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PHOTOSHOPVERSION





SPREADSHEETS & CARD CONTENT

The Photoshop version of this card template leverages the power of Photoshop's Data Sets and Variables. This means that certain elements of the card template can be changed by inputting your desired information into the provided spreadsheet, saving the spreadsheet as a Tab Delimited .txt file, and then importing that Tab Delimited .txt file into Photoshop. Multiple versions of the card can be created by inputting data into the provided spreadsheet. Using the spreadsheet is the fastest and most organized way to build a deck of cards with this template.

For detailed information on how to create a deck of cards in which each card consists of different information and artwork, visit the link below to download our .pdf tutorial on Photoshop Data Sets and Variables. You'll want to open Tutorial O1 – Intuitive.pdf and read through Focus O3: Create Data Sets (pages 7-9) and Focus O4: Import Data Sets (pages 10-14).

TUTORIAL DOWNLOAD PAGE: https://manifestationccs.com/tutorials/01-photoshop-variables-data-sets/

If you have any questions about this card template feature, feel free to contact us through our **CONTACT** page.



To see this card's Data Sets and Variables in action: 1) Go to Image > Apply Data Set, 2) Select the example Data Set in the popup window (tick/check "Preview").











SPREADSHEETS & CARD CONTENT

SPREADSHEET COLUMN TO PHOTOSHOP LAYER CORRELATION (SPREADSHEET COLUMN | PHOTOSHOP LAYER)

Header | Text > Header

Use to edit text.

Paragraph | Text > Paragraph

Use to edit text.

Footer | Text > Footer

Use to edit text.

Icon | Icon/Text > Icon Placeholder

Path to icon graphic.

IconVis | Icon/Text > Icon Placeholder

True = Icon Visible | False = Icon Hidden

Text | Icon/Text > Text

Use to edit text.

TextVis | Icon/Text > Text

True = Text Visible | False = Text Hidden

Gem 1 Vis | Sword > Gem 1

• True = Gem Visible | False = Gem Hidden

Gem2Vis | Sword > Gem 2

True = Gem Visible | False = Gem Hidden

Gem3Vis | Sword > Gem 1

- True = Gem Visible | False = Gem Hidden
 Artwork | Artwork > Artwork Placeholder
 - Path to card artwork.







TEXTELEMENTS

CARD FRONT

- The "Text" layer group contains "Header," "Paragraph," and "Footer" text layers. These layers have been defined as Photoshop Variables and as such can be edited by using the provided spreadsheet.
- The "Icon/Text" layer group contains a "Text" text layer. This layer has been defined as Photoshop Variables and as such can be edited by using the provided spreadsheet.
- Most text layers have Photoshop layer styles applied to them, designed to add to the aesthetic of the card template's visual theme.

CARD REAR

• The "Logo/Symbol (w/ Transparency)" layer group contains a "Rear Title" Photoshop text layer. Type in your preferred text and position the text to your liking. Layer Styles and effects have been aplied to the "Logo/Symbol (w/ Transparency)" layer group, and will be applied to any text within the group.





TEXTELEMENTS

FONTS

- Kirsty Bold: https://www.fontsquirrel.com/fonts/Kirsty
- Kirsty Regular: https://www.fontsquirrel.com/fonts/Kirsty
- Kirsty Bold Italic: https://www.fontsquirrel.com/fonts/Kirsty

I C O N E L E M E N T S

CARD FRONT

- The "Icon/Text" layer group contains an "Icon (Placeholder)" layer used for precise alignment and positioning of icons. This layer consists of two 1 pixel dots positioned at the upper left and lower right corners of an invisible square. This layer has been defined as a Photoshop Variable and as such can be edited by using the provided spreadsheet.
- The "Icon (Placeholder)" layer has Photoshop layer styles applied to it, designed to add to the aesthetic of the card template's visual theme. This layer is designed to work with flat, single color icons containing transparency information.
- Icon Dimensions (WxH): 147x147 pixels. Use the provided "Icons.psd" file to create icon .png files sized to the right dimensions for the template.

CARD REAR

• Place single color logos/symbols containing transparency information in the "Logo/Symbol (w/ Transparency)" layer group to have the card's custom layer style applied to your logo/symbol and/or text.







ARTWORK

CARD FRONT

- Inside of the Artwork layer group is the "Artwork Placeholder" layer. The Artwork Placeholder layer consists of two 1 pixel dots positioned at the upper left and lower right corners of an invisible rectangle. This layer has been defined as a Photoshop Variable and as such can be edited by using the provided spreadsheet.
- Artwork created for this template should be sized to 825x1125 (WxH) pixels.
- Use the included "Artwork.psd" file to prepare artwork with the right dimesnions for this card template.
- This template was designed to work well with illustrations that contain transparency (.png files), as well as illustrations that cover the entire artwork area/space (.jpg files). Illustrations that have transparency information will take advantage of the template's background.







