

Luca's XLayers

Final Cut Pro Templates

12 effects and 7 generators created exclusively for FCPX extending the collection started with XOverlays. XLayers was designed for music video, promos, sport, travel, news, corporate productions and more. Use this collection of visual effects to add unique looks and

creative stylisation that can be extensively customized.

Many of the 19 templates allow editors to implement their own footage thanks to the drop zones provided. Generators like Concentric Free Shapes and Concentric Images can create stunning effects particularly when using footage from the same source with slight time differences.



Stylization is often used to max the quality and creativity of a given video and that's where XLayers can help. The pack offers different solutions for different productions and each plugin comes with a generous number of parameters to modify a given effect to taste and make it

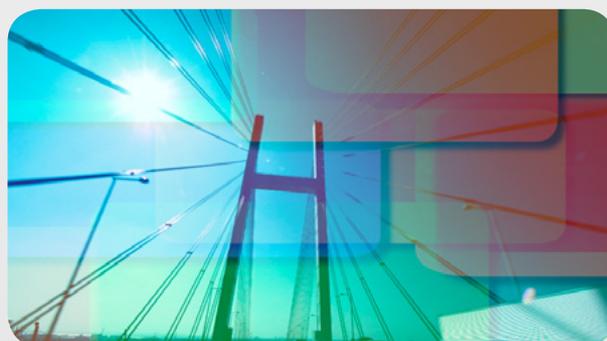
either stand out boldly or appear as a soft touch added to the images. The generators have the additional advantage that enables users to apply filters, color correction and transform tools and massively increase the customization potential.

Furthermore by keyframing position, scaling, opacity etc. of each of the customizable elements composing each generator the user can create intriguing motion graphics that can vary from image fragmentation simulation to creative overlaying of different video clips.

Color Blocks

Found in FCP X / Effects / Luca Visual FX XLayers

This effect applies animated colored blocks, which the user can customize. Like in most Luca's plugins, the parameters included allow extreme and dramatic changes, so in this case the Blur parameter can change the blocks into beautiful animated colored gradients. Alternatively the transform tools such as Scale and Shear parameters can distort and squeeze the blocks to such extent that the effect can be used as a background for text and lower third.

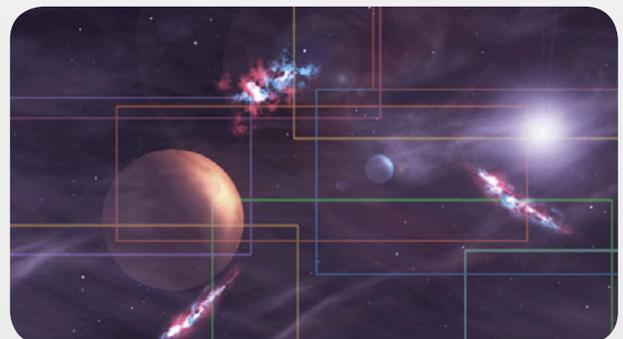


Color Frame

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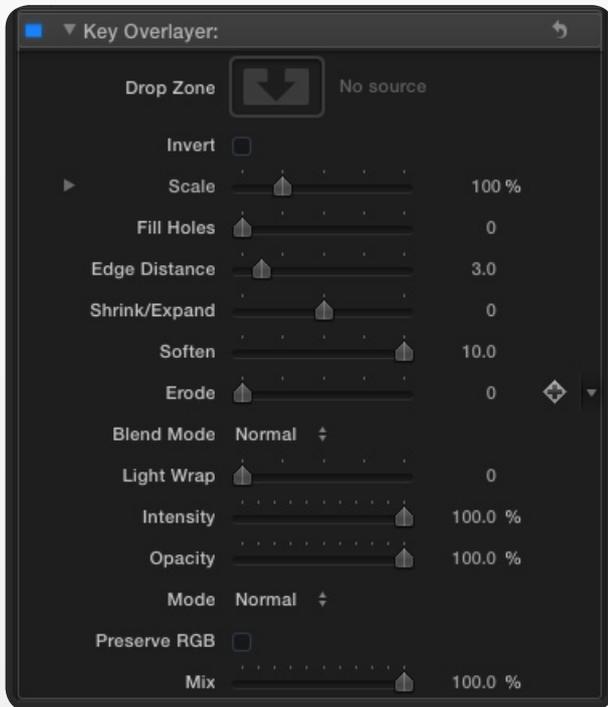


A substantial variation from Color Blocks is Color Frames. The grid of frames are animated and the user can modify many aspects of it including frame width, random scaling, color and much more. An overlay that can either be added as a simple stylization element or to highlight lines of text. Furthermore it could be implemented as part of the hi-tech mograps or in combination with Color Blocks.



Key Overlayer

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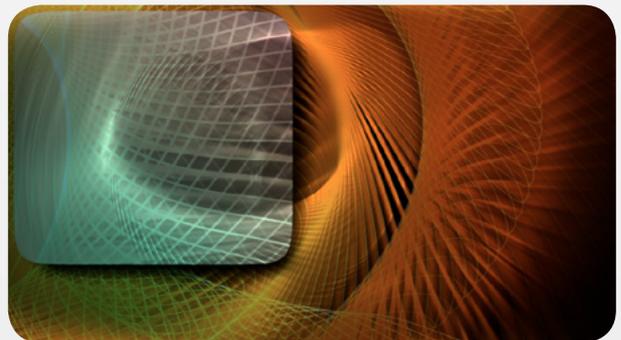
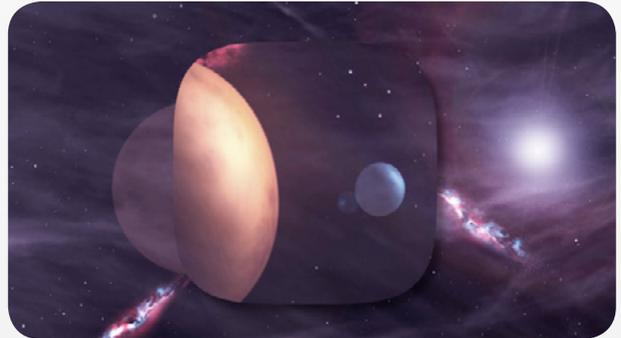
This is a rather unusual effect that allows the user to combine a custom image or video with the selected clip on the timeline by automatically keying out the 'luma' or the blacks by ticking the Invert box and softly compose the two together. It comes with a default colorful animated pattern but the user can replace it with whatever media desired. When Preserved RGB is checked, play with the Mix to create some interesting looks.



