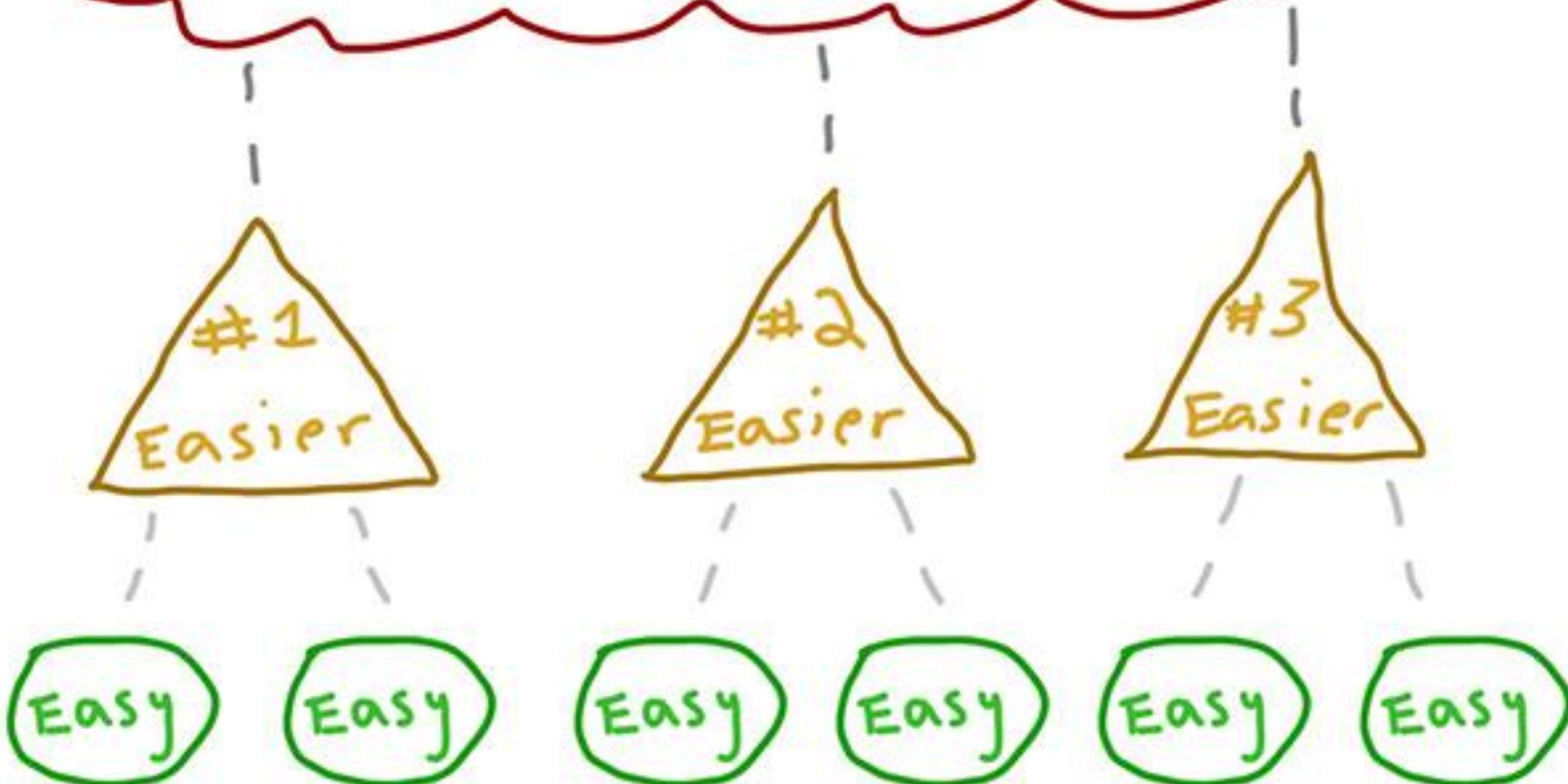


Xamarin.Forms UI's

Build **Amazing Things** from **Simple Things**



Hard Problem





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twitter.com/kphillpotts

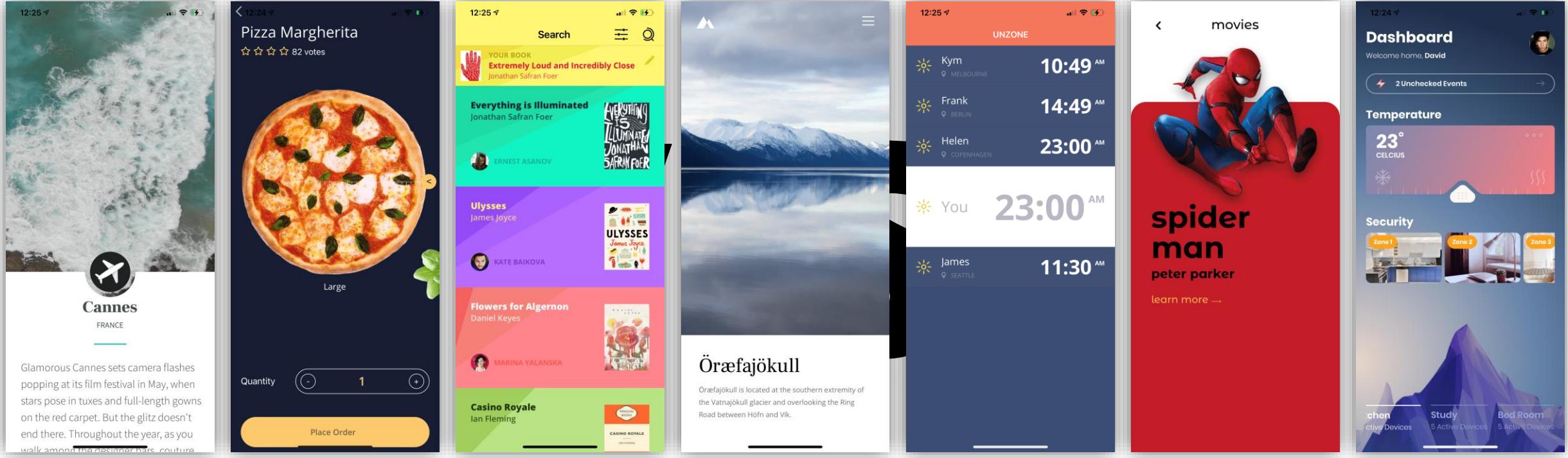


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youtube.com/kphillpotts

**Can you create
amazing looking apps
with Xamarin.Forms?**



<https://kymphilipotts.com/uichallenges>

I'm not a designer.

