

Create an explosion effect piece by piece

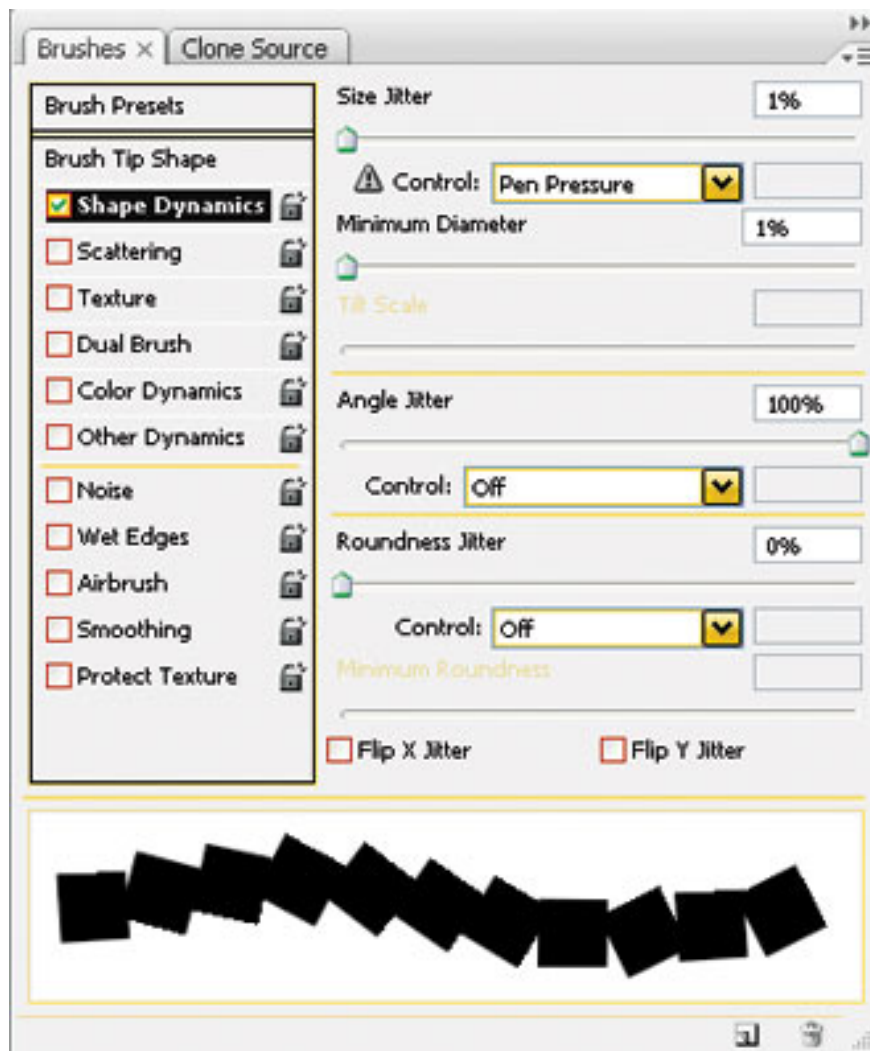
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Open the image you want to do (Figure 1), double-click on the image to convert to Layer 0, press **Ctrl + Shift + N** to create a new Layer, Layer 1, and drag Layer 1 under Layer 0.



Go to **Edit> Fill** menu and choose White for **Layer 1** . Select **Layer 0**, click the **Add layer mask** icon in the bottom row of the Layer palette, go to **Edit> Fill** menu and select black, the mask icon on the Layer changes to black and the image is covered with a white layer. Select the **Brush** tool, go to **Windows> Brushes** menu, click on the small triangle button to the right of the **Brush** panel, select **Square Brushes> OK** click on the line **Brush Tip Shape** on the left, select the square style, select the parameters: Diameter: 30px; Angle: 00; Roundness: 100%; Spacing: 100%. Click **Shape Dynamics** with the parameters shown in Figure 2.



Continue to click **Scattering**: Select **Both Axes** ; Scatter: 500%; Control: Off; Count: 1; Count Jitter: 0%. Select the white facade color, click the square mouse to fill the bowl surface so that a part of it appears there (except for the face, don't paint again), double-click on Layer 0, the Layer panel Style appears, select **Drop Shadow** with the following parameters: Blend Mode: Multiply; Opacity: 75%; Angle: 30; Select Use Global Light, other parameters to default> **OK** (Figure 3).



On this layer, right-click and choose **Duplicate Layer** , select the mask icon, go to **Filter> Blur> Radial Blur** menu with the parameters: Amount: 20%; Blur Method: Zoom; Quality: Good> **OK** . Finally select the **Flatten Image** menu to merge it into one (Figure 4).



With only palm trees and a few layers of effects, you have created a unique effect.

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