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Thread: [\[LEGENDS\] Graphic Design Helpdesk \[For Designers, Consumers, and Marketers\]](#)

**Rivalry** - April 12, 2016, 7:21 am

[img]http://s9.postimg.org/57pm7cwyr/LEGENDS\_2\_0\_HEADER.png[/img]

"Others toil their entire lives to make a name for themselves, some are just born LEGENDS."

Hey all!

On behalf of Legends, I'd like to present our graphics helpdesk. We're here to answer any and all of your design and marketing related problems, whether you're a designer, a marketer, or a consumer.

[img]http://s9.postimg.org/jzubyp2v3/LEGENDS\_2\_0\_DELIMETER.png[/img]

Members

[Rivalry](#) - web/ui/ux/app/thread design, Photoshop, Adobe Creative Suite, copywriting, marketing, CnC, freelancing, information design, principles of design --- Hot Since '82

[Atom](#) - web/ui/ux/app/thread design, Photoshop, Illustrator, After Effects, Sony Vegas, CnC, principles of design -- plays with pixels

[Shay Mitchell](#) - animation specialist, signatures, thread designs, After Effects, Photoshop --- he's sexy af though

[Sejskaler](#) (Third party support. Non-Legends) - illustration, drawing, traditional media, logo design, photomanipulation, colouring

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Things we can help you with on this thread:

- Feedback and CnC on work
- How to do basically anything in Photoshop (tools, styles, effects etc)
- How copyright/IP works
- Which programs are best for design and how to obtain them
- 'I want to do x but I've never opened Photoshop in my life, help me'
- How to get started with design as a more serious hobby/job
- How to freelance properly
- As a consumer, how to buy high-quality graphics safely (I've underlined this because it's important)
- Copywriting
- Marketing

Got a question? We're here to help! Drop it below or PM one of us :)

**sHAY** - April 12, 2016, 8:17 am

Hello, Shay here, i can help out with a lot of animations, such as text animations. I can also help with signatures and thread designs, I use photoshop and after effects for this

**Ooze** - April 12, 2016, 9:43 am

Bumping this and keeping this fresh I vouch for these guys and will go to you if I have any questions

Classic™ - April 12, 2016, 6:14 pm

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Rivalry - April 13, 2016, 2:49 am

(Apr 12, 2016 06:14 PM)Classic™ Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I need help on like thread design solid color but need to find texture/backdrop

Hey! If it's a texture you're looking for, this site can help:

<http://www.texturemate.com/content/texturepacks>

When using a texture, be sure to set the Blending Mode of the texture layer to something appropriate like Screen or Soft Light. It may also help to reduce the Opacity to achieve a more subtle effect.

If it's a pattern you're looking for, the website I most commonly use is <http://subtlepatterns.com/> -- apply patterns by opening a layer's Layer Style, going to Pattern Overlay and loading up the pattern file from in there.

????d?? - April 13, 2016, 4:15 am

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Thank you

Have a good day

sHAY - April 13, 2016, 4:26 am

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Hello! Animations are really fun to work with, great choice.

Getting started might be frustrating at first, depending on what types of animations you're trying to do. I would start with photoshop, doing more simple animations like moving texts, objects etc. Just learning how to setup key frames and how to make them the smoothest. When you're feeling like you can do that you can move on to After effects where you can make more creative and complex animations.

Youtube and different tutorials on the forum is a great start, you might even want to download some templates and see how they're set up and work with that.

If you have any more questions you can either send me a PM or leave a comment here. Have a great day!

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**sHAY** - April 13, 2016, 7:07 am

(Apr 13, 2016 04:33 AM)????d?? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) i do not want to make animations on photoshop i want to give direct shot on After Effects? Am i doing right?

If you want to go straight on After effects that works perfectly as well. I started with photoshop though but starting with After effects would also work.

**Rivalry** - April 14, 2016, 2:22 am

(Apr 13, 2016 04:33 AM)????d?? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) i do not want to make animations on photoshop i want to give direct shot on After Effects? Am i doing right?

After Effects is your best bet to start making complex and seamless animations. It works very differently to Photoshop, so you're basically going to have to learn from scratch. YouTube is your best port of call for this.

**Atom™** - April 15, 2016, 2:37 am

(Apr 13, 2016 04:33 AM)????d?? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) i do not want to make animations on photoshop i want to give direct shot on After Effects? Am i doing right?

What Rivalry Said ^. If you intend to make really complex and hawt animations, After Effects is the way to go. Hit me up on Skype when you get the time, will link you some interesting stuff :)

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**sHAY** - April 16, 2016, 6:00 am

Bumping so we can get some activity here.

**?Arrow-?** - April 17, 2016, 12:01 pm

Please lmk if you can help with this.

<https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5240625>

**Sejskaler** - April 17, 2016, 12:27 pm

(Apr 17, 2016 12:01 PM)?Arrow-? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Please lmk if you can help with this.

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First of all, did you remember to write the expression on the point of 4 seconds? It does set a keyframe, and that might be your problem, you can always move that keyframe.

If that doesn't work, you can always make a precomp and move the precomp over in the original comp, so just do it from 0 to 1 in the precomp and work from there.

As far as I am concerned, there is nothing in the expression itself that you need to change. You can try to change the if t>0 to t>4, but I don't think that's the problem.

Try to see if the keyframe is placed properly, if it is, you can always just do the precomp trick, I believe.

Hope it helps ^^

**DustDice** - April 17, 2016, 12:29 pm

Well, not really a problem needing a solution, but: What is the best website you get for free or cracked fonts? Or just general resources.

**prada ?** - April 17, 2016, 12:31 pm

(Apr 17, 2016 12:29 PM)DustDice Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Well, not really a problem needing a solution, but: What is the best website you get for free or cracked fonts? Or just general resources.

I'm not apart of this help desk but Google fonts is great. I'd stay away from cracked fonts as it's much better to support the artist and obtain it legally.

**Sejskaler** - April 17, 2016, 12:34 pm

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There are multiple sites, but if you are looking for free fonts for personal use, I recommend using [dafont](#), most of the fonts on there are free for anything but sales purposes - Do always read the readme, included with most fonts and/or the personal note on site.

For royalty free, and fonts you can use nearly for any purpose, [fontsqureel](#) is great. You should still read the readme, to see if you are unlucky to have found a font you can not legally use. But taken you are willing to find cracked fonts, I do believe that such is none of your concern ^^

**Lo?r** - April 17, 2016, 3:28 pm

what do u think? ([Click to View](#))

**Rivalry** - April 18, 2016, 1:30 am

(Apr 17, 2016 03:28 PM)Gol?d Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) what do u think? ([Click to View](#))

Watch your vertical alignment, and watch the drop shadow or BG on the Legends banner. Also, a recurring issue I have with your work is I don't see the significance of the choice of animated background; this one obviously because it's gold but usually I'm at a bit of a loss as to why you've chosen a particular background. Presumably it's just to look cool or whatever, but.