GIMP VERSION



IMPORTING GIMP GRADIENTS

CREATE GRADIENT FOLDER / PATH / DIRECTORY

- 1) In Gimp, go to the "Edit" tab and click "Preferences".
- 2) Expand the "Folders" option by clicking the "+" symbol to the left of the "Folders" icon.
- 3) Click/Select the "Gradients" option.
- 4) Click the "New File/Directory" icon (far left icon that looks like blank paper/file)
- 5) Click the folder icon to the right of the path entry/text field to browse your computer for the folder that will host your Gimp gradient file(s).ggr. Click "OK".
- 6) The path you selected to the folder that will host the Gimp gradient files is now added to the list of paths/directories. Tick/check your folder's path and click the "OK" button located at the bottom right of the window.

MOVING GRADIENT FILE(S)

- 1) Navigate to the "Gradients" folder of the Manifestation CCS Card Frames for Prototypes Gimp card template.
- 2) Copy or Cut the "Card-##_Gradient-##.ggr" file and paste it into your Gimp gradient folder.

TESTING GRADIENT FILE(S)

1) In the "Tool Options" panel click in the "Gradient" text field and type in the name of the gradient file you want to use. If you do not see the gradient file listed in the drop-down selection after typing its name in the text field, the gradient file is not located in a path/directory Gimp recognizes. Follow the instructions in the "CREATE GRADIENT FOLDER / PATH / DIRECTORY" section above to set up a Gradient Folder to house Gimp gradient files.







LAYERFXPLUGIN

DOWNLOAD

- Windows (Right-click and save): <u>layerfx.scm</u>
- Ubuntu GNU/Linux | MAC OS (Right-click and save): layerfx.2.8.py

INSTALL

- Windows 10 (GIMP 2.8):
 - After downloading the layerfx.scm file from the link above, copy/cut it, and paste it into the following path/directory:
 - C: \ Program Files \ GIMP 2 \ share \ gimp \ 2.0 \ scripts
- Ubuntu GNU/Linux:
 - After downloading the layerfx.2.8.py file from the link above, copy/cut it, and paste it into the following path/directoy:
 - / directory / usr / lib / gimp / 2.0 / pluq-ins /
- MAC OS (GIMP 2.8):
 - After downloading the layerfx.2.8.py file from the link above, copy/cut it, and paste it into one of the following paths/directories:
 (System-wide Script-Fu scripts): / Applications / GIMP.app / Contents / Resources / share / gimp / 2.0 / scripts /
 (Executable & Python plugins): / Applications / GIMP.app / Contents / Resources / lib / gimp / 2.0 / plug-ins /

For more detailed instructions visit the following link: https://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/GIMP/Installing_Plugins







TEXTELEMENTS

CARD FRONT

- The "Text" layer group contains "Header," "Paragraph," and "Footer" text layers.
- The "Icon/Text" layer group contains a "Text" text layer.

CARD REAR

• The layer group "Logo/Symbol (w/ Transparency)" contains a "Rear Title" text layer.

FONTS

- Kirsty Bold: https://www.fontsquirrel.com/fonts/Kirsty
- Kirsty Regular: https://www.fontsquirrel.com/fonts/Kirsty
- Kirsty Bold Italic: https://www.fontsquirrel.com/fonts/Kirsty





TEXTELEMENTS

The Text in this template was designed to be viewed with effects generated by the Layer Effects Script-Fu plugin. You will need the GIMP plugin: "LayerFX" to add layer effects to text layers. Download and install the Layer FX plugin using the instructions on the <u>LayerFX Plugin page</u>. All layer effect styling parameters can be found in the <u>Text & Icon Styling section</u>.





ICONELEMENTS

CARD FRONT

- The "Icon/Text" layer groups contains an "Icon Example" layer designed to give users an example of how correctly transformed, positioned, and sized icons should appear within the template.
- The "Icon/Text" layer group also contains an "Icon Area" layer created to assist in icon positioning. Position your icons within the boundaries of these layers for the best visual results.
- Icon Dimensions (WxH): 147x147 pixels. Use the provided "Icons.xcf" file to create icon .png files sized to the right dimensions for the template.

CARD REAR

• Place all logos/symbols with transparency in the "Logo/Symbol (w/ Transparency) layer for effective layer organization within the template.

