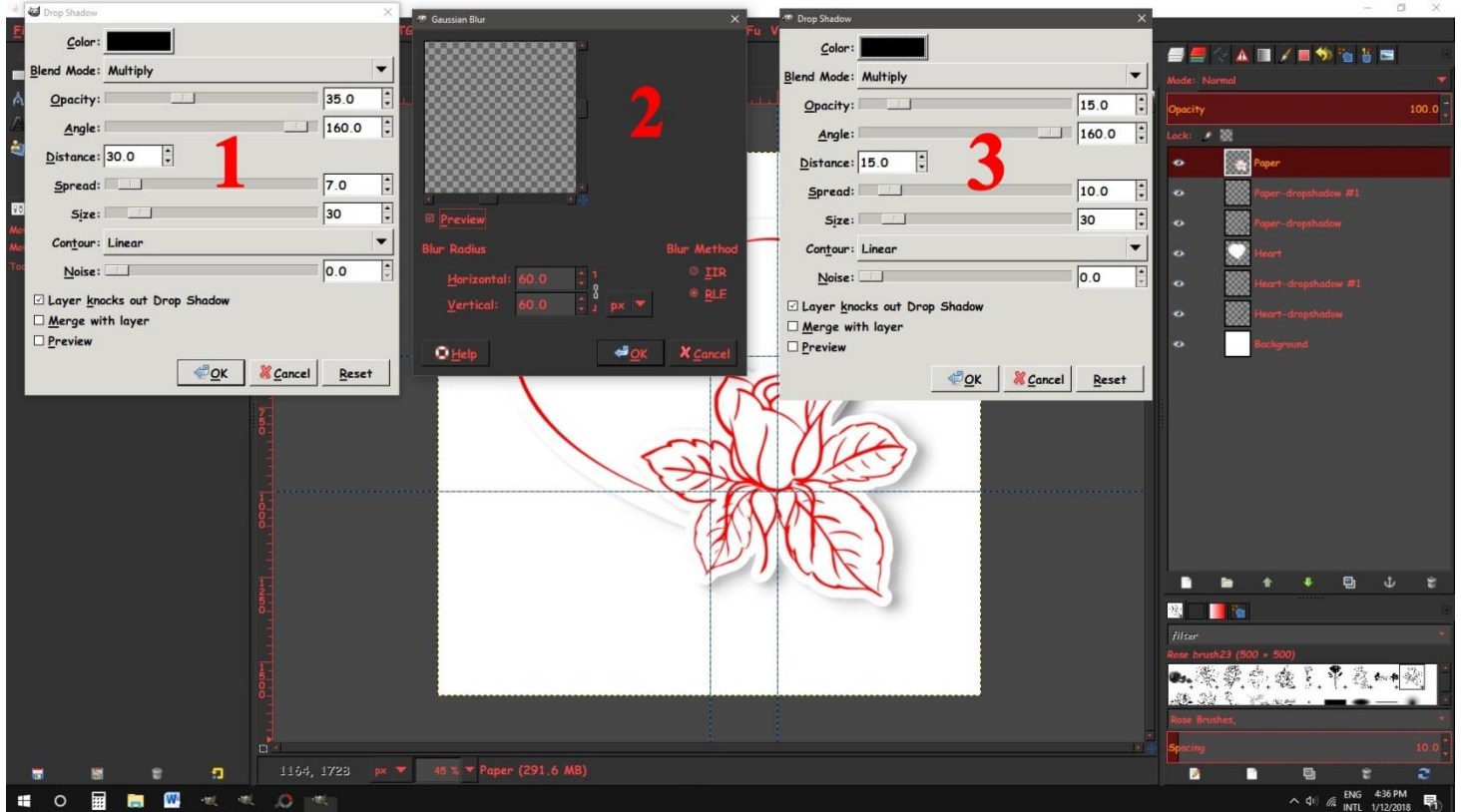
7. Add a New layer on top of all others and name it “Rose”. Place two guidelines on the marks: Horizontal> 1000 and Vertical> 1000. Take the brush “Rose brush23”, make the size> 900 and use the same Red color. Go ahead paint on the marks, 1000/1000.



