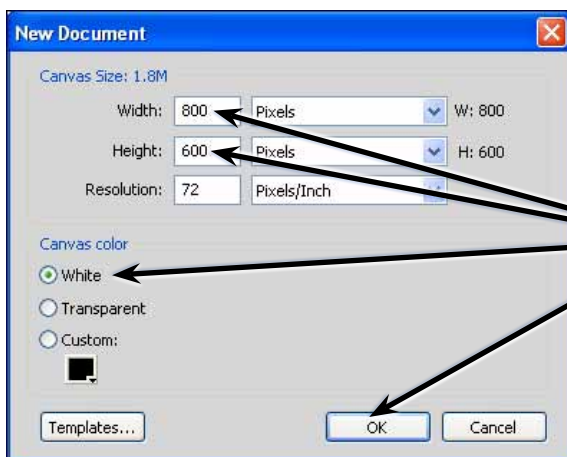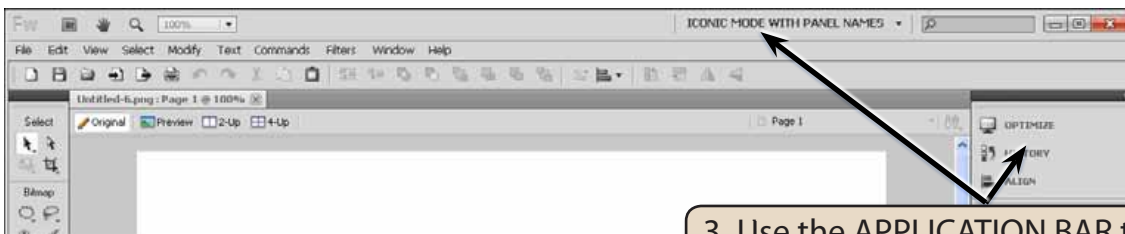# Using Text

Text can be included in FireWorks documents. This text can be formatted, have effects applied to it and set to flow along a path.

Starting the Document

1   Load Adobe FireWorks CS5 or close the current documents then select FIREWORKS DOCUMENT from the CREATE NEW section of the FIREWORKS WELCOME screen.

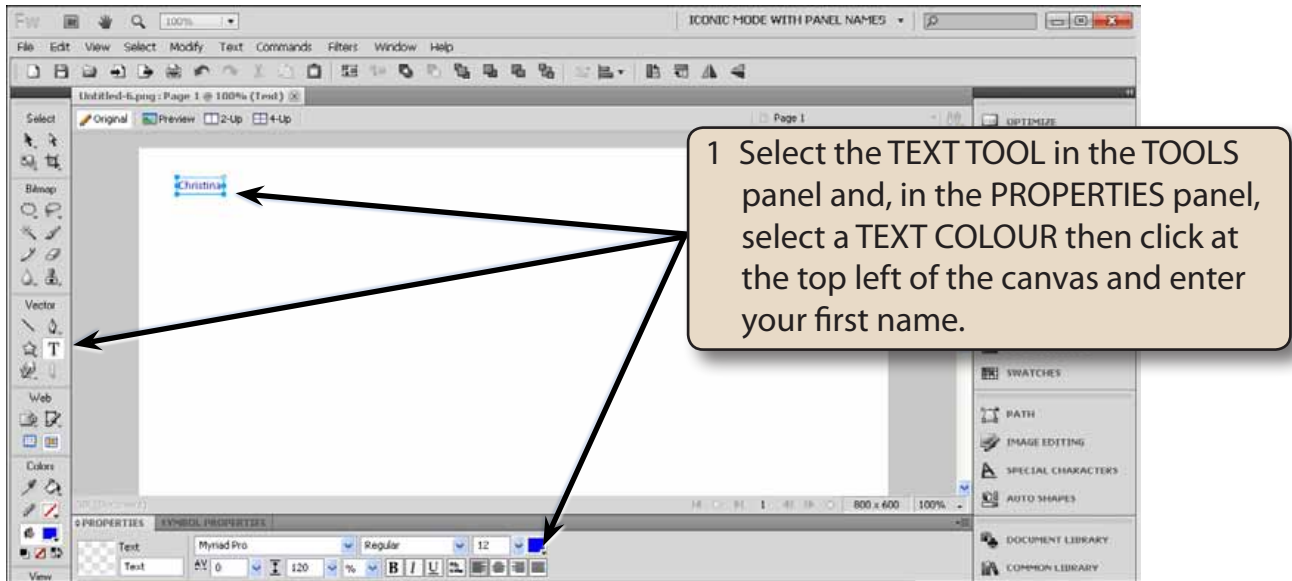2 Set the WIDTH to 800 pixels, the HEIGHT to 600 pixels, the CANVAS COLOUR to WHITE and select OK.

