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Elements Scripts



The images in the following instructions were developed for our Moods Scripts. However, the Scripts you purchased are loaded and used in the exact same way.

Follow these instructions for loading and running a script in Elements.

It is as easy to use as actions!

Quick Start

1- Make Sure that Elements is in **Expert Mode**.

2- Have an image **open** in Elements.

3- You select the script file from the Elements Menu **FILE >> OPEN...**

If the script name is grayed out - in the dialog window that opens, click the options button in the lower left. A drop down selection button will be displayed – here you select 'All Documents'.

This will now show all files, including Script files.

4- **Select** the example_elements.jsx script file from where you have it.

5- The effect will be produced on your image - and **Done!**

Here is more detailed information for loading and using the Pencil Pixels script effects



This script is for Elements

- It does not use or manipulate your original image or layers. It duplicates your file first.
- Layers can additionally be manipulated if desired.
- Works exceptionally well with portraits, figure studies and composite artwork.
- Mac OS X or Windows compatible.

Your purchased download zip file contains the effect script, a tutorial for using the script, changing the layers to get alternate results and this tutorial for using Pencil Pixels scripts for Photoshop or for Adobe Elements.



Pencil Pixels scripts are "lightweight", There is usually just 1 file. There are no additional brushes, backgrounds or styles to load in order to get great results with just one click.

The file comes compressed as a zip file. Double click the file to show the folder.

Using or loading the Script file

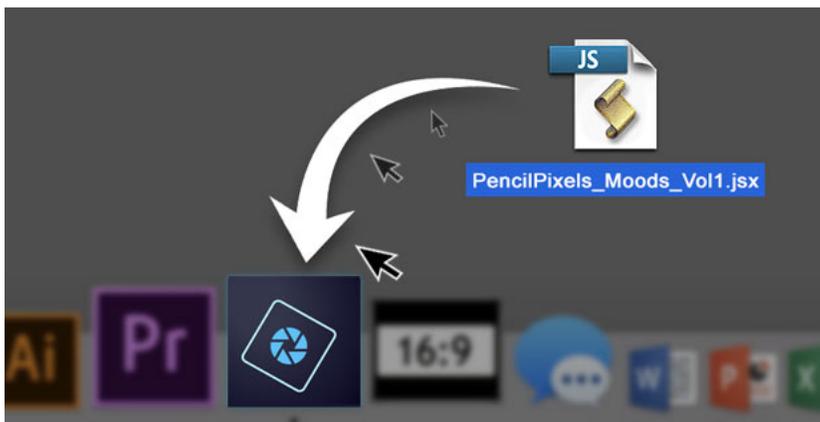
There are four ways to use a script and apply the effect to your image. Each works and can depend on your workflow or how familiar you are with Elements.

In all cases, **first have an image open in Elements** and make sure that you are in **Expert mode**.



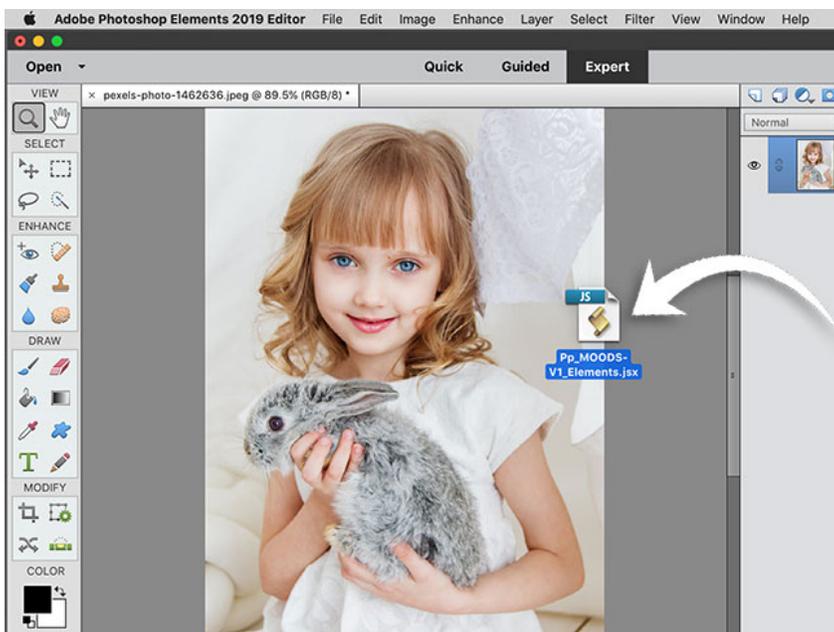
Then use any of the following (4) methods.

