

User Guide

Easy Arrows Script for After Effects

Installation

- 1.) Locate your After Effects scripts folder
 - Mac – Applications > Adobe After Effects [version] > Scripts > ScriptUI Panels
 - PC – Program Files > Adobe > Adobe After Effects [version] > Support Files > Scripts > ScriptUI Panels
- 2.) Move the Script (.jsxbin) file into the 'ScriptUI Panels' folder

How to Use

Create Easy Arrow

This script will attach and auto-orient layers to a Shape Layer path.

- 1.) Select a Shape Layer path for the arrow to follow.
 - a.) Optional: Select a custom layer to use as the "head" of the stroke. Otherwise, a default arrow will be created for you.
 - b.) Optional: Select another layer custom layer to use as the "tail" of the stroke.
- 2.) Click "Create Easy Arrow".

Create End Arrow

Check this box to add a default arrow to the end of your stroke.

Pre comp Layers

Check this box to move all Easy Arrows layers into a separate composition.

Update Arrow

Use this button to change the mask path after the script has been run.

- 1.) Apply changes to your mask path.
- 2.) Click "Update Arrow".

Effect Controls

These will now be available on the Arrow Head layer:

- Easy Arrow Completion: Where the arrow is located on the path (0% - 100%)
- Easy Arrow Length: The length of the stroke behind the arrow head
- Easy Arrow Enable End: Locks the end point of the stroke
- Easy Arrow End: Moves the end point when 'Easy Arrow Enable End' is checked
- Easy Arrow Line Offset: Offset the stroke away from the arrow head
- Easy Arrow Reverse Direction: Reverse the arrow's direction along the path
- Easy Arrow Size: Change the stroke width and arrow size proportionally.
- Easy Arrow Color: Change the stroke and arrow color.

Note: You must keep at least one keyframe on 'Easy Arrow Completion' for the arrow to auto-orient along the path.