

# Installation & Setup

Thanks for purchasing **Stretch-it 2**, that's a quick guide on how to install and use the script

Unzip the archive you have downloaded

Close After Effects if it is open

Copy the script file 'Stretch-it\_[ver].jsxbin' into the following directory:

Windows users:

C:\Program Files\Adobe\Adobe After Effects  
<version>\Support Files\Scripts\ Scripts UI  
Panels

Mac users:

Applications/Adobe After Effects <version>/  
Scripts/ScriptUI Panels

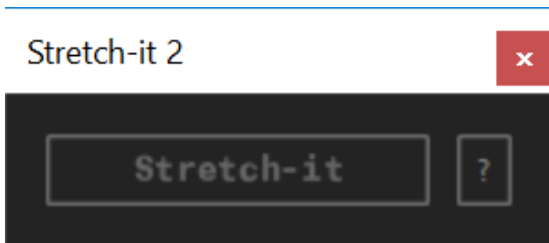
Start After Effects

Under the Window menu, find and run the script  
'Stretch-it\_[ver]'

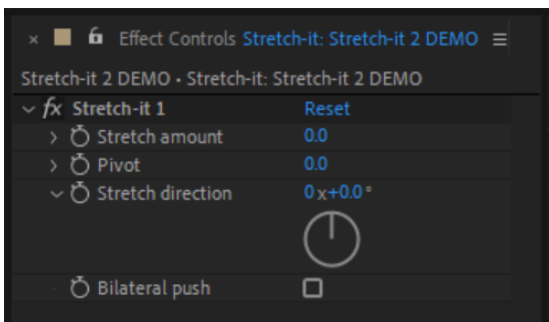
You can dock the panel or let it float over  
your desktop app

## How it works

**Stretch-it 2** is very easy to use, with the simplest UI and an intuitive Control Panel, this script will help you keep a straightforward workflow



In order to generate a Stretch in your project, one layer in the active Composition has to be selected. It can be a Text Layer, a Solid Layer, a Shape Layer or any Footage Layer (picture or video). Pressing the **Stretch-it** button will precomp your layer and generate the effect. Just a quick note on the Help button (?), which will open a link to a video tutorial



A set of controls will be added to your pre-cosed layer, now re-named as follow **Stretch-it: [old layer name]**. From the Effect Controls window, you can change the default values of Stretch Amount, Pivot, Stretch direction and you can set the stretch to be Bilateral. All the parameters are keyframable and you can add as many stretches as you like, although we don't recommend to have more than 4 stretches as they might slow down your project