1) The easiest ways to load and use a script, (on newer versions of Elements testing version 14+), is to simply drag the Pencil Pixels script file onto the Elements Application Icon.



Or you can...

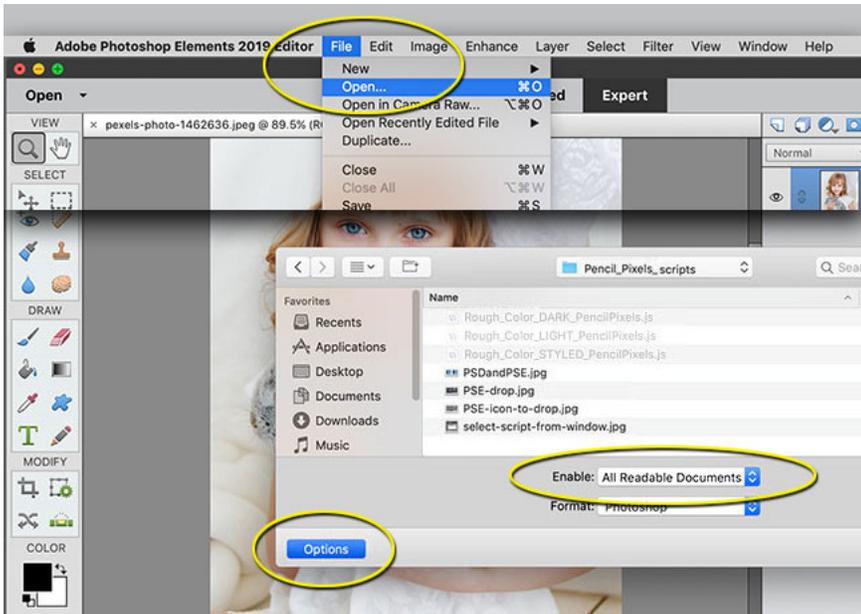
2) On the newer versions of Elements, you can drag the script file onto your open image in Elements. This is the simplest and easiest way to use a Pencil Pixels Script effect.



Or you can...

3) Select a script file through the Menu in the following way - From the Elements Menu, select **FILE >> OPEN**
In order to see all the files available on your computer as well as Script files,
Select the 'Options' button in the lower left of the panel.

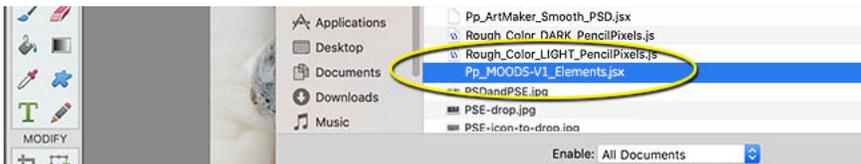
The '**Options**' button will show a dropdown selection to 'Enable:' types of documents.



Select '**All Documents**'



Then **select the Pp script** from the folder you've stored it in.



Or you can ...

4) The Pencil Pixels scripts, specifically made for Elements are configured so that they can be used with the following method...

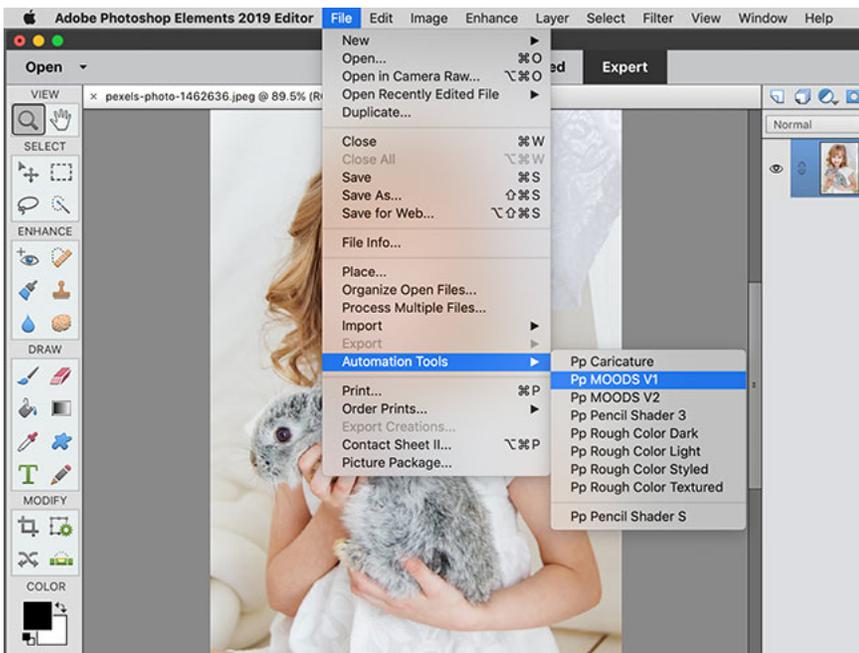
You can place the Pencil Pixels scripts **into the SCRIPTS folder** of the Elements application.