Finding Inspiration





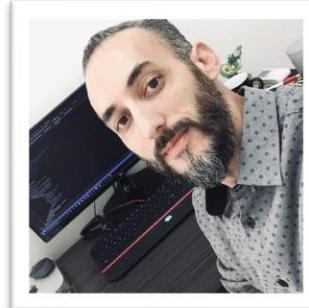
Javier Suárez



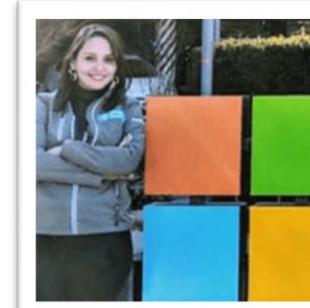
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Oludayo Alli
(DevCrux)



Altvir Cardoso



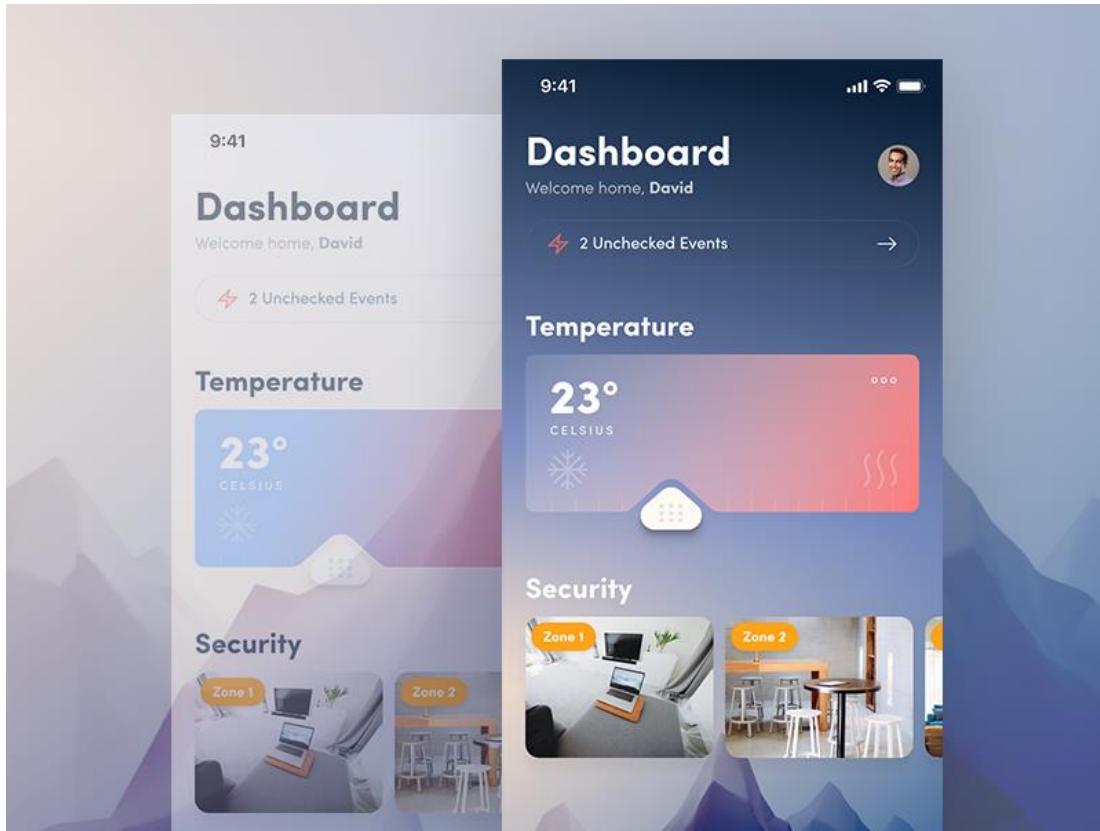
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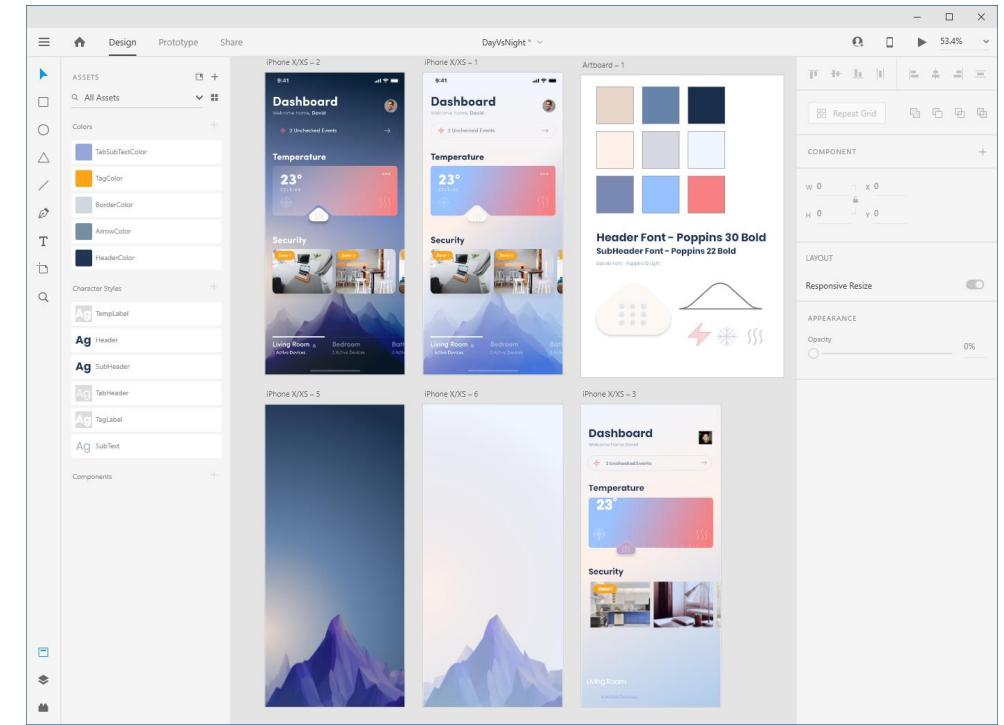
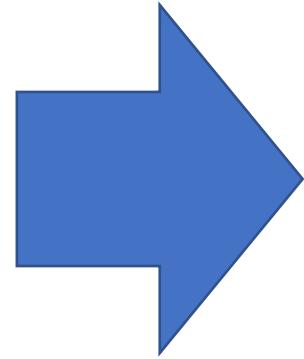
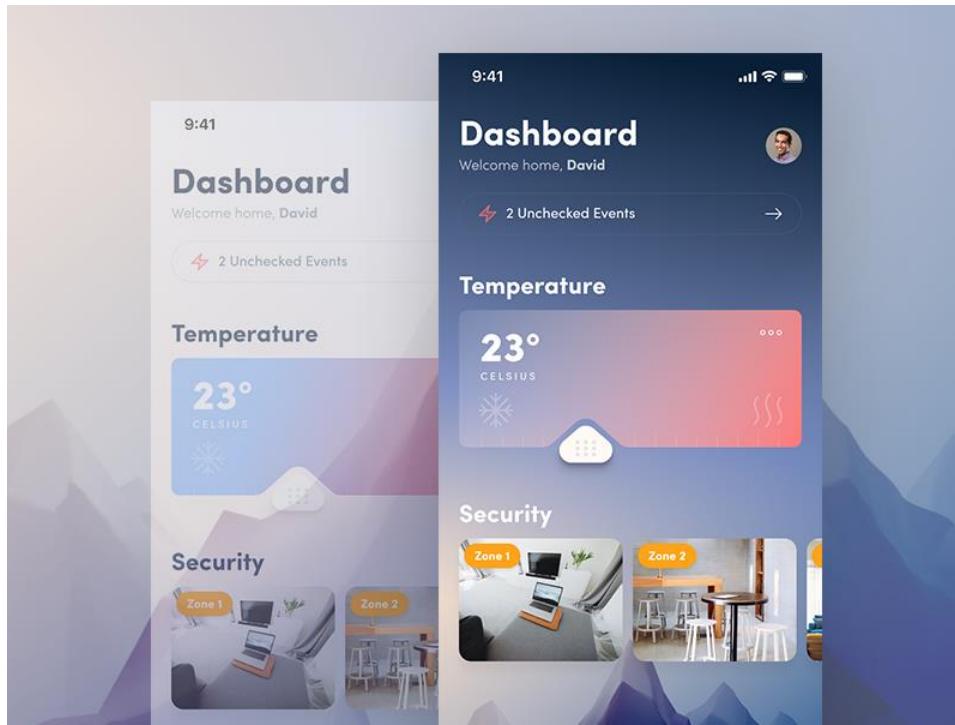