Magnifier

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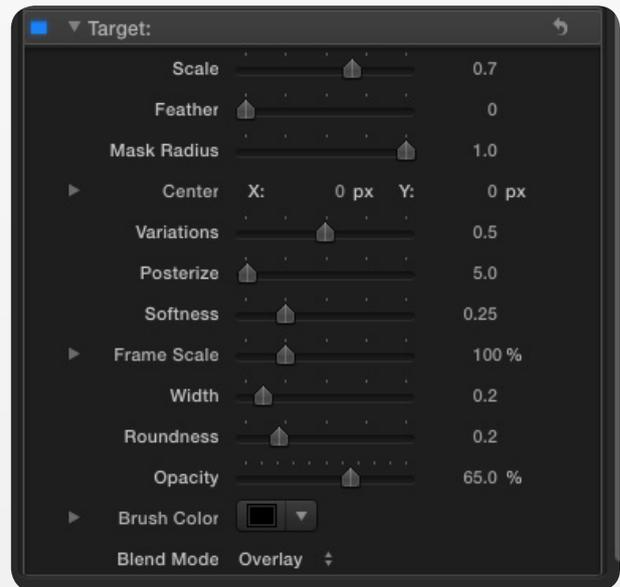
As the name suggests this effects magnifies any desired area within the clip. A shadow is cast on the rest of the image to detach the magnifier from the source clip. The user is free to modify many aspects of this effect including shape and border softness. As well as this, it is possible to further highlight a given area within a frame by using color parameters. This effect is not only useful to highlight specific areas within the image but as a stylization tool when used creatively.



Target

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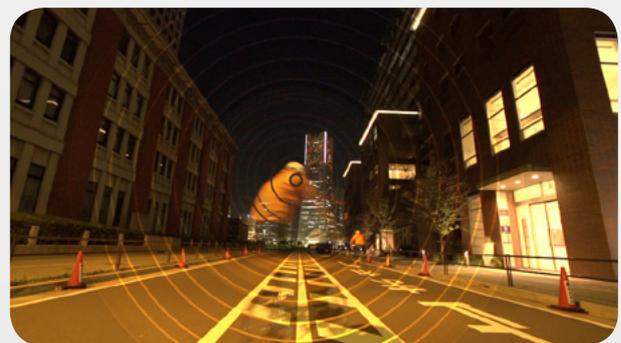
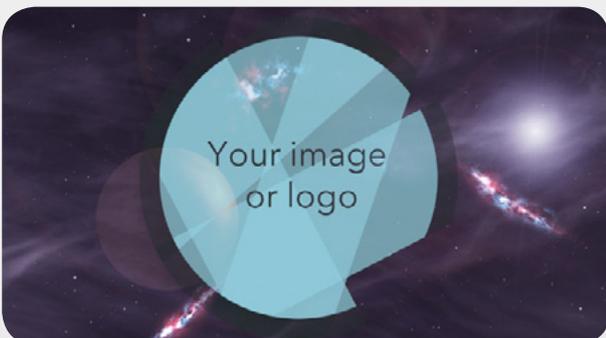
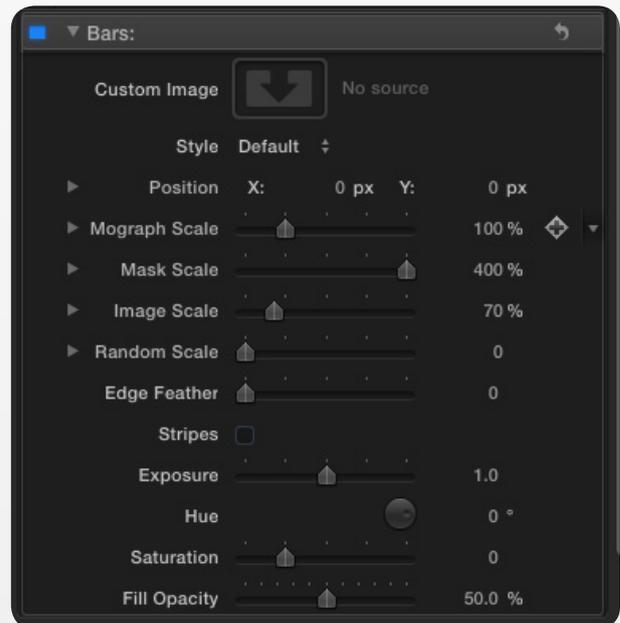
Another stylization tool, with the main characteristic being that its colors and intensity is primarily affected by the source image. The user can however modify the look and make dramatic color changes through the blend modes menu. In addition, the effect can be positioned anywhere within the screen using the OSC and resized using the Scale parameter provided.



Bars

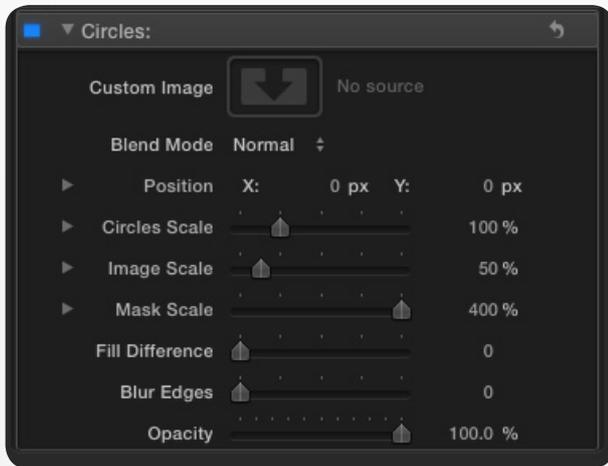
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Designed to overlay images/clips and logos which can be further customized. The image well provided enable the implementation of any type of media, which can eventually be transformed and placed anywhere within the video source. A selection of 8 different Styles may be chosen to create unique effects. By checking the stripes checkbox, the user can arrange the bars vertically.

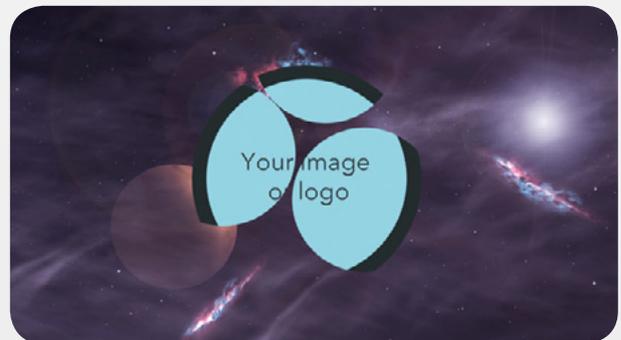
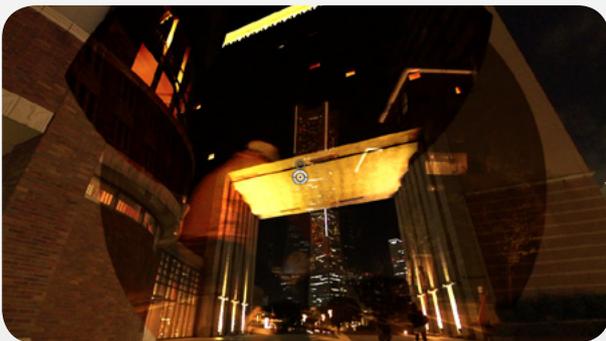


