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Piracy More Serious Than Bank Robbery?

Posted by [kdawson](#) on Sunday June 17, @08:09AM

from the [copyright-trumps-all](#) dept.

An anonymous reader writes sends us to Ars Technica for a dissertation on how detached and manipulative the discussion about copyright is becoming.



"NBC/Universal general counsel Rick Cotton suggests that society wastes entirely too much money policing crimes like burglary, fraud, and bank-robbing, when it should be doing something about piracy instead. 'Our law enforcement resources are seriously misaligned,' Cotton said. 'If you add up all the various kinds of property crimes in this country, everything from theft, to fraud, to burglary, bank-robbing, all of it, it costs the country \$16 billion a year. But intellectual property crime runs to hundreds of billions [of dollars] a year.'"

Ars points out how completely specious that "hundreds of billions" is.

Pirates disgust me (Score:5, Funny)

by Anonymous Coward on Sunday June 17, @08:14AM (#19539973)

You wouldn't steal a car would you?

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↳ **Re:Pirates disgust me** (Score:5, Funny)

by Anonymous Coward on Sunday June 17, @08:22AM (#19540023)

I would if I could download one!

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↳ **Re:Pirates disgust me** (Score:5, Funny)

by pingoart (1014343) on Sunday June 17, @11:49AM (#19541313)

Maybe in Second life...



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The **GNU Image Manipulation Program**, or GIMP, is a raster graphics editor application with some support for vector graphics.

The project was started in 1995 by Spencer Kimball and Peter Mattis and is now maintained by a group of volunteers; licensed under the GNU General Public License, GIMP is free software.

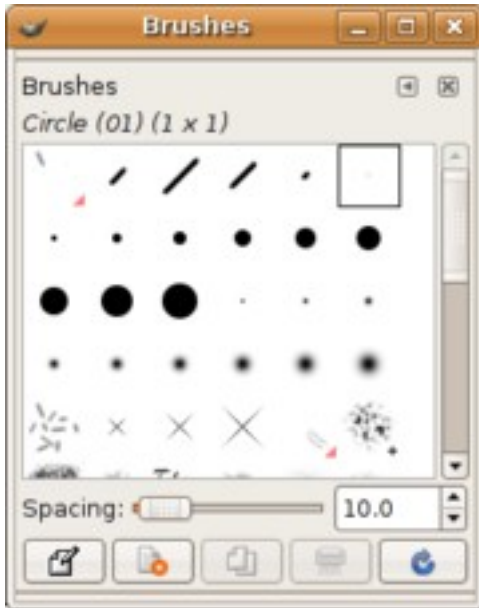
Its creators, Spencer Kimball and Peter Mattis, initially started GIMP as a semester-long project for a class at the University of California, Berkeley.

It is often used as a free software replacement for Adobe Photoshop, the most widely used bitmap editor in the printing and graphics industries.



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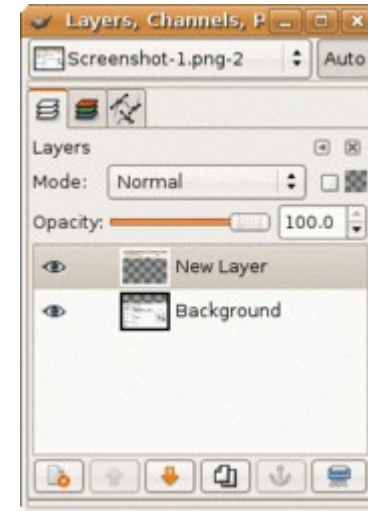
Brushes and painting tools



Gradients and patterns



Selection and masking tools
Layers, channels, and transparency



And many more ...


- Color selection
- Paths
- Effects, scripts and filters



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Getting and Installing the GIMP

This site, www.gimp.org, only distributes the source code to the GIMP (the building blocks). You can however download executable versions from the following site:

- **Automated installer** (provided by Jernej Simoncic) - choose this if you just want to install GIMP. Note that the user manual is an extra package; make sure that you get it as well. And have a look at the [FAQ](#) if you run into any problems.

If you are a developer interested in creating plug-ins or working on the GIMP source code, you may want to download some additional packages (these are not needed for normal users):

- **Individual .zip packages for GTK+, GLib and other libraries** - for developers and advanced users (provided by Tor Lillqvist).



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Stable version download

This is the recommended version of Gimp.
The Gimp binary available from this page was compiled for Pentium MMX or better CPUs.

 The GIMP for Windows (version 2.2.15) 7765 kB
If this is the first time you're installing The GIMP, you will also need GTK+ 2 Runtime Environment below. Download MD5: 64e8d0c8071bbf6a13c78b57acd9d603
 GTK+ 2 Runtime Environment (version 2.10.11, for Windows 2000 and newer) 5689 kB
This package is required to run The GIMP on Windows 2000 and newer. If you have older version of Windows, install GTK+ 2.6 instead. Download MD5: d7489d1a443c429f832f44dee29d34af
 GTK+ 2 Runtime Environment (version 2.6.10-20050823, for Windows 98/ME and NT4) 3557 kB
This package is required if you want to run The GIMP on Windows 98, ME or NT4. It is recommended to use GTK+ 2.10 on Windows 2000 and newer. Download MD5: d757d14c18e8aba315023a30d64acad4



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<http://plasticbugs.com>

GIMPshop is a modification of the free/open source graphics program GNU Image Manipulation Program (GIMP), intended to replicate the feel of Adobe Photoshop.

"My original purpose for GIMPshop was to make the Gimp accessible to the many Adobe Photoshop users out there. I hope I've done that. And maybe along the way, **I can convert a Photoshop pirate into a Gimp user.**"

-- Scott Moschella



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Benefits

- Free software; can be installed, shared, or redistributed on any number of computer systems with zero licensing costs.
- Open source; is freely developed and supported by a community of users and is available on many different operating systems
- Plug-in development is not limited by developers (by comparison, access to Adobe Photoshop's SDK requires authorization)
- Using the GIMP Portable version of GIMP, the GIMP can be carried on a thumb drive and used on any computer.



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So what's missing?

- Support for the Pantone color matching system, or spot color.
- Support for Adobe Photoshop 8BF plugins and other add-ons.
- Support for anything but 8-bit per-channel images e.g. 16-bit, 32-bit, floating point.
- Support for color models other than RGB(A) and greyscale, such as CIE XYZ (partial CMYK support is available with the Separate plug-in).
- Extensive gamma support.
- Extensive support for color management
- Native support for Adjustment layers, i.e. layers which act like filters. (A plugin is available which adds some support for these.)
- Undo history "snapshots" that persist between sessions.
- The history brush tool
- Folders in layer window
- A free transform tool to rotate, scale and move in one tool