**Luminar AI Notes**

View the Luminar AI Users’ Manual at <https://manual.skylum.com/>

****Also on the SLO Bytes Photo Group web site at <https://www.slobytes.org/digital/documents/Luminar%20AI.pdf>

**Cropping**
Crop by navigating to Essentials/Composition/Ratio/Free Like this

Straighten the Horizon with Essentials/Composition/Perspective



The **Compare** Button divides the screen with a vertical line

On the left, it shows the image before editing. On the right, it

shows that image after editing. The vertical line can be dragged

left or right to show the editing effects on more or less of the screen



Just to the right of the Compare Button is the **Eyeball**. Pressing and holding it shows the image before editing.

Releasing the button shows it with editing. The keyboard shortcut for this same action is \, the backslash key.

Keyboard Shortcuts (Windows)

**Ctrl + [** Rotate Image Left

**Ctrl + ]** Rotate Image Right
**Ctrl + Shift + R** Revert to Original
**Ctrl + +** Zoom In

**Ctrl + –** Zoom Out

**Ctrl + 1** Zoom to 100%

**Ctrl + 0** Fit Image to Window
**C** Crop tool

**Ctrl + J** Clone & Stamp Tool

**Alt** Change Chosen Part for Cloning

**Ctrl + E** Erase tool

**X** Press the X key while in Crop mode to Rotate the Aspect

Ratio. Switch crop between portrait and landscape orientation.
**Ctrl + I** Invert the layer mask

**Ctrl + Delete** Clear layer mask

**[** Decrease the brush radius

**]** Increase the brush radius

**Shift + [** Decrease the brush softness

**Shift + ]** Increase the brush softness

**X** Toggle Brush/Erase Modes

To view the name of the file in the Catalog view, look in the lower right hand corner of the screen.
To view the name of the file that you are editing, look in the lower left hand corner of the screen.

**L** Switch to the Catalog Panel

**T** Switch to the Templates Panel

**D** Switch to Edit Mode and Panel

**I** Toggle Info Sidebar showing exposure information

**E** Switch to Export Panel

**Ctrl + +** Zoom In

**Ctrl + –** Zoom Out

**Ctrl + 1** Zoom to 100%

**Ctrl + 0** Fit Image to Window

**;** Compare

Masking replaces Layers in Luminar AI. The program does not have Layers per se but Masking achieves the same effect

Steps

Click on Local Masking Button

Click **Add**

Select the area to which you wish to apply the mask

Click the Add button

Click the dotted button to the right of Paint Mask

Select Inverse to mask everything but the area you select

Paint the area, first resizing the radius of the tool if needed

Choose an Edit slider and adjust it

View the results on the image

Apply an edit to that area

**Adding Custom Skies**

Go to Tools/Creative (Scroll down)

Click on **SKY AI**

Click the down-facing arrow and go to the bottom

Click on the entry **Load Custom Sky Images**

Navigate to the folder in which they are located

Click on the single sky file that you want

NOTE: The second item in the Sky AI drop down menu will now be **Show Custom Skies** but clicking on any of those images will not load them. It will only display them. Add them singly as described above.