Once placed there, this method allows you to select the script directly from the **Automation Tools Menu**.

File >> Automation Tools >>

Go to the **FILE** menu and Drag down to the **Automation Tools** menu item.

The name of the script can be selected from the pop-out selection.



In order to function this way, you first need to put your script files into a specific location. But you only need to do this once and it will always be available directly from the Automation Tools menu.

On the Mac OS X operating system, it goes in the folder with the path:
[/Applications/Adobe Photoshop Elements \[VERSION\]/Support Files/Presets/Scripts/](#)

On the Windows operating system it goes in the folder with the path:
[C:/Program Files/Adobe Photoshop Elements \[VERSION\]/Support Files/Presets/Scripts/](#)

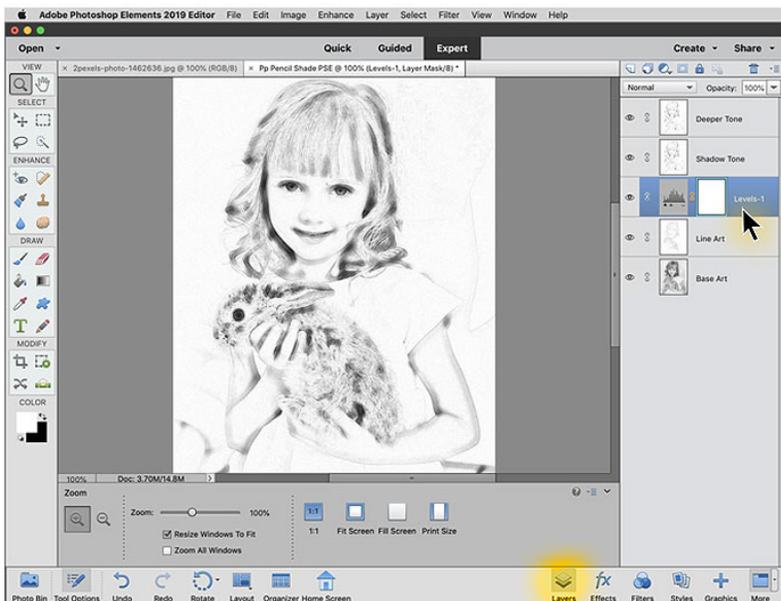
Restart Elements.

Once you've placed the Pp scripts in the scripts folder, restart in order for the scripts to appear in the Automation Tools menu. With this method, you can select the Pencil Pixels scripts directly from the Menu. The name of Pencil Pixels Scripts will begin with "Pp" to distinguish it from the other default scripts.

Side Note:

In working with the Pencil Pixels Scripts, you can experiment with the layers that make up the effect by turning some on or off, by changing the opacities and the blend modes of these layers.

To show the Layers palette in Elements, select the Layers icon at the bottom right of the Application screen.