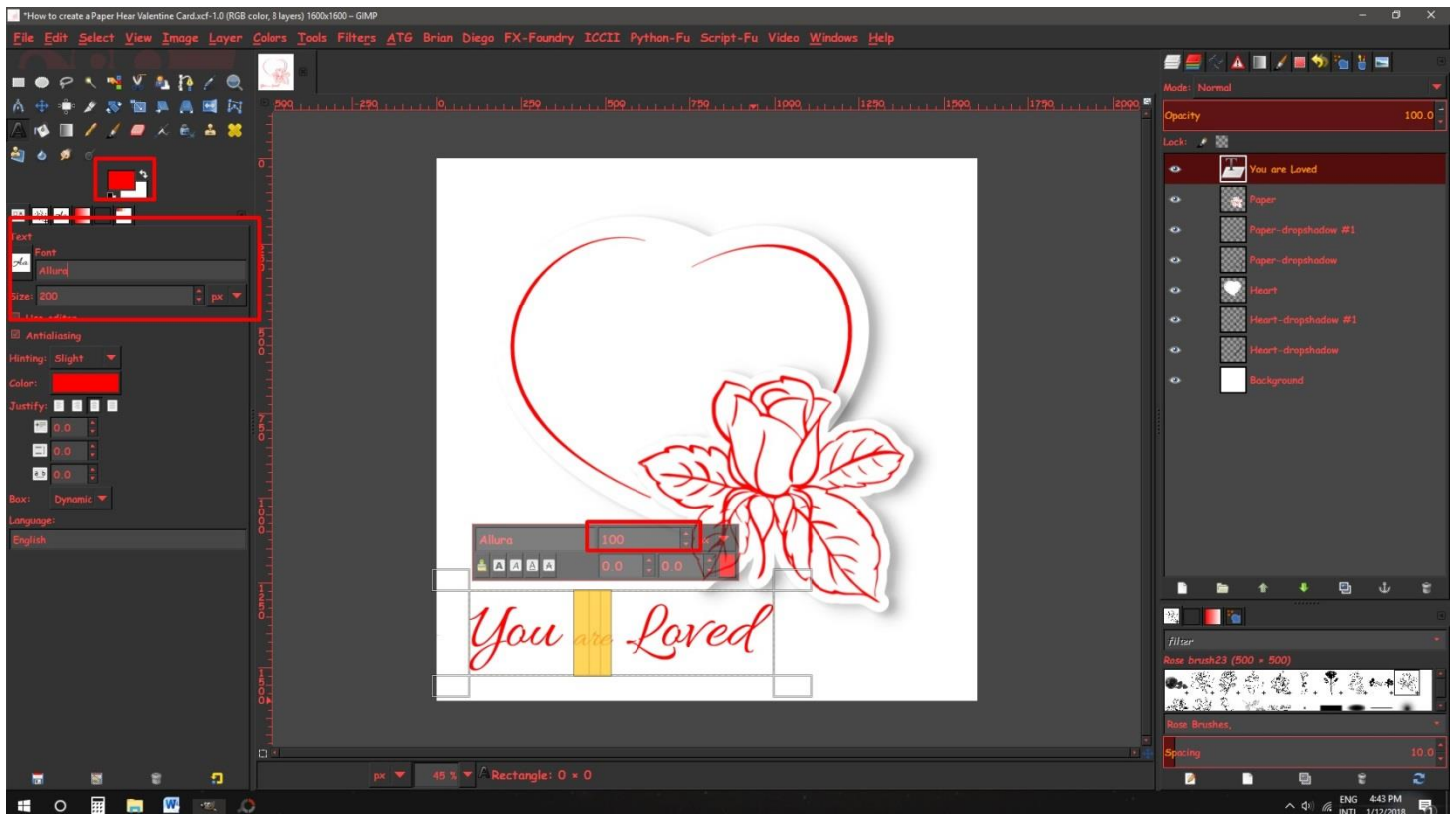
8. Take the “Fuzzy select tool”, and click once outside or away from the flower to create selection. Go to Select> Invert, then Select> Grow and grow by 25 px. Add a New layer under the top layer and name it “Paper”. With the white color, fill the selection and get rid of the selection after that.