Icons (and Logos/Symbols) with transparency information (.png files) added to this template should be viewed with effects generated by the Layer Effects Script-Fu plugin. You will need the GIMP plugin: "LayerFX" to add layer effects to icon (and logo/symbol) layers. Download and install the Layer FX plugin using the instructions on the <u>LayerFX Plugin page</u>. All layer effect styling parameters can be found in the <u>Text & Icon Styling section</u>.





ARTWORK

CARD FRONT

- To add artwork to this template open your artwork as a layer (Ctrl+Alt+O) over the "Artwork Placeholder" layer, and replace it.
- Artwork for this template should be sized to 825x1125 (WxH) pixels. Use the included "Artwork.xcf" file to prepare artwork with the right dimesnions for this card template.
- This template was designed to work well with illustrations that contain transparency (.png files), as well as illustrations that cover the entire artwork area/space (.jpg files). Illustrations that have transparency information will take advantage of the template's background.





TEXT&ICONSTYLING

CARD FRONT

Header:

- Text |
 - Font: Kirsty Bold
 - Size: 11pt
 - Color: 000000
 - Alignment: Center
 - Transform:
 - -- Rotate Tool: -1.5
- Gradient Overlay |
 - 1. Duplicate Header layer.
 - 2. Select Blend tool
 - 3. Type "Card 21_Gradient 01" in Gradient search field and select it.
- 4. Click and drag mouse over targeted text or icon layer, (starting at the bottom and ending at the top) releasing the mouse at the top of the layer.
 - 5. Right-click original Header layer and click/select "Alpha to Selection"
 - 6. Select Gradient Layer and press "Ctrl+I" to invert the selection.
 - 7. Press "Delete" button to clear selected area. Press Shift+Ctrl+A to deselect.
- Drop Shadow |
 - Color: 000000Opacity: 18.0Contour: Linear

- Noise: 0.0
- Blending Mode: Multiply
- Spread: 0.0
- Size: 1.0
- Offset Angle: 90.0
- Offset Distance: 2.0
- Layer knocks out Drop Shadow: Yes
- Merge with layer: No

Paragraph:

- Text |
 - Font: Kirsty Regular
 - Size: 7pt
 - Leading: 7pt
 - Color: 000000
 - Alignment: Justify Last Left
- Blending Options |
 - Fill: 80%

Footer:

• Text

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- Font: Kirsty Bold Italic
- Size: 16pt
- Color: 000000
- Alignment: Center





TEXT&ICONSTYLING

Icon, Text:

- Text |
 - Font: Kirsty Regular
 - Size: 32.04pt
 - Color: 000000
 - Alignment: Center
- Transform
 - Rotate Tool: 7.0
 - Perspective Tool: Adjust to liking
- Drop Shadow |
 - Color: 000000
 - Opacity: 57.0
 - Contour: Linear
 - Noise: 0.0
 - Blending Mode: Normal
 - Spread: 0.0
 - Size: 0.5
 - Offset Angle: 133.0
 - Offset Distance: 10.0
 - Layer knocks out Drop Shadow: Yes
 - Merge with layer: No
- Stroke
 - Color: 000000

- Opacity: 100.0
- Blending Mode: Normal
- Size: 2
- Position: 100.0
- Merge with layer: No
- Color Overlay | (Icon)
 - Color: ffffff
 - Opacity: 100.0
 - Blending Mode: Normal
 - Merge with layer: No







TEXT&ICONSTYLING

CARD REAR

Logos/Symbols (w/ Transparency):