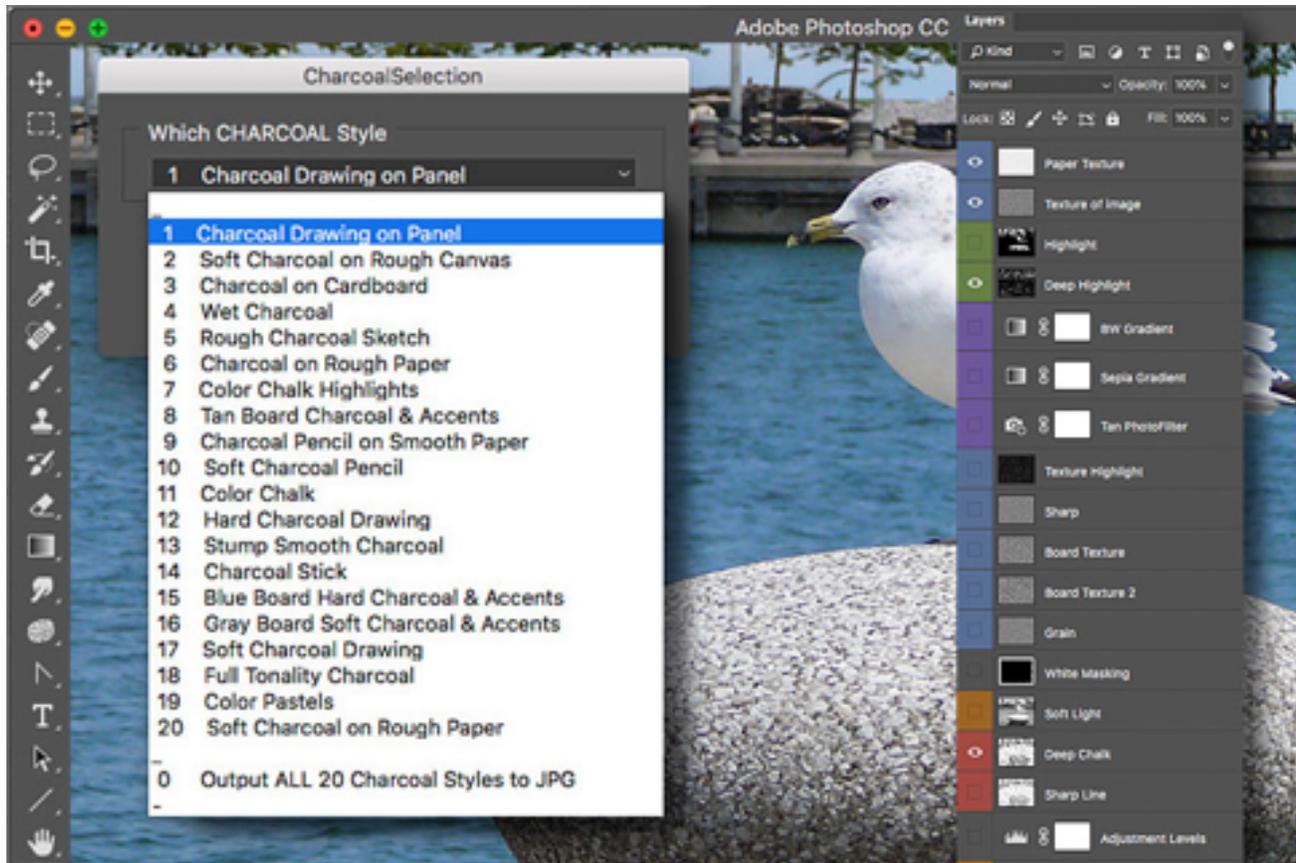
How to use most of the PencilPixels scripts.

If the script creates just one effect, it will automatically start the effect.

If the script has multiple effects to choose from, a dropdown menu box will let you select a style to use.

You can choose any style, and the effect will start to run.

Simple as that!



Script compatibility notes

- Compatible with Mac OS X and Windows
- Versions of this product may be available for Photoshop, Photoshop Elements or both
- Please order the product, if available for your software.
- In Photoshop, scripts are tested to work with versions CS5.5 to CC 2020
- In Photoshop Elements, scripts are tested to work with versions 14 to version 2019
- Works exceptionally well with portraits, figure studies, and composite artwork
- Best for online sized use when the image is less that 1600x1600 pixels. Developed for optimum use with online Ads, Social Media and Web Pages. Please contact us for Hi Res output information.

Like all our other scripts, you can create variations of the effects by turning on or off some of the layers that effect the images density, color, effect layers and more.

Each of the image effects usually include layers to adjust contrast, density, texture, color, as well as several layers that make up the effect. The effects are made to work on average lightness and contrast images.

By first adjusting the images' tone to have more or less brightness and contrast, you can alter the effect in different ways.

You can adjust the opacity of the layers to increase or decrease the effect of the resulting image. Layers are usually developed to allow you to alter the Color, Texture, Density, Line Tone, shadow textures, etc. Adjusting any of the layers, for opacity, visibility or blend mode, changes the appearance of the effect and allow you to customize the result.

Support

If you encounter a problem, and the above is causing an error please do the following;

Please contact Pencil Pixels and let us know;

-which of our software products you are using

-what operating system you are running

-and what version of Photoshop you are using.

-If an error occurs, do a full screenshot of the alert message and also include the Photoshop History and Layers panel at the time of the error.

This will help us research the cause and solve the issue quickly. We are always here to help and will get you up and running.

Feedback is always welcome let us know if you encounter any problems in running the scripts.

If you have any questions about using our software, their compatibility, or terms of use, please contact us through our website

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