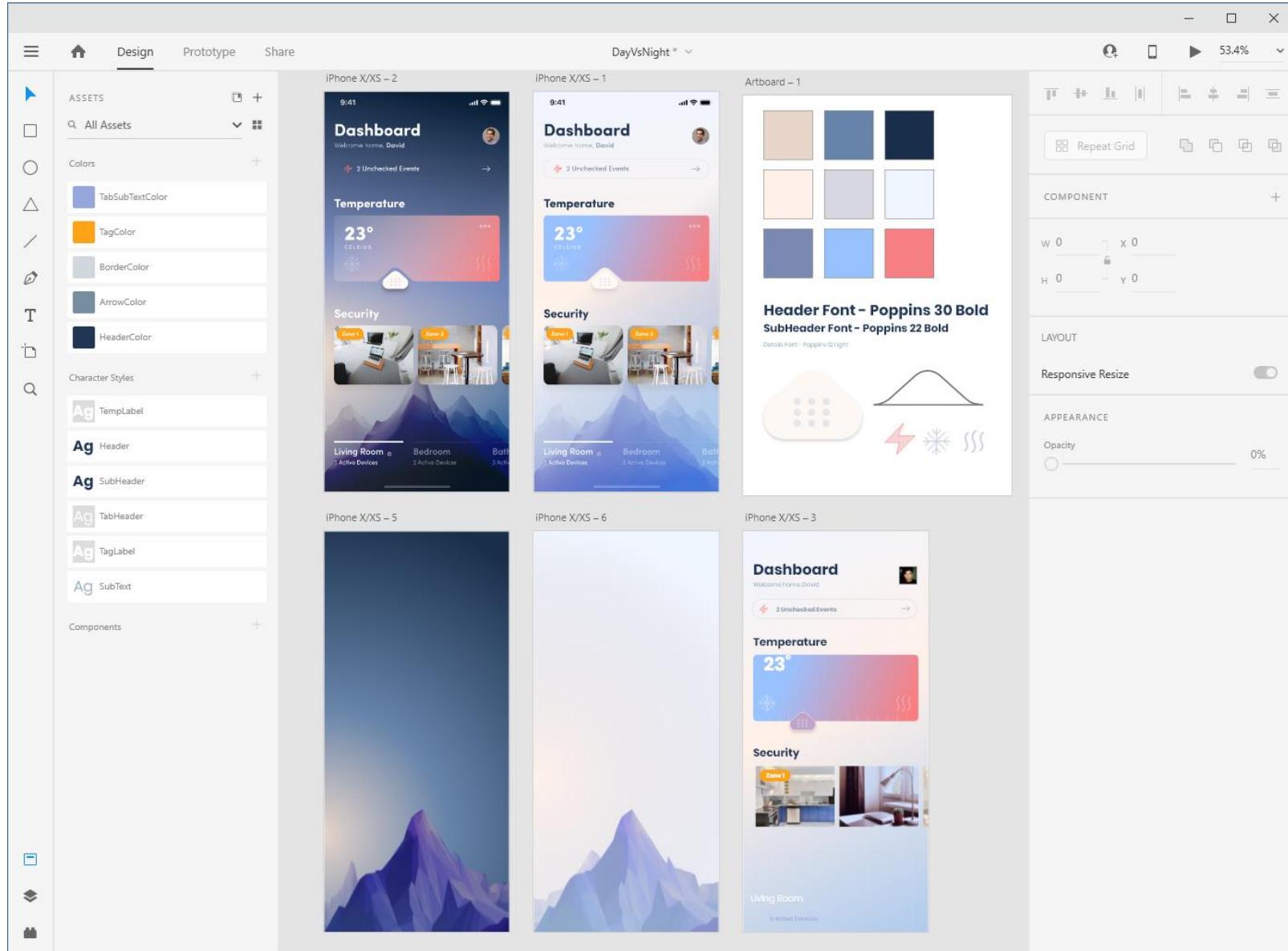
Luis Pujols

<https://github.com/jsuarezruiz/xamarin-forms-goodlooking-UI>

Breaking down design







- Fonts Family & Sizes
- Colors
- Margins & Spacing
- Graphical assets

Use Resources and Styles

```
<!-- Colors -->
<Color x:Key="BorderColor">#d2d7dd</Color>
<Color x:Key="HeaderColor">#213654</Color>
<Color x:Key="SubTextColor">#95a8b6</Color>

<!-- Sizes -->
<x:Double x:Key="HeaderFontSize">32</x:Double>

<!-- Styles -->
<Style x:Key="Header" TargetType="Label">
    <Setter Property="TextColor" Value="{StaticResource HeaderColor}" />
    <Setter Property="FontFamily" Value="HeaderFont" />
    <Setter Property="FontSize" Value="{StaticResource HeaderFontSize}" />
</Style>

<!-- Implicit Styles -->
<Style TargetType="Grid">
    <Setter Property="RowSpacing" Value="0" />
    <Setter Property="ColumnSpacing" Value="0" />
</Style>

<Style TargetType="Frame">
    <Setter Property="Padding" Value="0" />
    <Setter Property="HasShadow" Value="False" />
</Style>
```

