

Carla

Welcome to the Carla Icon Creation Guide.

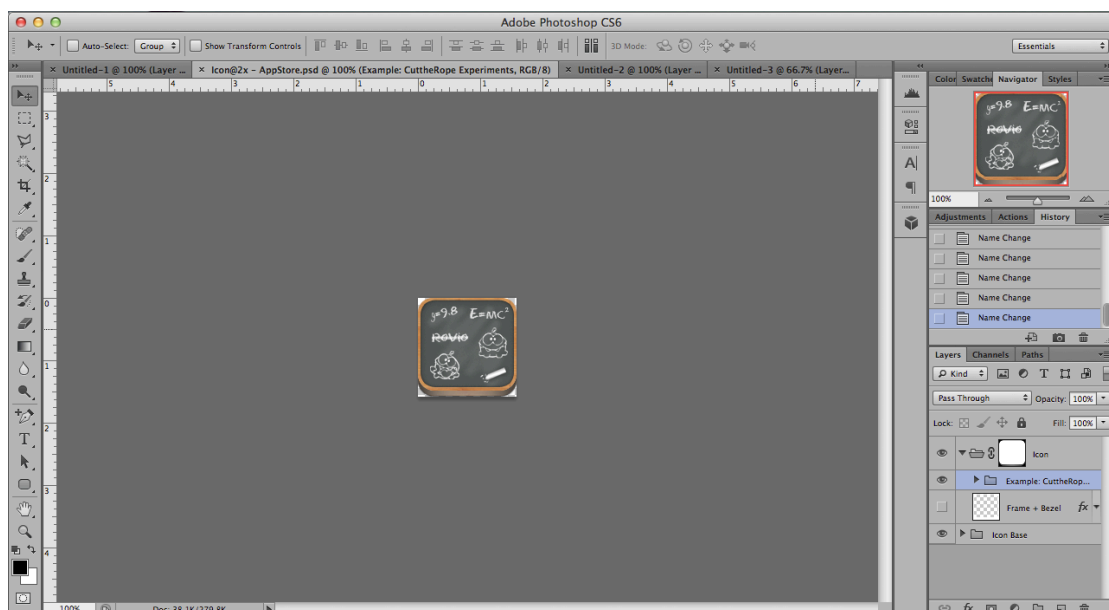
This document will try to explain a little bit how the icons are created so you can create you own and submit them to the Modmyi or Macciti thread.

First off, this is what you need:

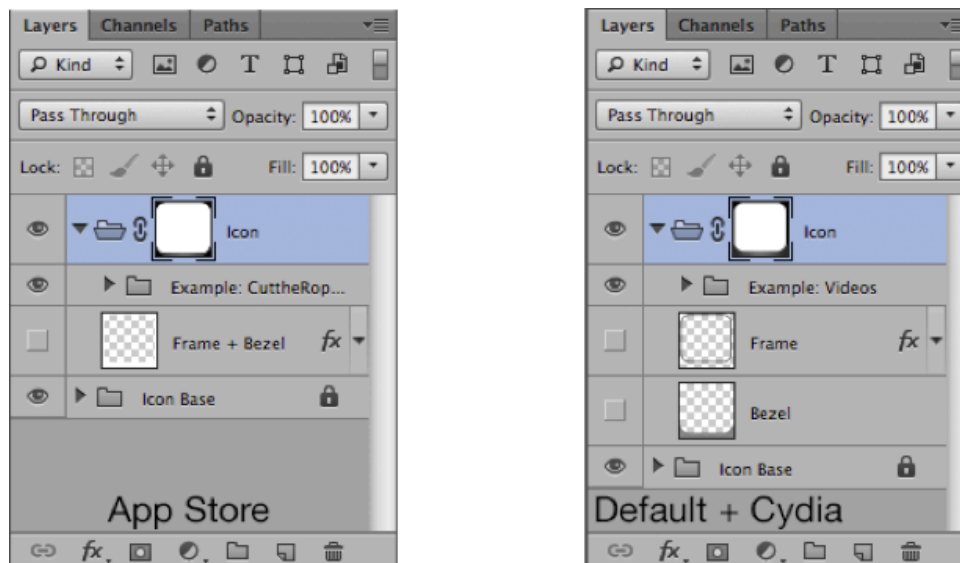
- **Photoshop (CS5 or CS6 are compatible. I assume previous versions too, though).**
- **Carla Icon PSD**
- **Imagination and creativity (not mandatory, but definitely helps!)**

Inside the folder you downloaded, there are two subfolders: App Store and Default + Cydia. iOS handles differently the apps that come with your device (and Cydia apps) – 118x120px– and the apps you download through the App Store – 114x114 px–, that’s why we have two different folders.

Here’s what you’ll fins when you open one of them (I’ve used the App Store one):



If we get a closer look to the layers:



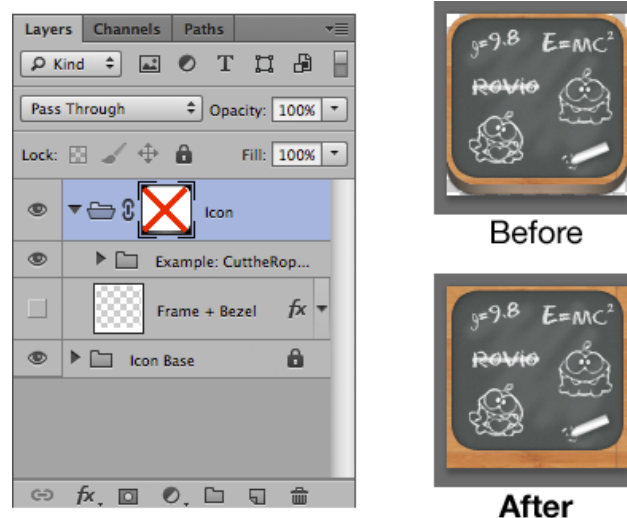
The Icon Base folder is just the background. You DO NOT NEED to modify this. We'll focus on the Icon folder.

I picked a random app icon for you to have an example, but what you have to do is pretty simple: **Put your images inside the Icon folder and create your icon.**

As I stated before, iOS handles the App Store Apps differently, that why we are going to do a little trick make it work.

As you see, the Icon Folder has a Layer Mask on it. What we are going to do is disable that mask (just on the App Store ones) so we get a square image. The auto-app mask will do the rest.

To do that, just hold the Shift key (both on Mac and PC) and click on the Layer Mask. Here what it will look like and what you will get:



I hope this tutorial helps you understand a little bit better how to create your own icons and I'd love to see your work.

I want to thank William Szilveszter (creator of Jaku) for creating such an amazing theme, which has been an inspiration for me.

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