Circles

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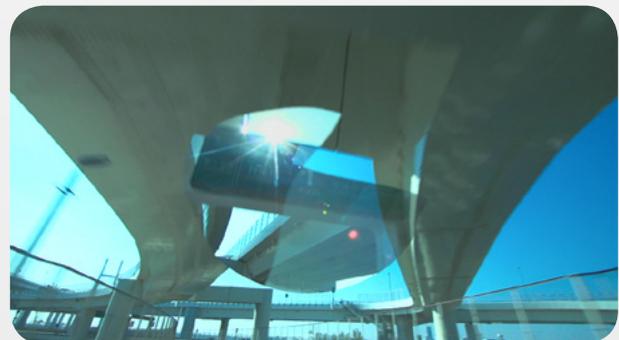
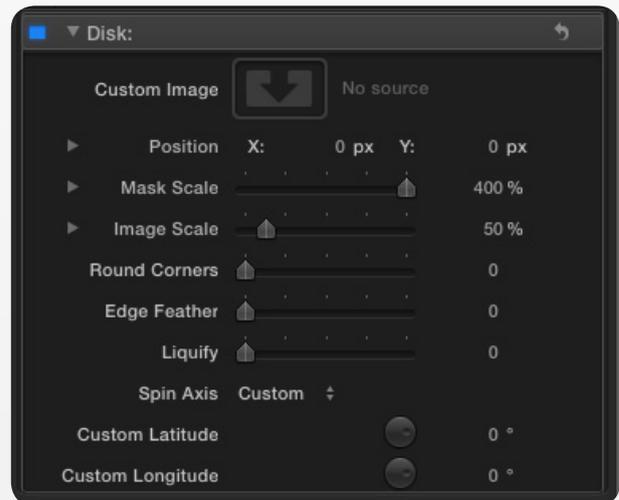
Circles is designed to overlay images/clips and logos similar to Bars and Disk, only this time using circle masks. The image well provided enables the implementation of any type of media, which can eventually be transformed and placed anywhere within the video source. By selecting a Blend Mode drastic stylizations can be achieved.



Disk

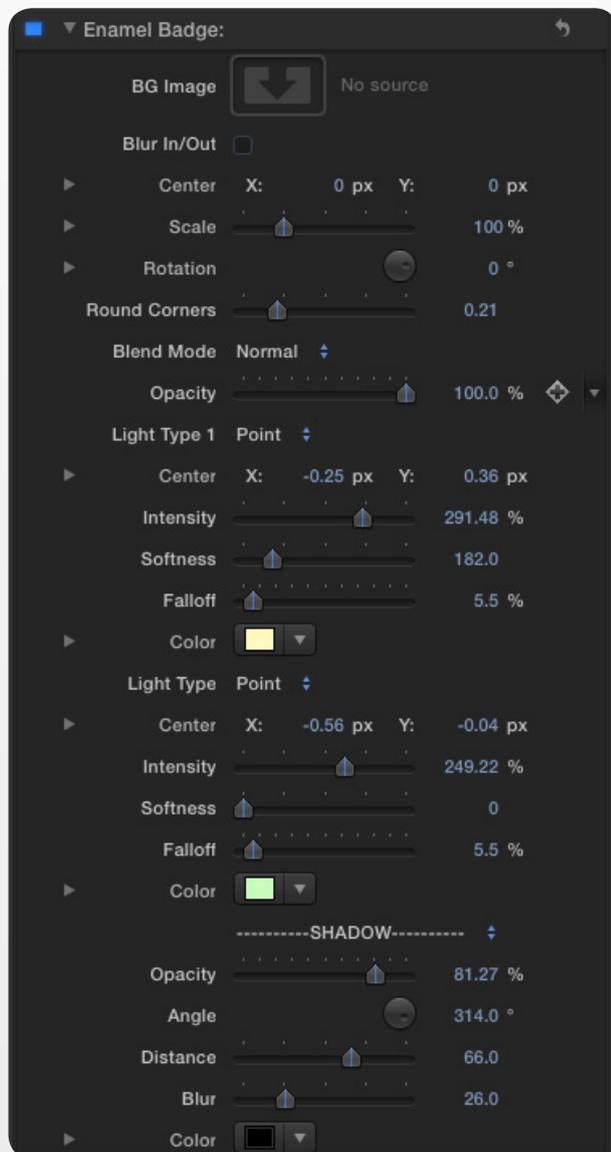
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Similar to Bars and Circles before, Disk is designed to overlay images/clips and logos which can be further customised. The image well provided enable the implementation of any type of media, which can eventually be transformed and placed anywhere within the video source. The position of the mograph can easily be adjusted using the OSC or by changing the Position X/Y parameter. Select either X,Y or Z Spin Axis to determine the direction the disk should spin. Alternatively select Custom to enable Custom Latitude and Custom Longitude.

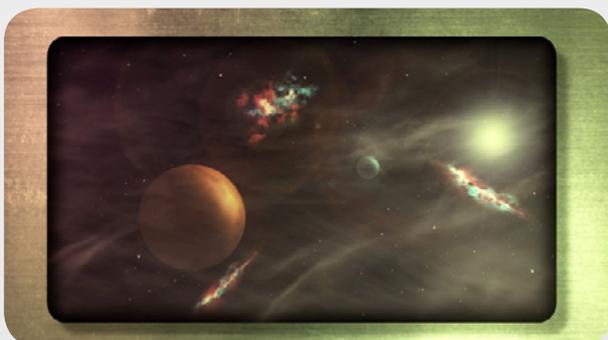


Enamel Badge

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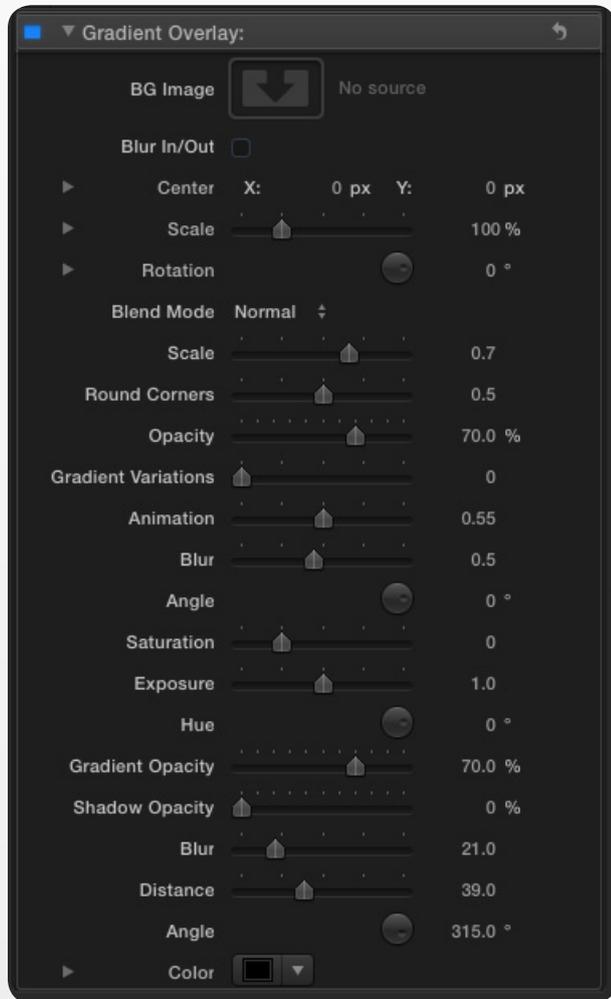


When using this effect the source clip is transformed into an inset image with a customizable background, a bevel frame and a stylized enamel badge look enhanced by 2 additional, movable lights. Parameters allow customization of both the source/inset image and the lights. The rotation parameter may be used to simulate perspective/3D look.