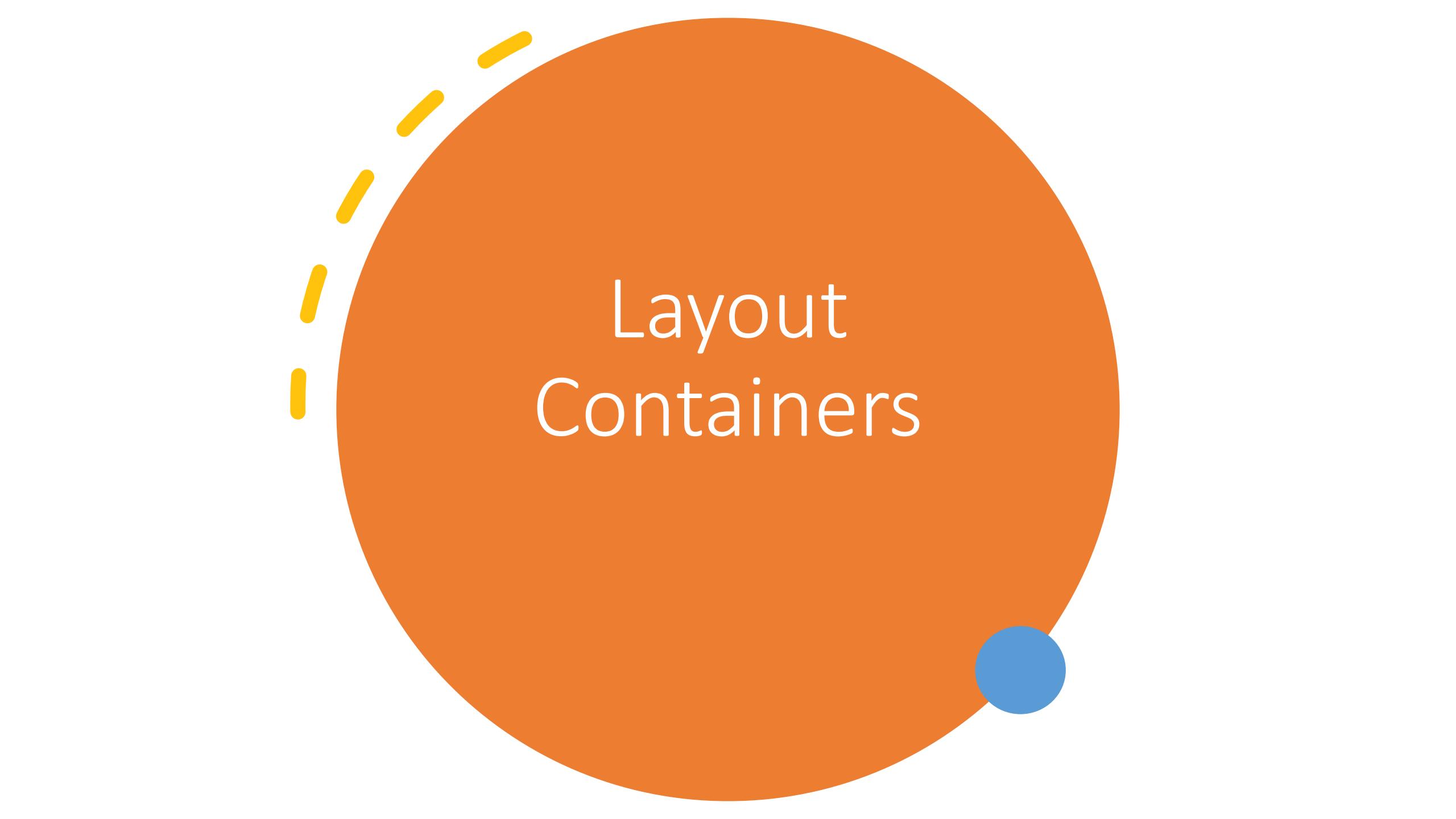
Consistency

Faster feedback
whilst building

Easier tweaking



**Learn the
Simple Things**

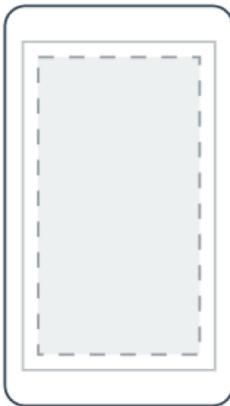


Layout
Containers

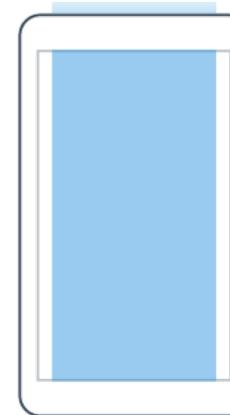
Layout Containers



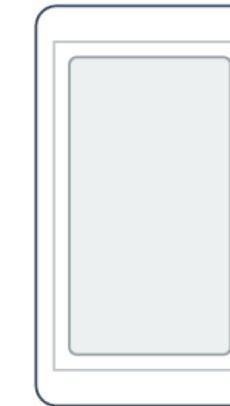
ContentPresenter



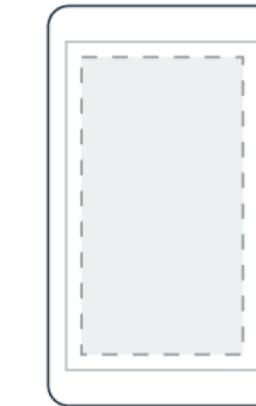
ContentView



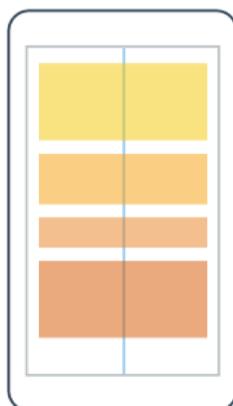
ScrollView



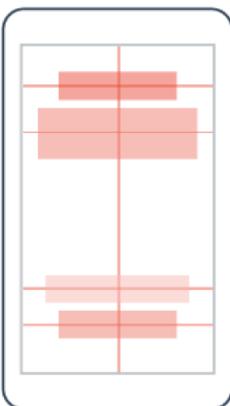
Frame



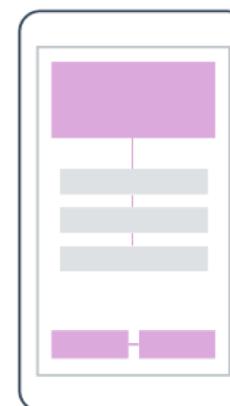
TemplatedView



StackLayout



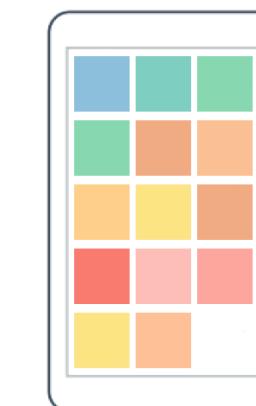
AbsoluteLayout



RelativeLayout

