
Subject: Set or paint with transparent color?

Posted by [snap2000](#) on Sat, 27 Jan 2007 05:18:22 GMT

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Posted by [mirek](#) on Sat, 27 Jan 2007 07:04:45 GMT

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Mlrek

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Posted by [snap2000](#) on Sun, 28 Jan 2007 05:34:13 GMT

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luzr wrote on Fri, 26 January 2007 23:04: snap2000 wrote on Sat, 27 January 2007 00:18: Is there any way that I can paint with or set a transparent color on my own Ctrl? For example, if I were to draw a playing card as a ctrl, and I wanted to round the borders slightly, it would be easier to "erase" the corners than to go out of my way to not try to paint the corners in the first place.

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That's fair enough.

So is there no way to be able to paint a mask on a Ctrl, for example?

EDIT: Maybe I should try another approach to my question... So, in my playing card, by painting a transparent color, I mean is there any way that I can set the color to "don't paint me", so that instead of being erased, it becomes transparent. Another way would be coloring it pink, for example, and setting pink as the transparent color that isn't drawn (this also applies to an upcoming concern, making a color transparent in an image, such as pink)?

Does that seem any more possible?

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Posted by [mirek](#) on Sun, 28 Jan 2007 07:35:26 GMT
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Posted by [snap2000](#) on Sun, 28 Jan 2007 20:16:52 GMT
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I wanted to be able to know if I make certain things dynamic, and later I'll be wanting to include external images from the hard drive, and make a certain color show as transparent (e.g. Chess pieces).

But, I suppose for the sake of learning, I'll just try it this way. Thanks.

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Posted by [mirek](#) on Sun, 28 Jan 2007 21:27:24 GMT

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Posted by [mirek](#) on Mon, 29 Jan 2007 06:27:25 GMT

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