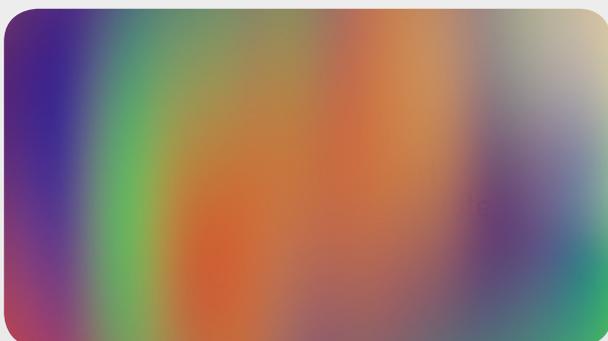


Gradient Overlay

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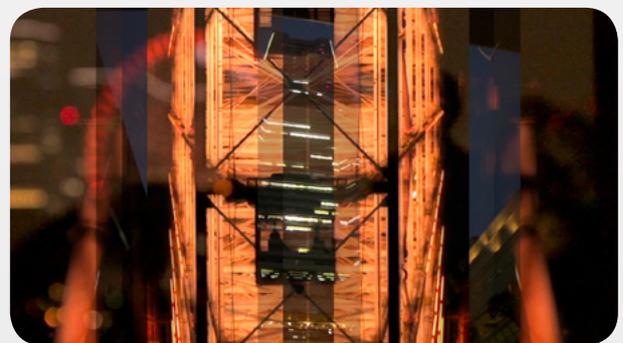
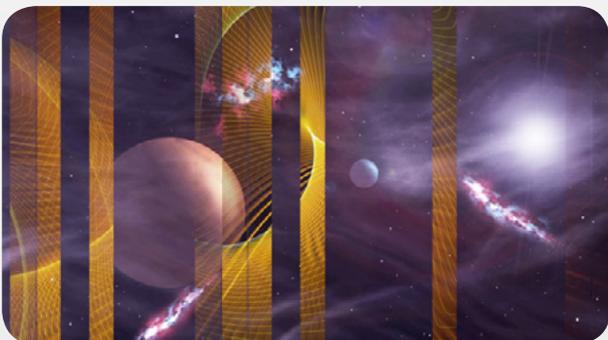
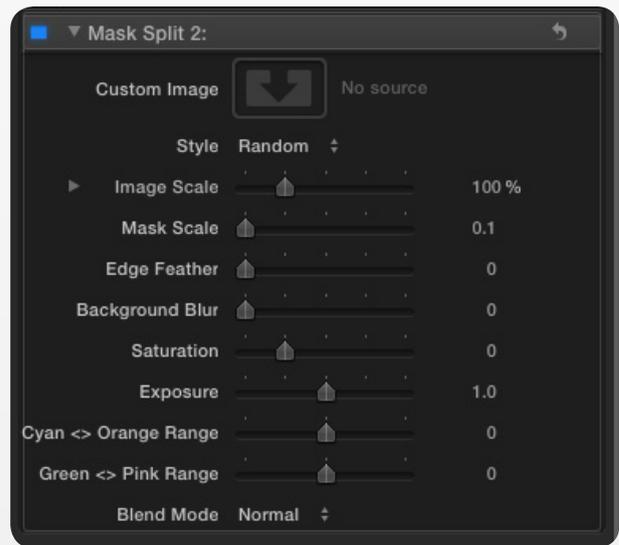
When using this effect the source clip is transformed into an inset image with a customizable background and a colorful gradient overlay. This is a versatile plugin that the user can modify in many ways achieving a variety of results with both inset image and background or simply with the background.



Mask Split 2

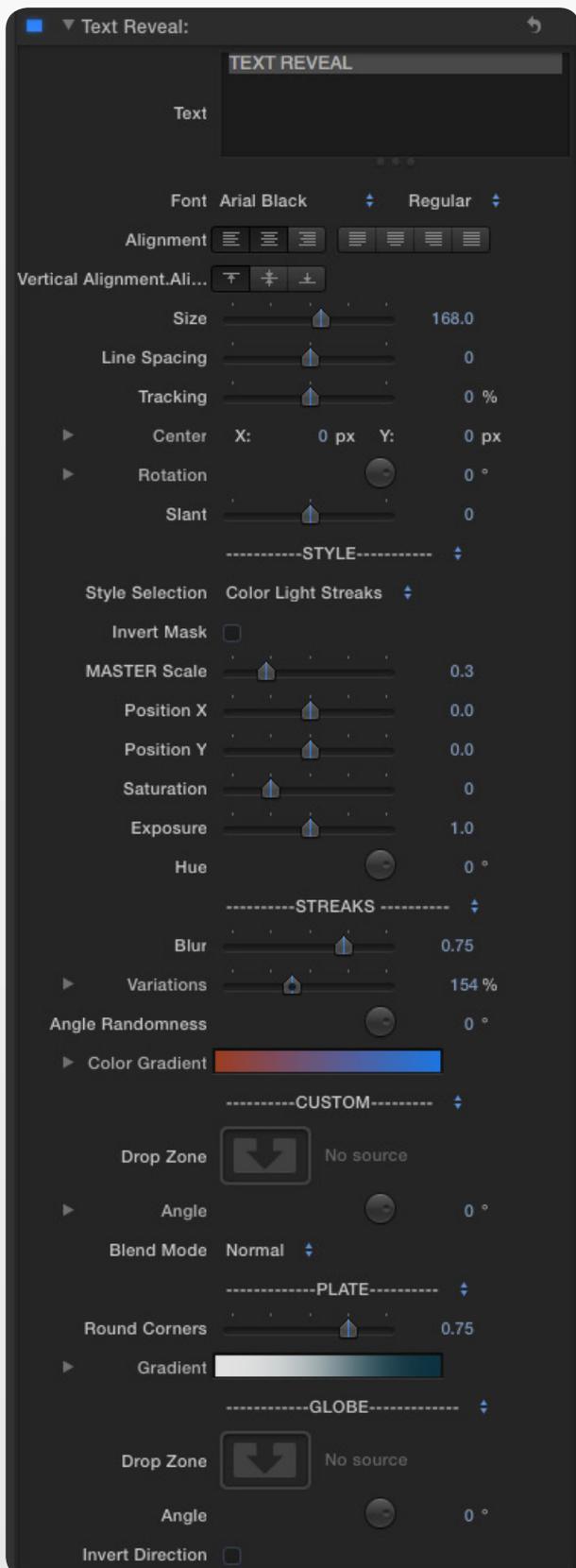
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Mask Split 2 offers a very effective way to spice up your video with a rich and yet simple masking effect that dynamically composites the image source with any other video desired. When the filter is applied you will not see any effect but as soon as you drop a video clip onto the drop zone provided the magic begins. Choose one of the provided Style options, and further customize each one with the various parameters provided.