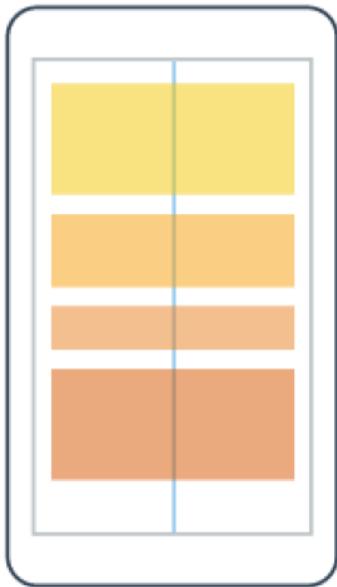


Grid

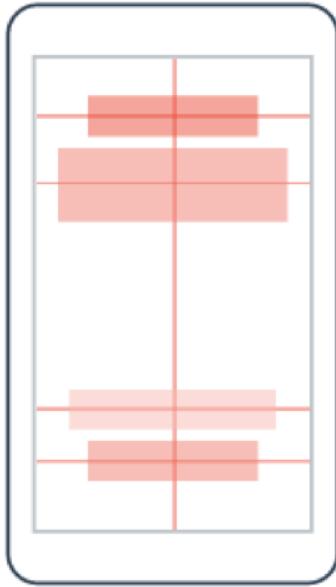


FlexLayout

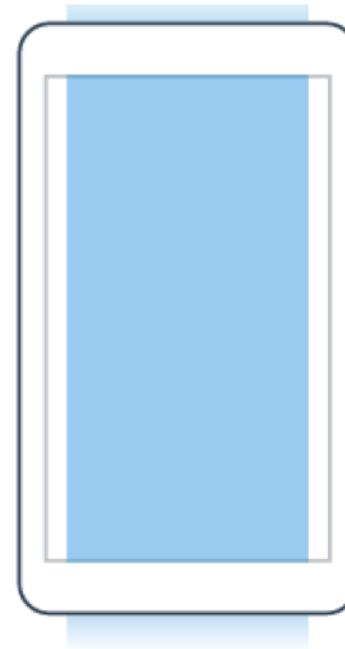
(Almost) all layouts can be created with a combination of these



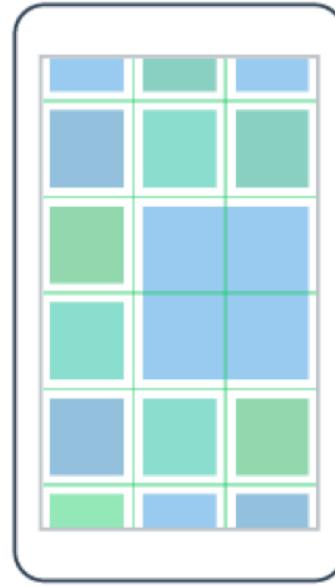
StackLayout



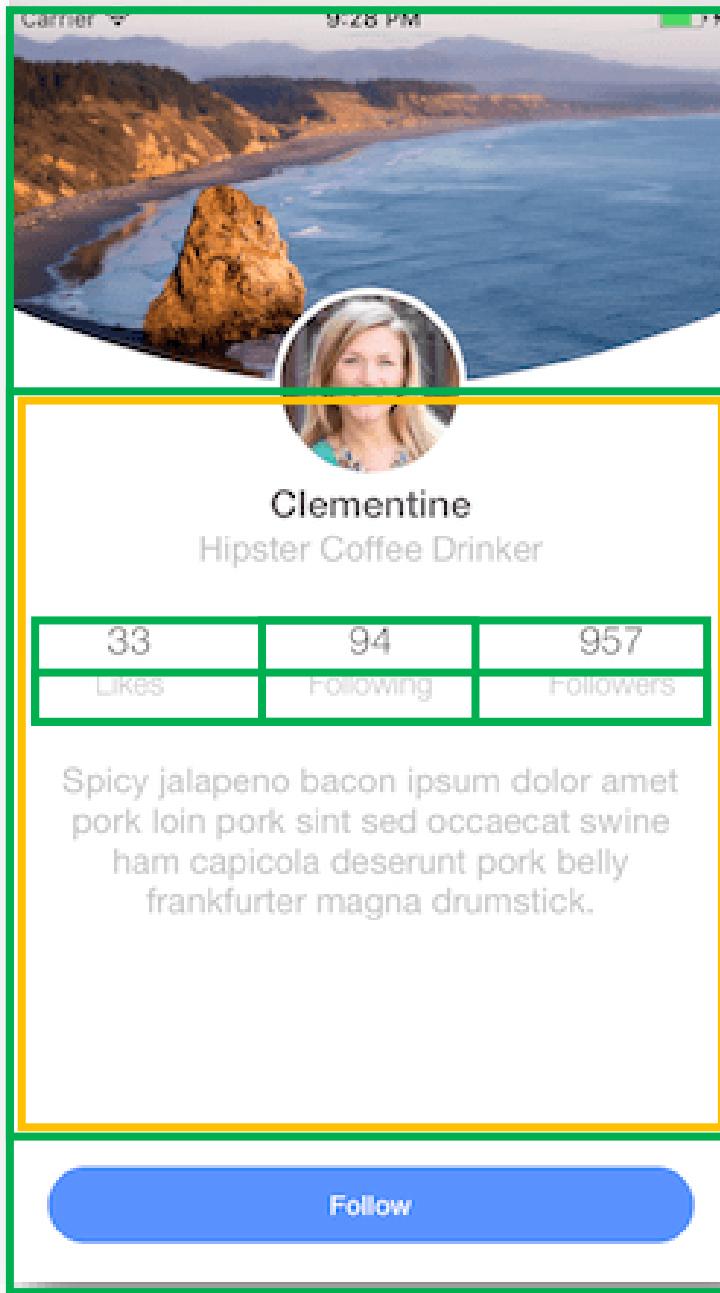
AbsoluteLayout



ScrollView



Grid



Grid (3 Rows)

Vertical StackLayout

Grid (3 cols, 2 rows)

Overlapping Elements



Positioning Views

- HorizontalOptions / VerticalOptions
- WidthRequest / HeightRequest
- Margin
- Padding
- Spacing (StackLayouts)
- RowSpacing / ColumnSpacing (Grids)
- RowSpan / ColumnSpan