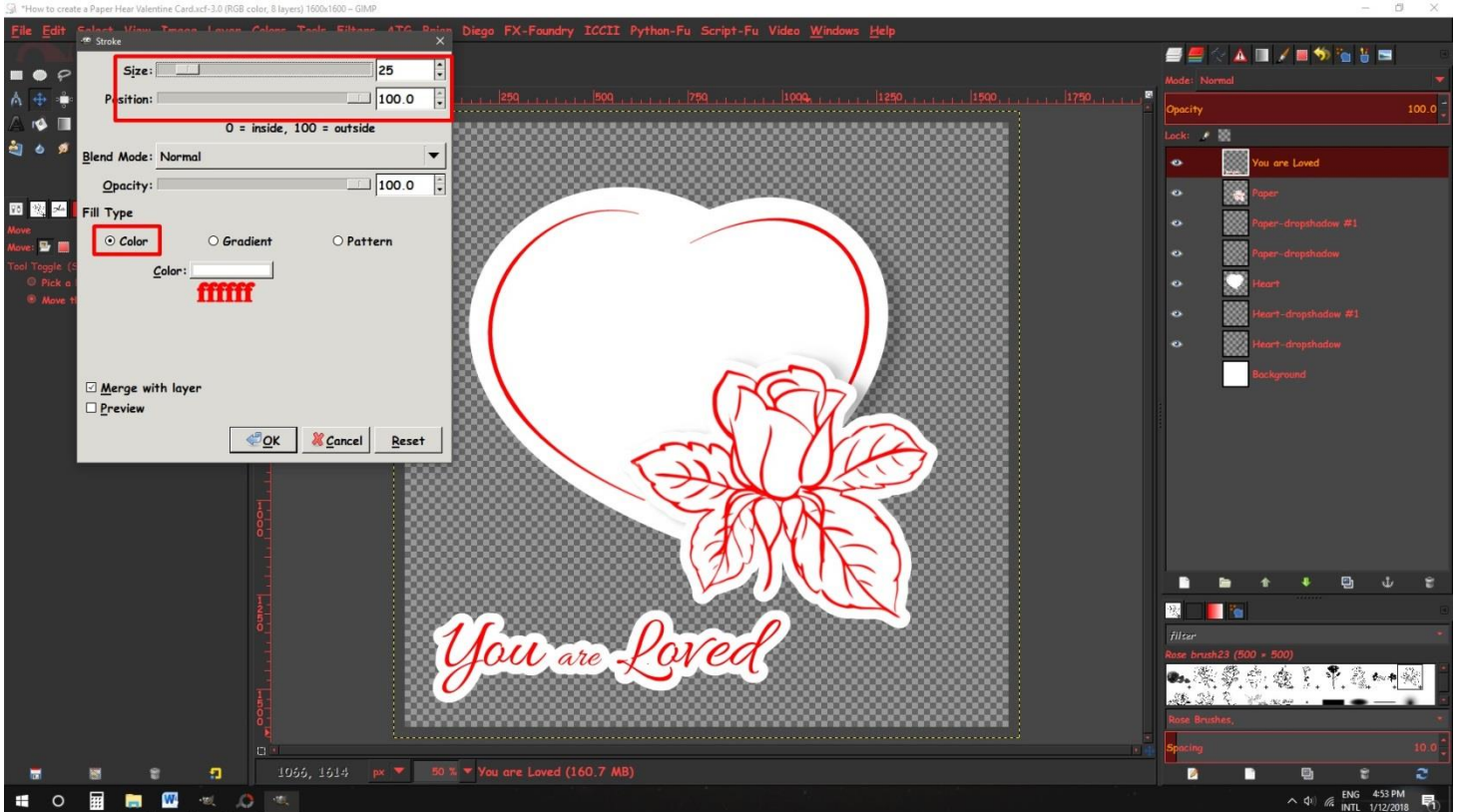
9. Merge down the top layer, apply the same Layer Effects> Drop Shadow, Gaussian blur and Drop Shadow again.



10. Write your Text, I used the font “Allura” with the size> 200 px. On the Text tool bar, first I highlighted the lower case words and reduce the size by 100 px. In that case the words YOU and Loved will stand out.



11. Now, make the Background Invisible so you can see the result of the Filter you're going to use next. Go to: Layer> layer Effects> Stroke, set the color to> White and apply.



12. Apply the same Layer Effects> Drop Shadow, Gaussian blur and Drop Shadow again but with different configurations. Congratulation you just created a Valentine's day Ecard to send to someone.