Text Reveal

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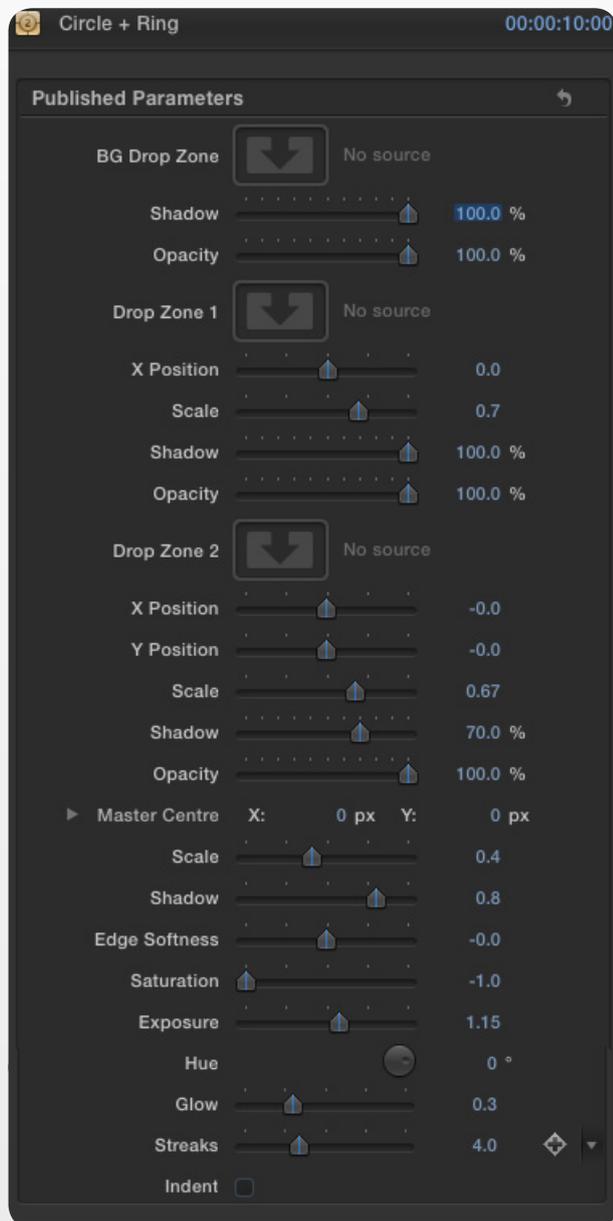
A simple and yet powerful way to make text appear and disappear while being revealed by a given effect. As each Style appears, the text is revealed with the background image source visible through the text. Choose from Color Light Streaks, Explode, Spinning Disks, Plate Simple, Bubble, Globe or Custom. With Custom selected, an image/video may be placed in the dedicated image well. Globe also allows for a custom image/footage.

With a great number of parameters, Text Reveal can really turn useful on many occasions; titling, lower thirds and quick info in between scenes are only some of the possible options.



Circle + Ring

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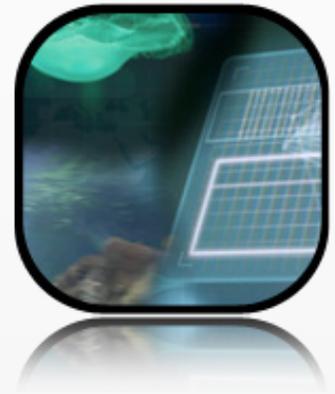


Circle + Ring enables the user to layer images/clips using the 3 provided image wells. Similar to the other generators in this pack, the assets can be customized using the various parameters. Create an intriguing effect by using the same image/video in the image wells with slight time differences. By keyframing the X and Y Positions, the user can animate the effect in and out of the clip.

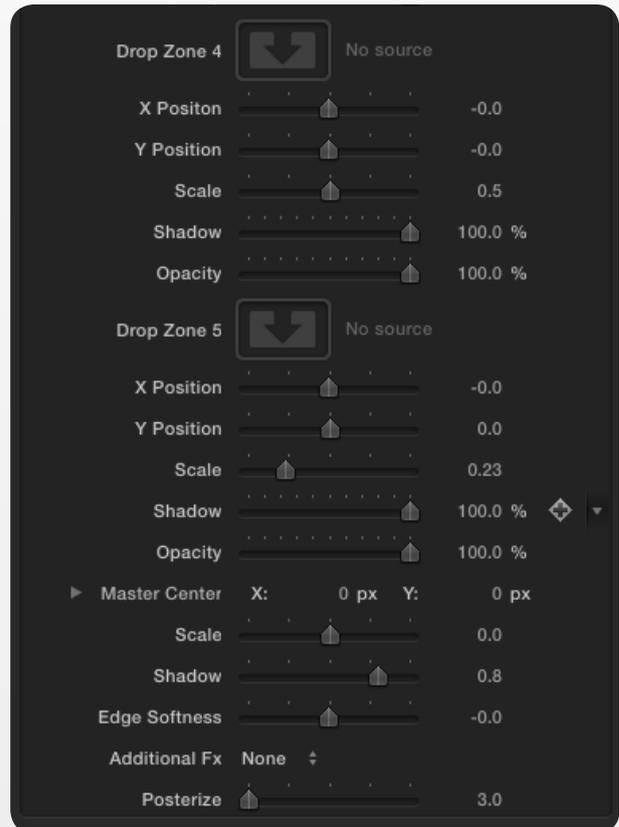
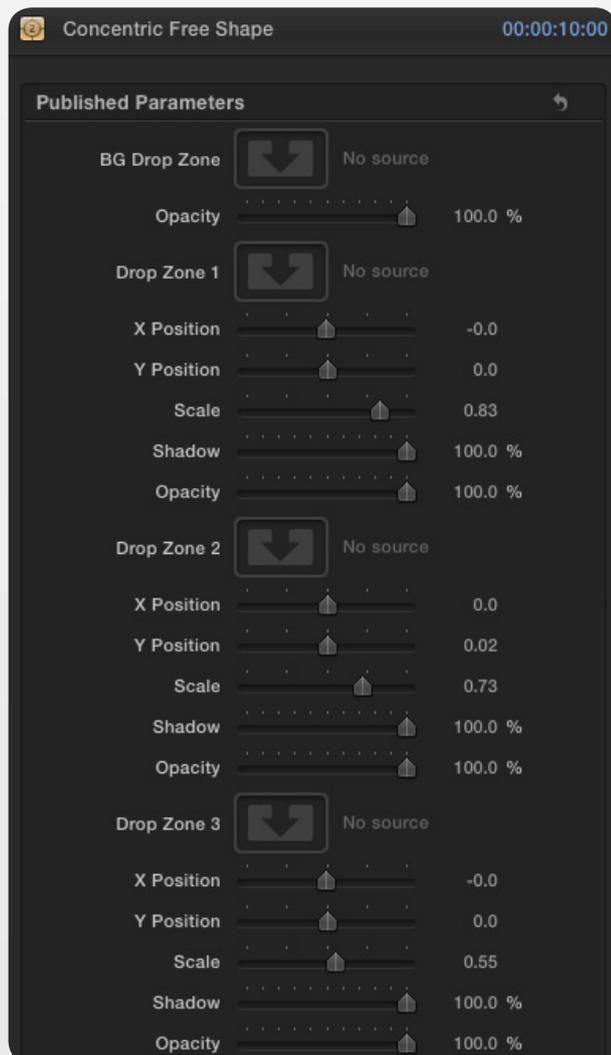