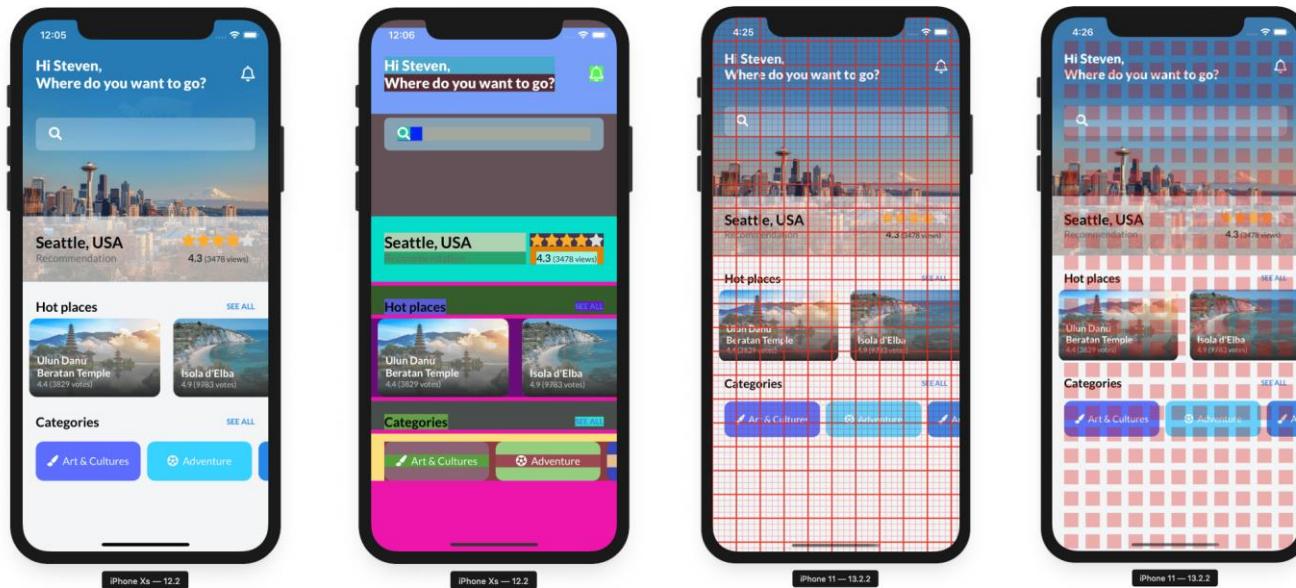
Transform Properties

- Translation X/Y
- Opacity
- Scale
- Rotation X/Y/Z



Debugging Layouts

Use `Xamarin.Forms.DebugRainbows` by Steven Thewissen



A yellow circular icon resembling a bomb or a bombshell, positioned on the left side of the slide. It has a yellow outline and a yellow fill. There are five short, yellow, curved lines radiating from the top edge of the circle, suggesting an explosion or impact.

Build
Amazing Things

Art Auction

Designer: Alex Pesenka

Components:

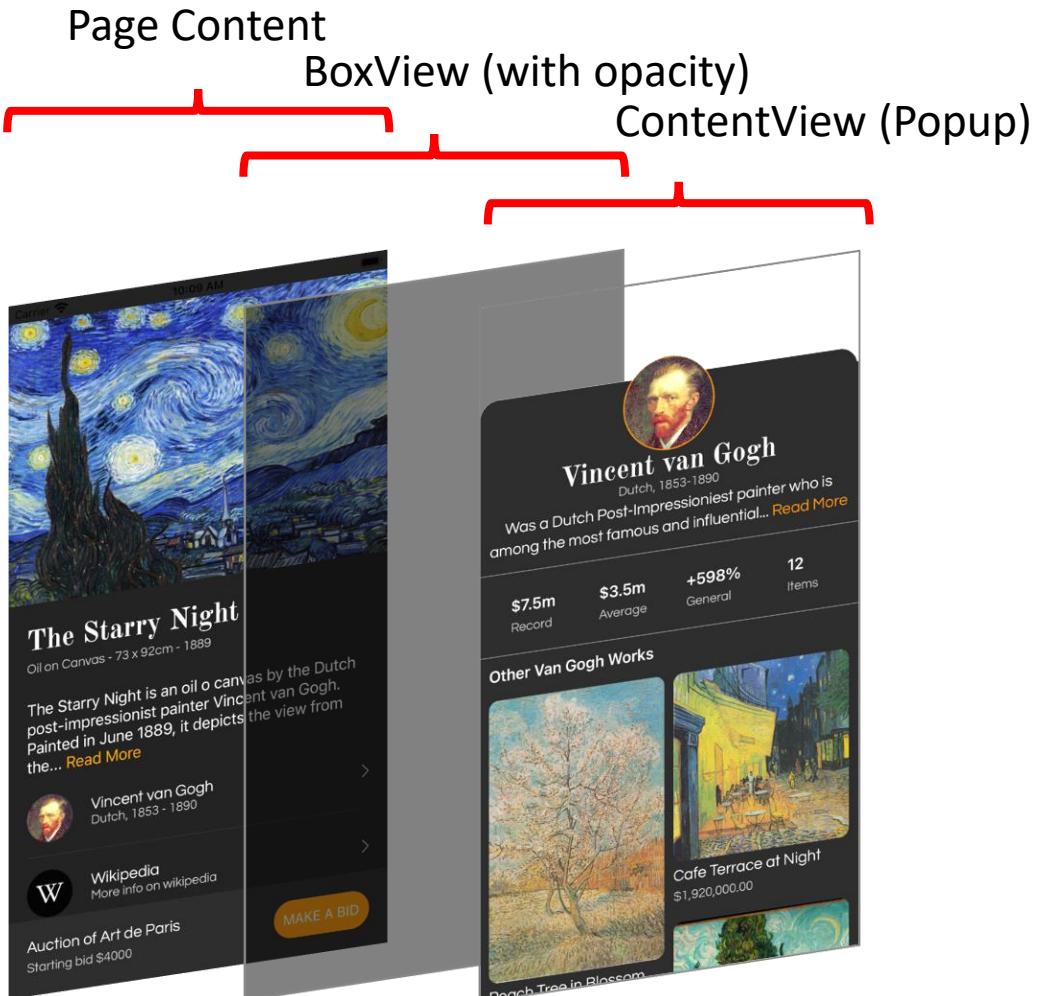
- Xamarin.Forms
- PancakeView
- ImageCircle



Github: <https://github.com/kphillpotts/artauction>

Dribbble: <https://dribbble.com/shots/6177235-Valuable-Auction-Product-Page>

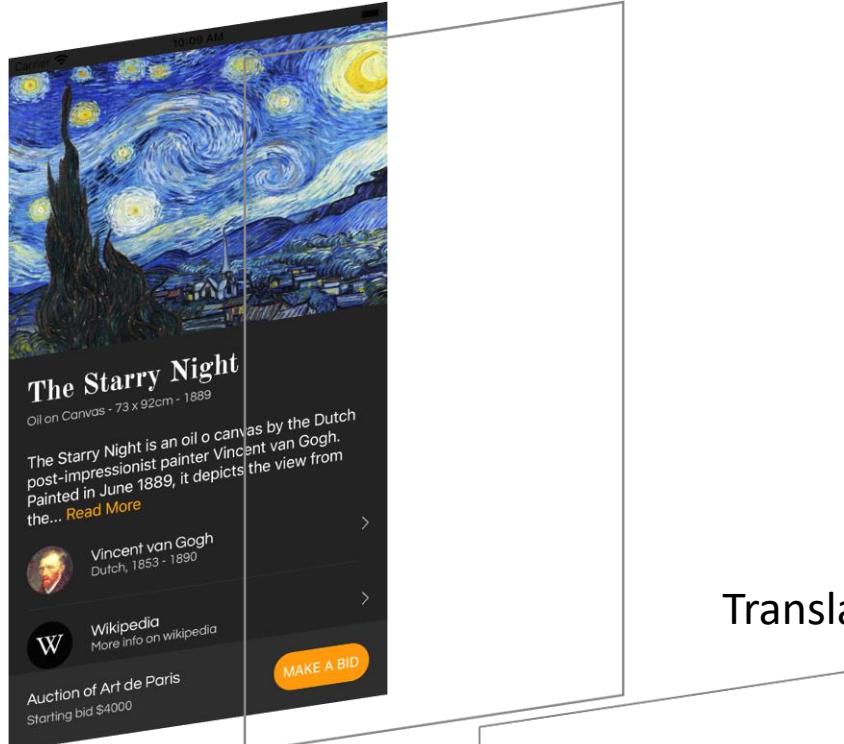
How to Popup and Fade Background



How to Popup and Fade Background



Vincent van Gogh



BoxView (Opacity 0, Visible=False)