3 Use the APPLICATION BAR to set the workspace to ICONIC MODE WITH PANEL NAMES so that the panel names are displayed in the PANEL GROUP.
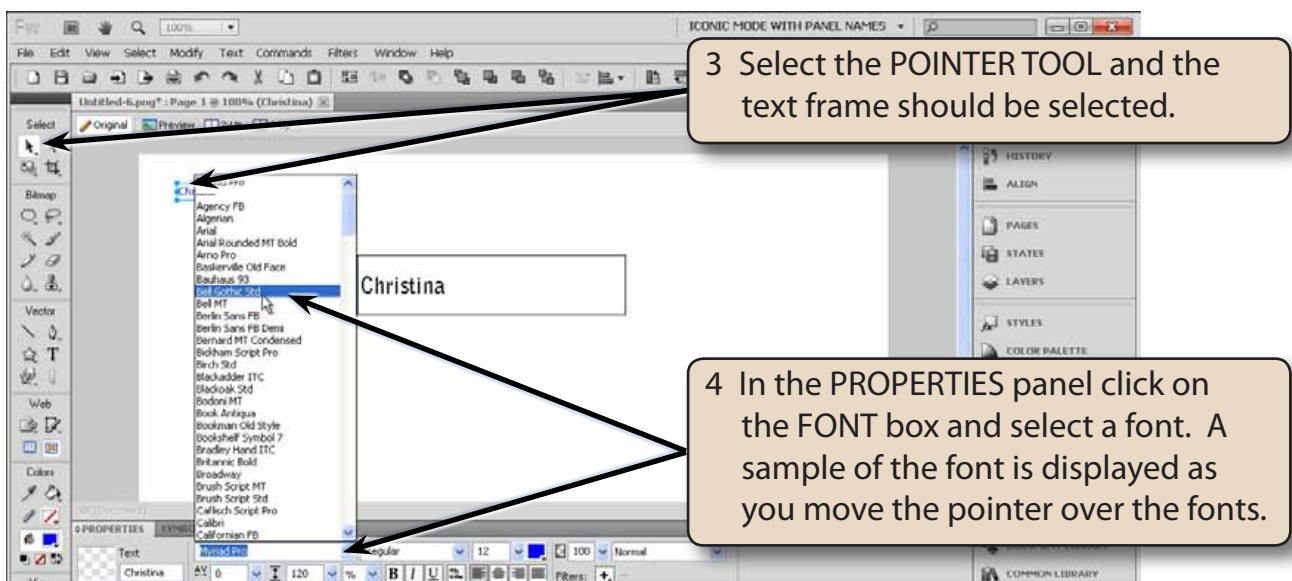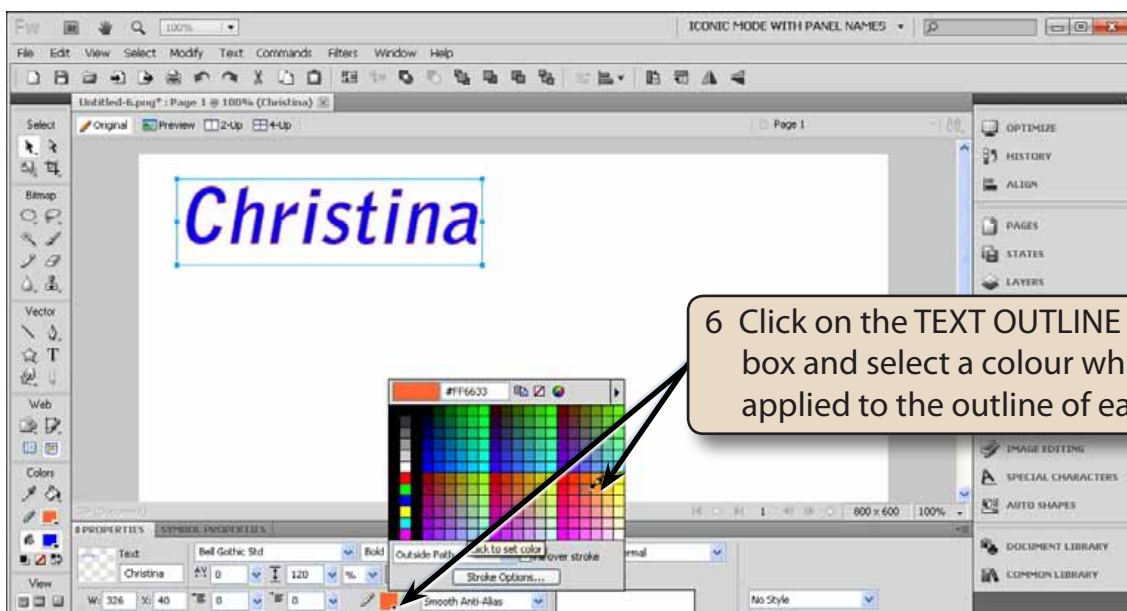
Entering Text

There are two types of text in FireWorks. POINT TEXT where you click on the canvas and type, and AREA TEXT where you define the width of the text frame.

A   Point Text

1 Select the TEXT TOOL in the TOOLS panel and, in the PROPERTIES panel, select a TEXT COLOUR then click at the top left of the canvas and enter your first name.

2   The PROPERTIES panel contains most of the standard formatting tools for the text.

3 Select the POINTER TOOL and the text frame should be selected.

4 In the PROPERTIES panel click on the FONT box and select a font. A sample of the font is displayed as you move the pointer over the fonts.

5 Turn on the BOLD and ITALIC buttons, and set the FONT SIZE to about 80 pt.

6 Click on the TEXT OUTLINE COLOUR box and select a colour which is applied to the outline of each letter.

NOTE: Fonts usually have set styles built into them. These styles can be applied from the FONT STYLES box in the PROPERTIES panel.

7 Click on the TEXT ORIENTATION button in the PROPERTIES panel and select VERTICAL RIGHT TO LEFT to set the letters to vertical.

8 Return the text to HORIZONTAL LEFT TO RIGHT using the ORIENTATION button.