Concentric Free Shape

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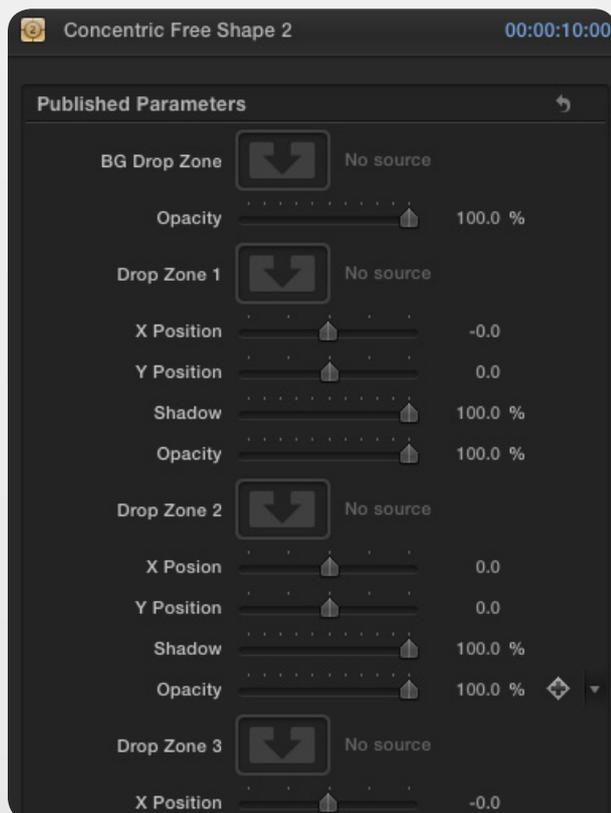
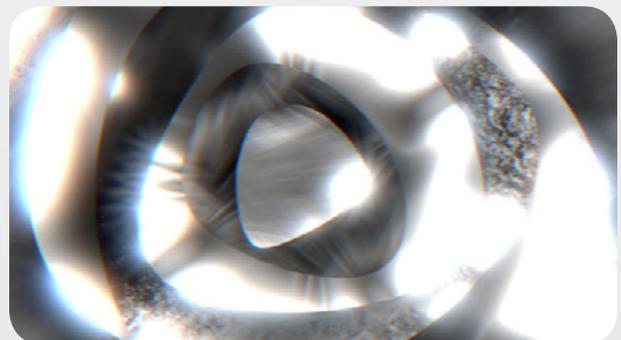
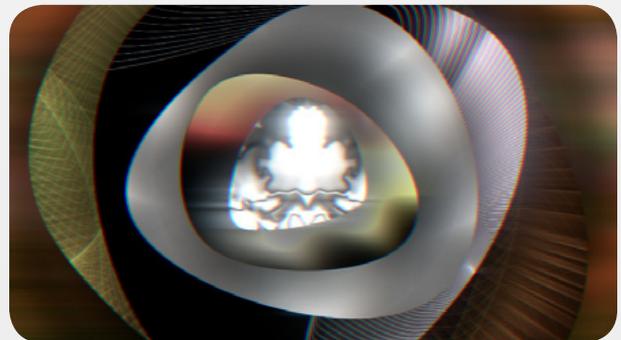
Similar to Circle + Ring, this generator enables the user to layer 5 images/clips on top of a background. Create intriguing effects by using the same image/clip in the image wells with slight time differences. By keyframing the X and Y Positions for each Drop Zone asset, the user can animate the effect in and out of the clip.



Concentric Free Shape 2

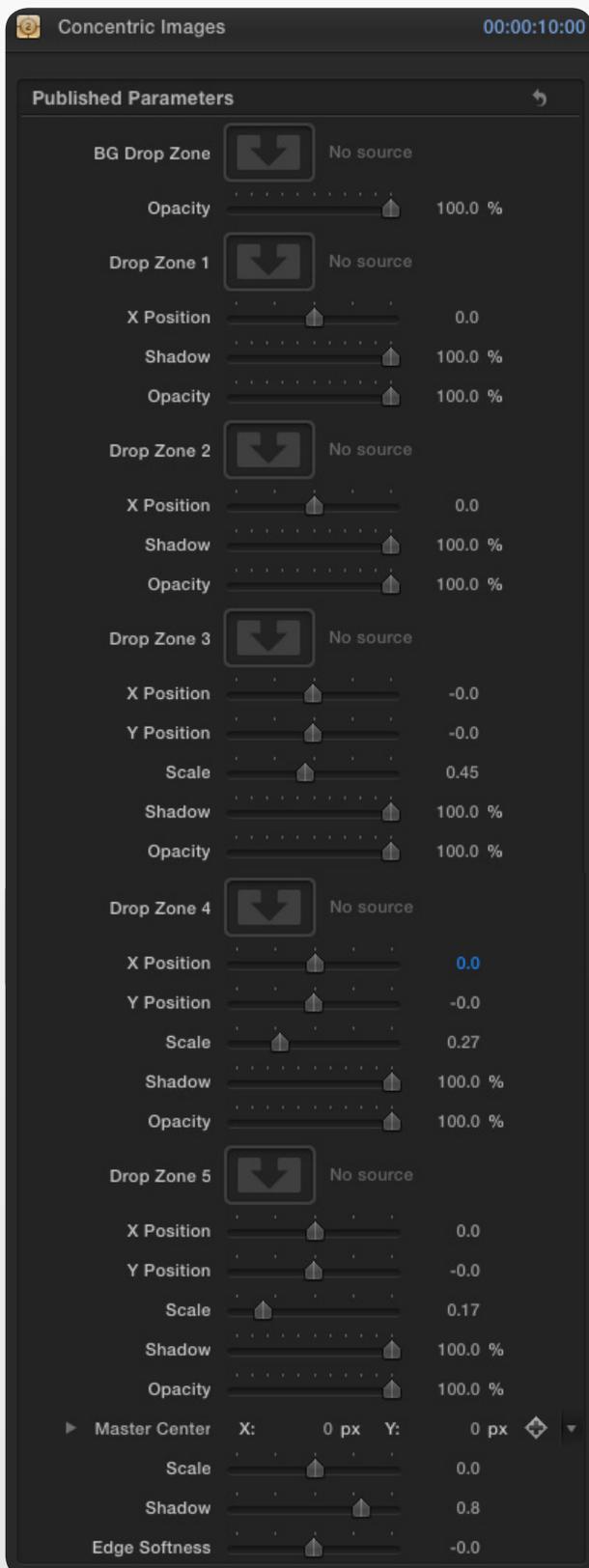
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Similar to Concentric Free Shape, this generator enables the user to layer 5 images/videos on top of a background. Only in this version has added movement in the shapes. Create intriguing effects by using the same image/video in the image wells with slight time differences. By keyframing the X and Y Positions for each Drop Zone asset, the user can animate the effect in and out of the clip. The generator may turn useful when editing music videos, promos, sport clips, travel videos etc. where stylization is required.

