



# layer storage

GROUPS ENHANCING PRODUCTIVITY

USER GUIDE

for v. 1.0



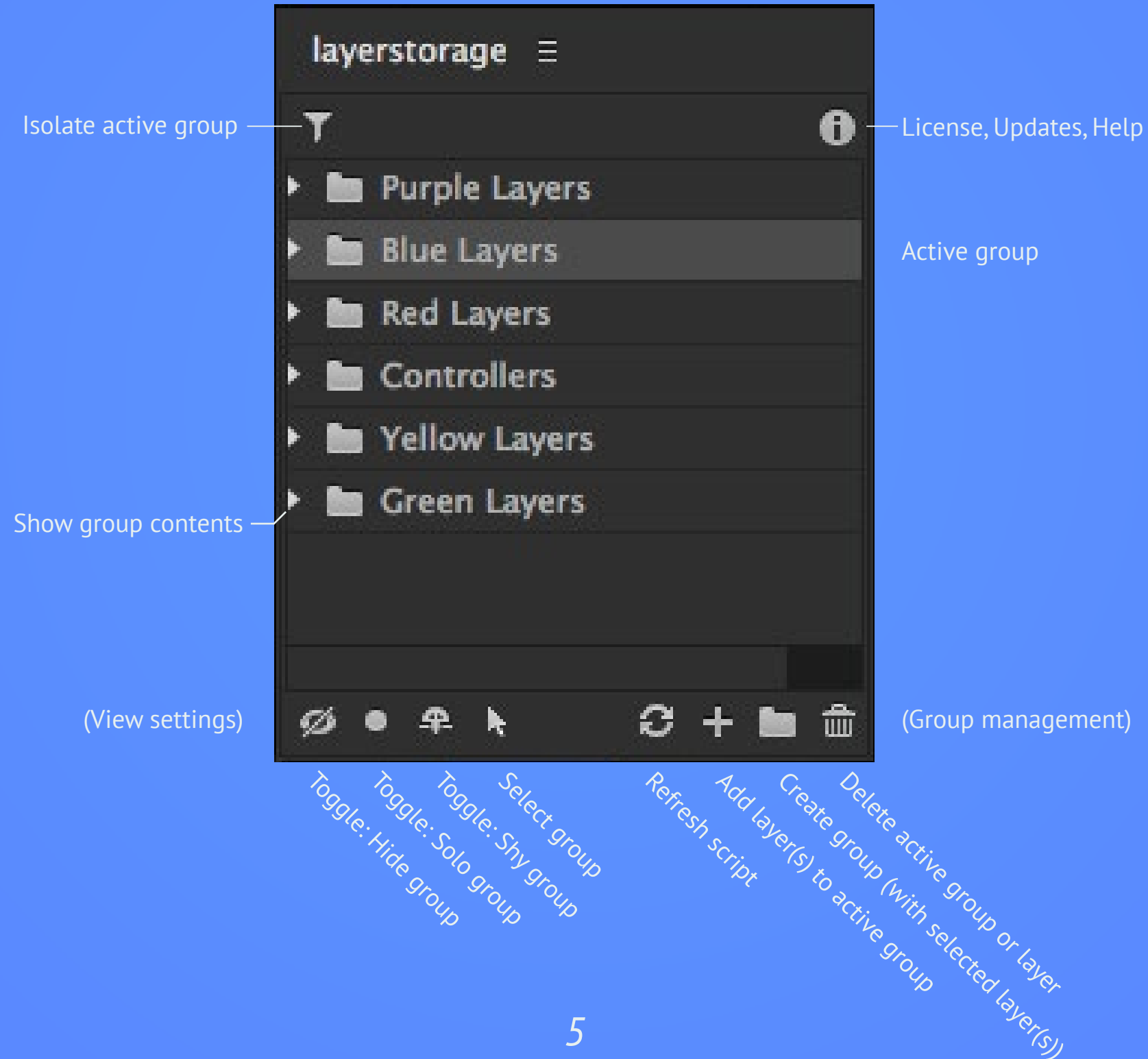
# INSTALLATION

## How-To



1. Download the script
2. Copy **LAYER-STORAGE.JSXBIN** into the following directory:
  - Mac OS:*    **APPLICATIONS/AFTER EFFECTS <VER>/SCRIPTS/SCRIPTUI PANELS**
  - Windows:*   **PROGRAM FILES\ADOBE\AFTER EFFECTS <VER>\SUPPORT FILES\SCRIPTS\SCRIPTUI PANELS**
3. Restart After Effects if currently running
4. Inside After Effects, access *Layer Storage* via 'WINDOW > LAYER STORAGE'



# THE USER INTERFACE



# WORKFLOW TIPS

- The same layer can be in different groups.
- One group can contain layers from more than one composition.
- Layers can be moved into different groups after adding them to a group.
  
- Duplicating a layer that is inside a group *will not* automatically add the duplicate to this group.
- Adding a layer to a group *will* automatically apply the group's view setting.
  
- Selecting () a group will automatically open the composition that contains the most layers of this group.
- Clicking on a group while holding **ALT (OPTION)** will force-apply the group's view settings to the layers.
- Steps taken inside the script cannot be undone. If you accidentally added a layer to a group, use the -button instead.

# LAYER COMMENTS

The script saves the groups right inside your project. Part of the information is saved inside the **COMMENT**-Section of the layers upon adding them to a group. You can still use layer comments, as long as you do not delete the *Layer Storage* ID-Tag. It does not matter where inside the comment the ID is.