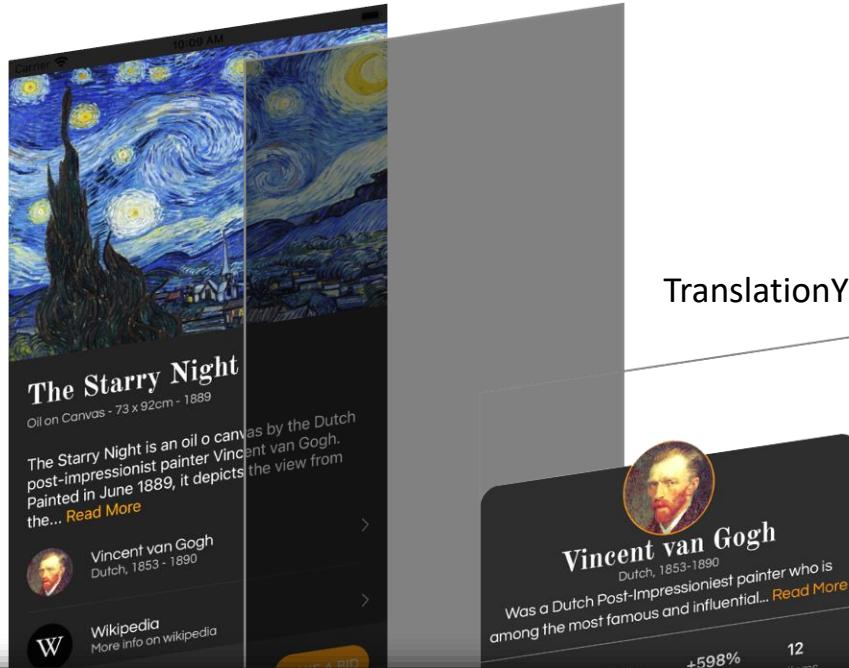
TranslationY = Page.Height



How to Popup and Fade Background



IsVisible=True, FadeTo(1)



TranslationY = Page.Height – FirstSectionHeight

```
private void Artist_Tapped(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    var firstSection = ArtistDetailsPopup.FirstSectionHeight;
    PageFader.Visible = true;
    PageFader.FadeTo(1, AnimationSpeed, Easing.SinInOut);
    ArtistDetailsPopup.TranslateTo(0, Height - firstSection, AnimationSpeed, Easing.SinInOut);
}
```

How to Popup and Fade Background



TranslationY = 80

```
private void ExpandArtistDetails()
{
    ArtistDetailsPopup.TranslateTo(0, 80, AnimationSpeed, Easing.SinInOut);
}
```

How to Popup and Fade Background

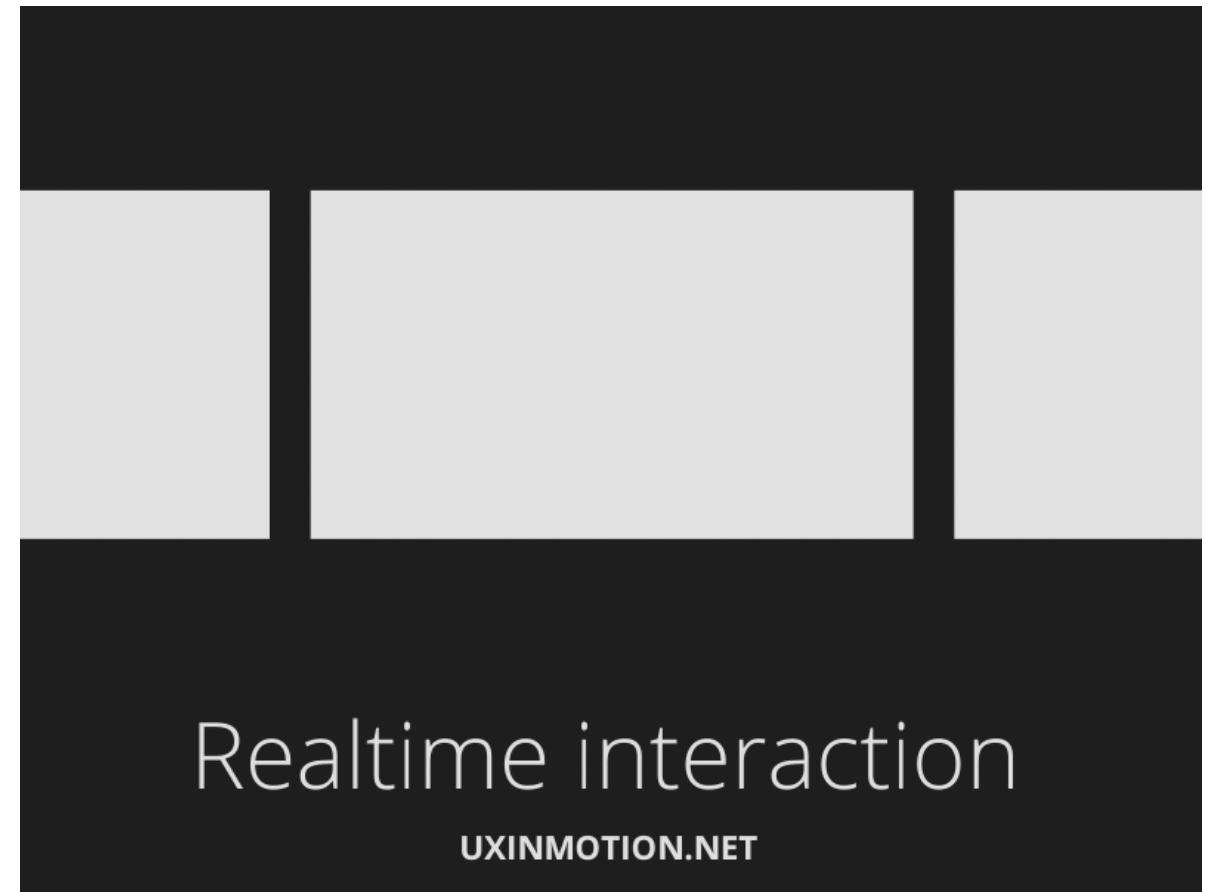
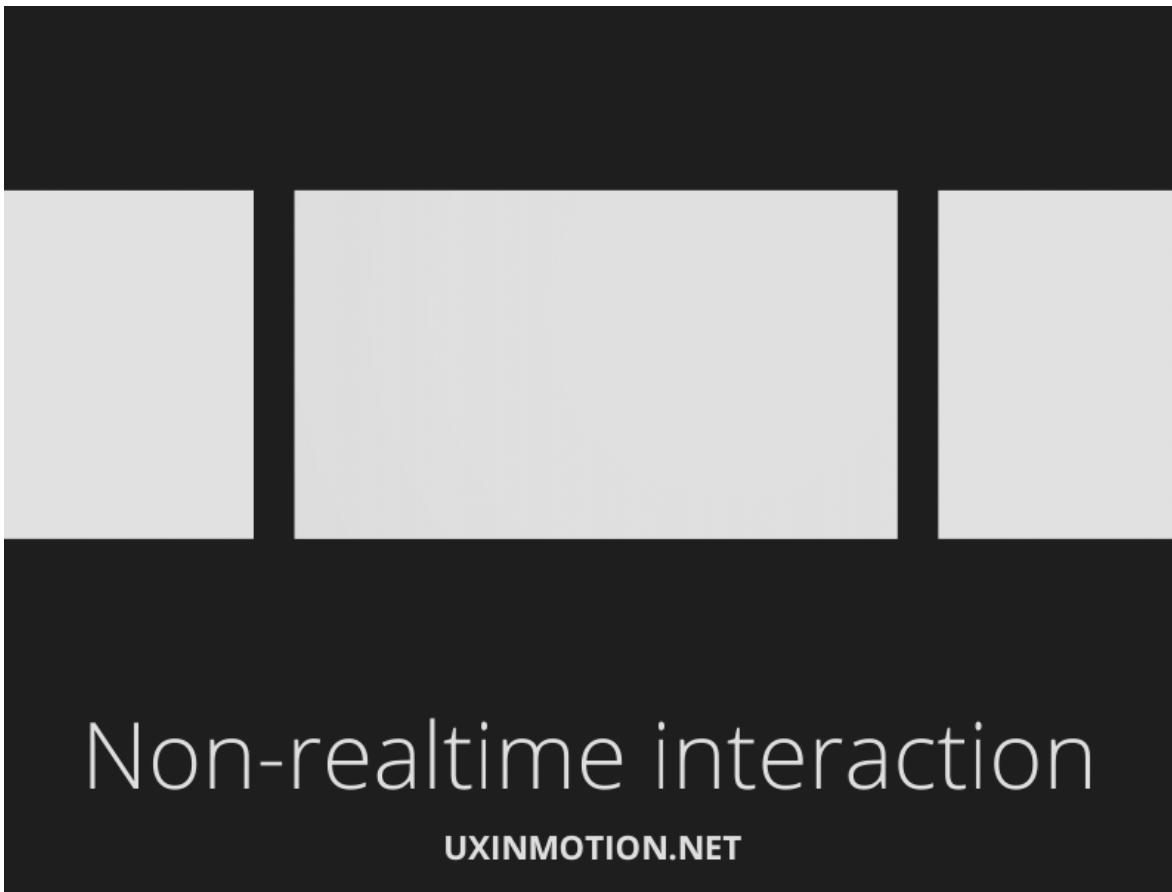