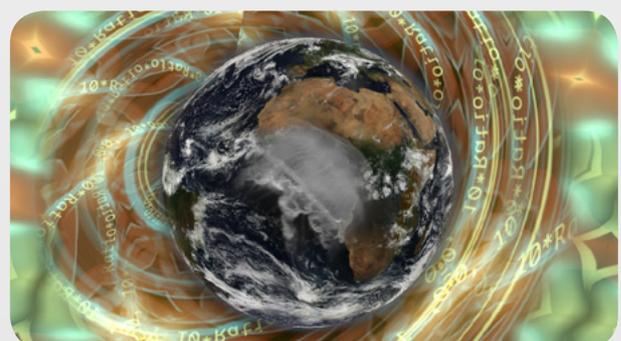
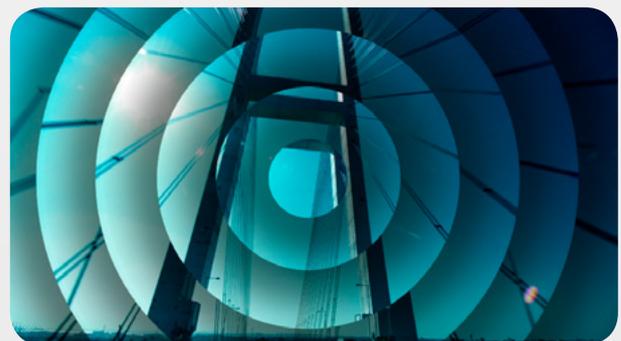


Concentric Images

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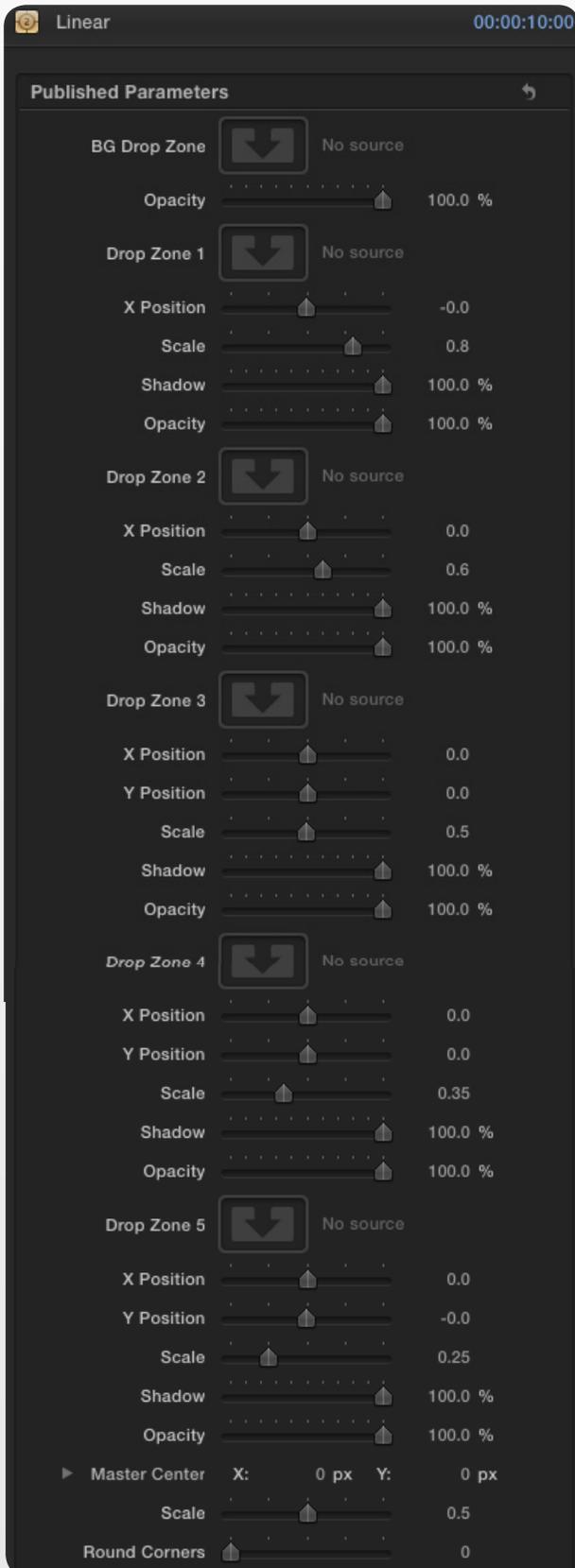


Another stylization tool enabling the user to layer 5 images of videos on top of a background. Although the generators share a similar concept, each one offers specific looks. Use Concentric Images to create image overlapping and fragmentation effects by, for example, using the same image/clip in the image wells with slight time differences. Keyframe the X and Y Positions for each Drop Zone asset to animate the 5 concentric circles.

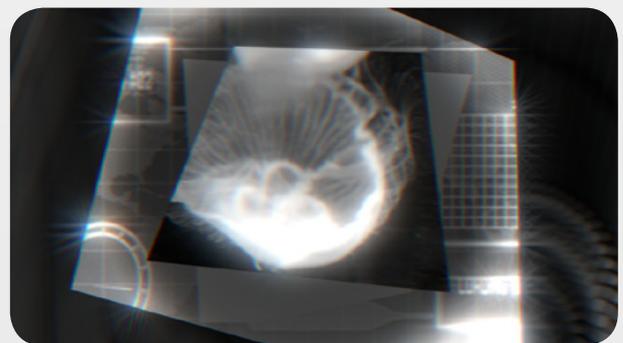


Linear

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Linear is another variation on the theme characterizing all 7 generators. This particular generator includes Drop Zone where the assets rotate. This generator also includes 6 Drop Zones, each with a number of parameter for customization. The user can create intriguing effects by using both a variety of footage or the same image/clip in the image wells with slight time differences. By keyframing the X and Y Positions for each Drop Zone asset, the user can animate the effect in and out of the clip.