• Drop Shadow |

- Color: 000000

- Opacity: 57.0

- Contour: Linear

- Noise: 0.0

- Blending Mode: Normal

- Spread: 0.0

- Size: 1.0

- Offset Angle: 133.0 - Offset Distance: 19.0

- Layer knocks out Drop Shadow: Yes

- Merge with layer: No

• Stroke |

- Color: 000000 - Opacity: 100.0

- Blending Mode: Normal

- Size: 6

- Position: 100.0

- Merge with layer: No

Color Overlay |

- Color: f6ff00 - Opacity: 100.0

- Blending Mode: Normal

- Merge with layer: No

• Inner Glow |

- Color: ba7327

- Opacity: 50.0

- Contour: Linear

- Noise: 0.0

- Blending Mode: Normal

- Source: Edge

- Choke: 0.0

- Size: 18.0

- Merge with layer: No

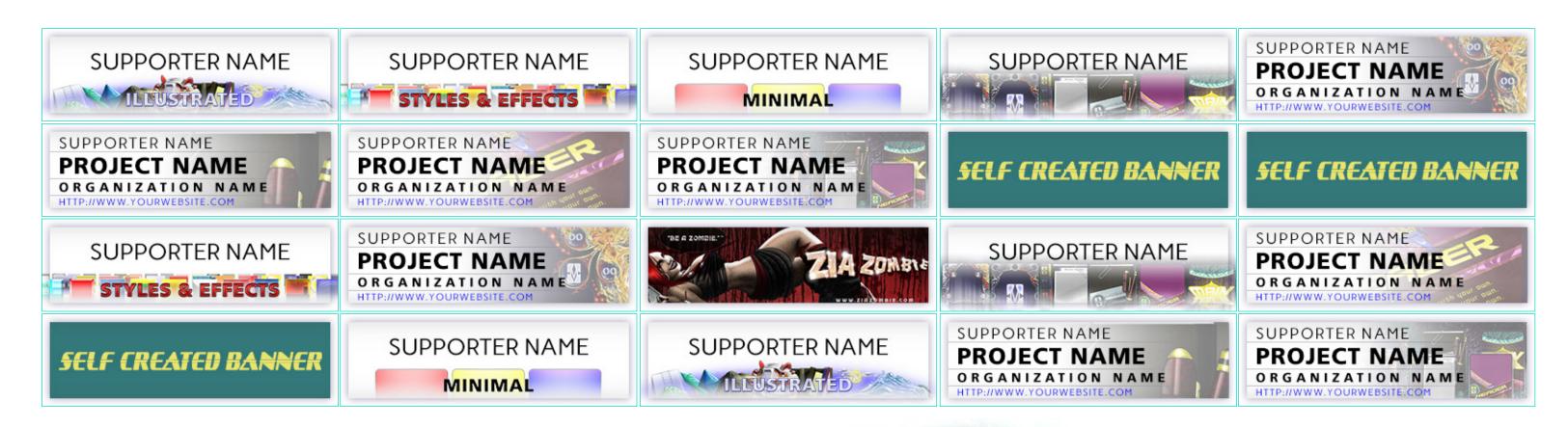






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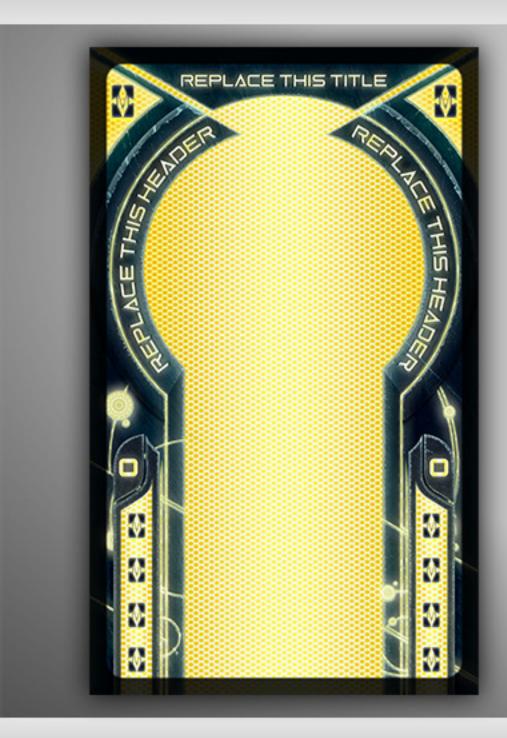
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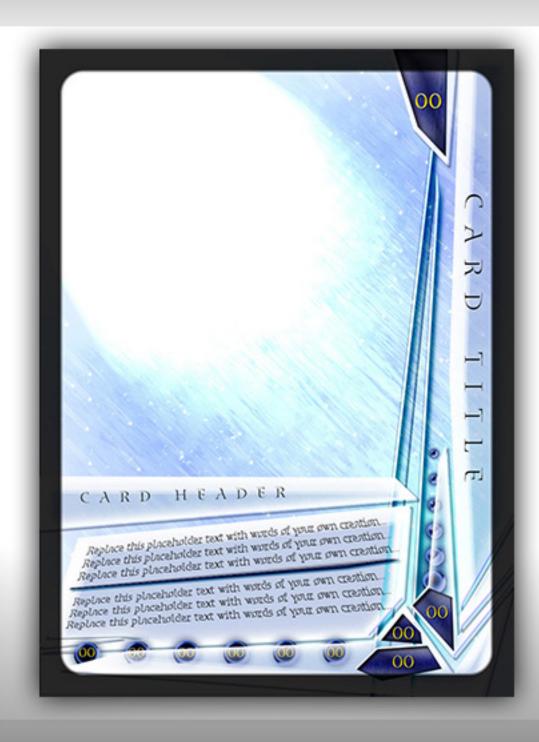


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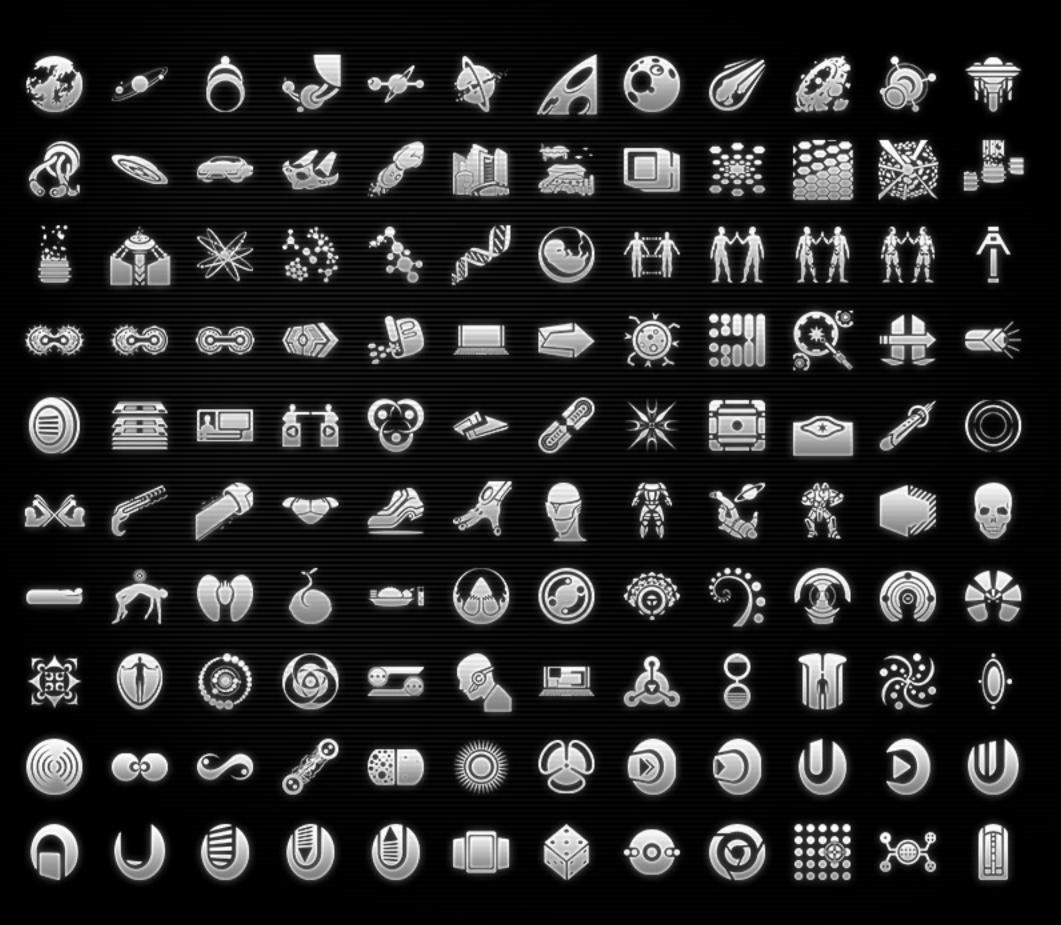




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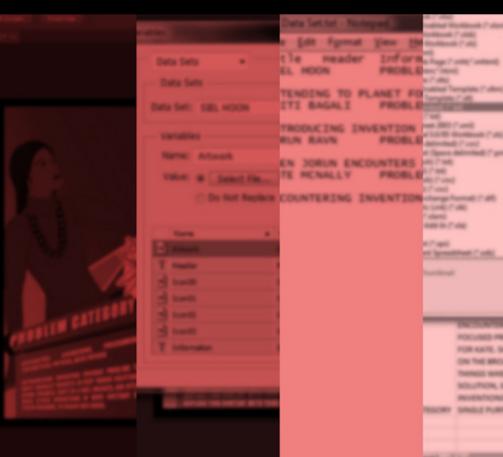


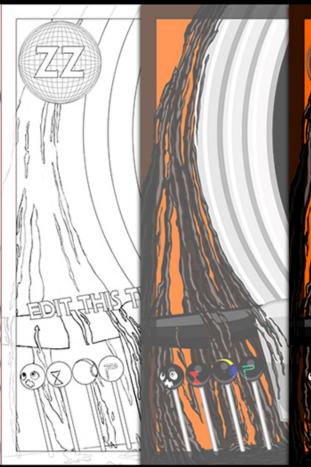
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BEST POSITIONS FOR ICONS & SYMBOLS IN CARD DESIGNS









