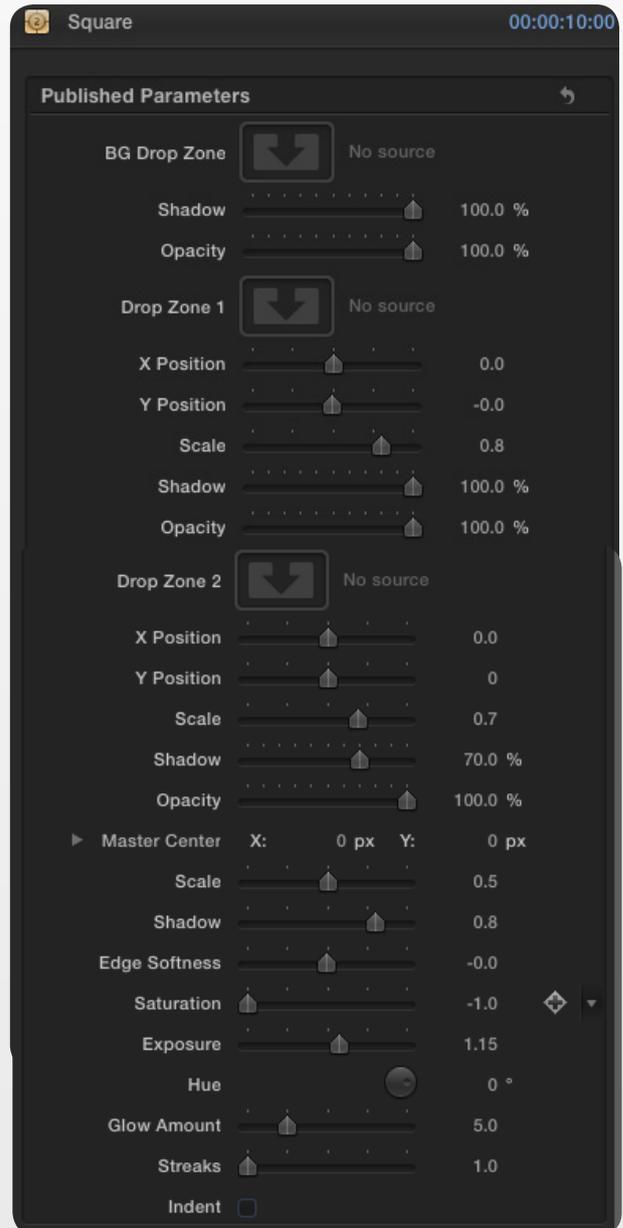


Square

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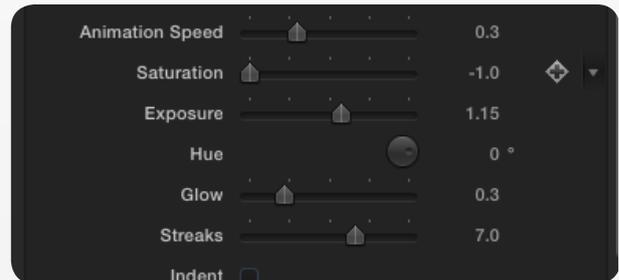
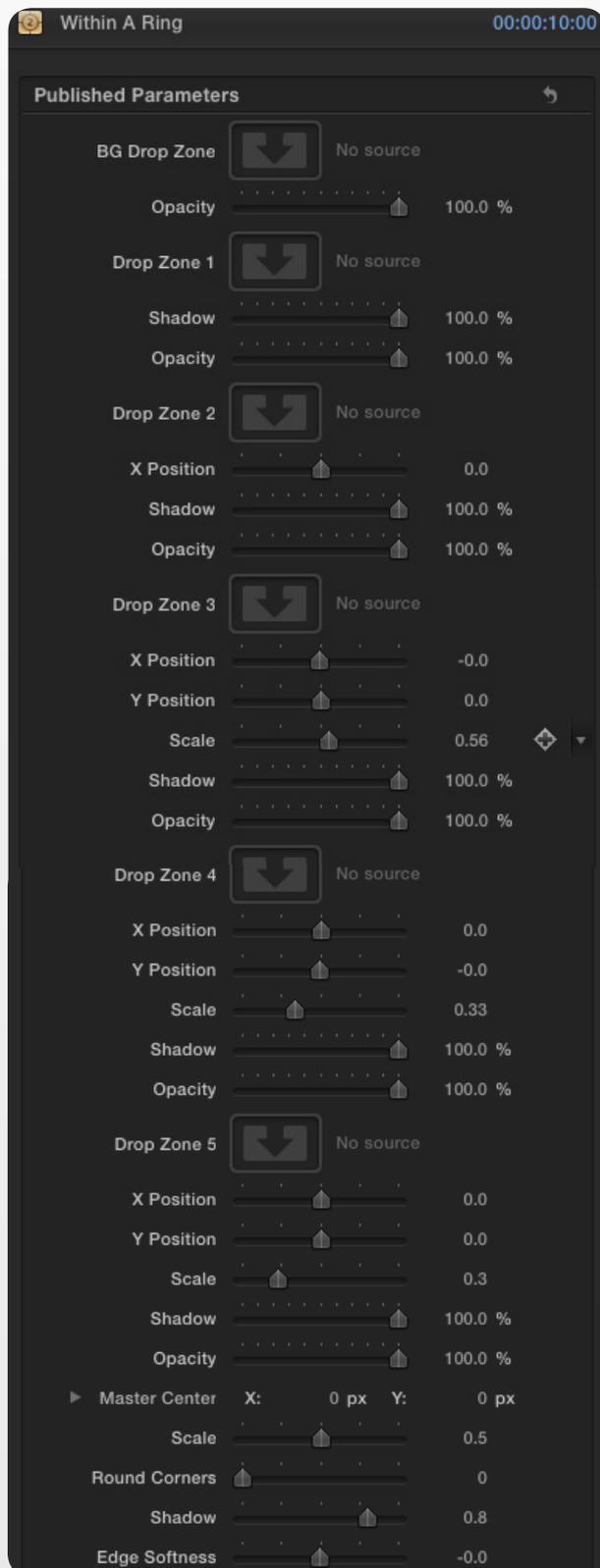


A simple yet versatile generator with Drops Zones to layer 3 images or footage. Similar to the other generators in this pack, Square includes several parameters for customization. Create intriguing effects by using both a variety of media or the same image/clip in the drop zones with slight time differences. By keyframing the X and Y Positions for each Drop Zone asset, the user can animate the effect in and out of the clip. The overall look of the effect can be substantially modified by customizing the Edge Softness and Shadow.

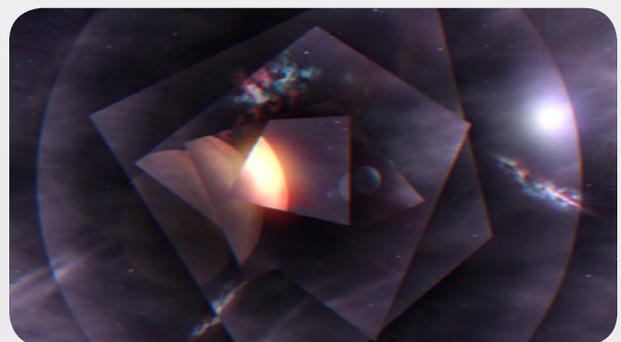


Within A Ring

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Within a Ring is essentially a mix between Circle + Ring and Linear. Featuring 6 Drop Zones to layer your images or clips and a host of parameters for customization. By keyframing the X and Y Positions for each Drop Zone asset, the user can animate the effect in and out of the clip.



System Specifications and Requirements



Mac OS X 10.10 or above, FxFactory 5.0.6 or above, Final Cut Pro X 10.2 a graphics card of at least 1GB is strongly recommended.