BoxView (Opacity 0, Visible=False)

TranslationY = Page.Height

```
private async void PageFader_Tapped(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    _ = ArtistDetailsPopup.TranslateTo(0, Height, AnimationSpeed, Easing.SinInOut);
    await PageFader.FadeTo(0, AnimationSpeed, Easing.SinInOut);
    PageFader.Visibile = false;
}
```

Different Types of Interactions



UnZone

Designer: Rick Waalders

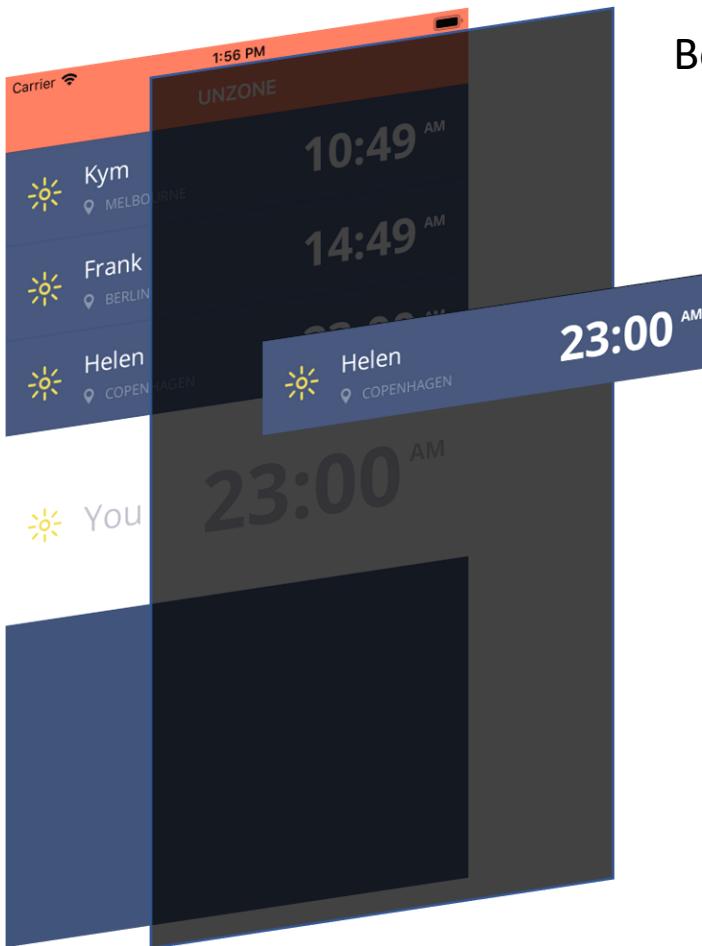
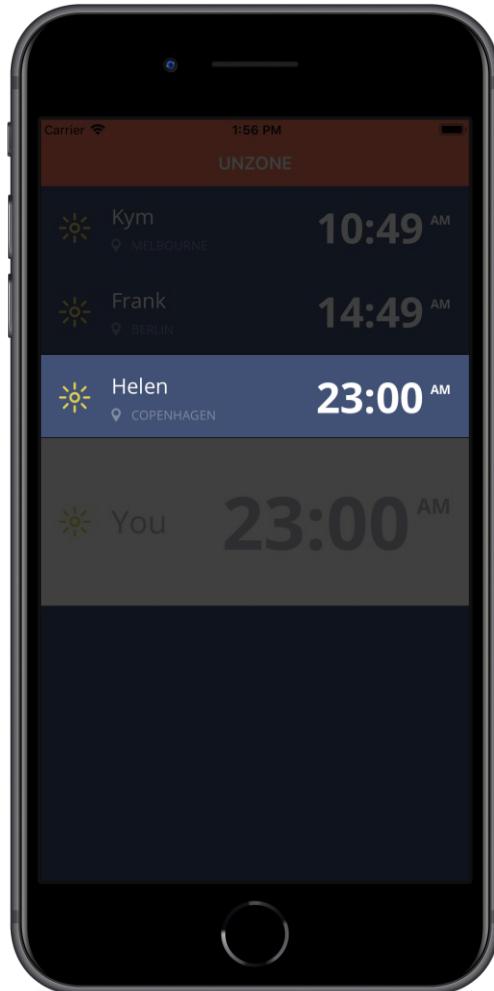
Components:

- Xamarin.Forms

Github: <https://github.com/kphillpotts/unzone>

Dribbble: <https://dribbble.com/shots/1551934-Unzone-Details-popup-animation>

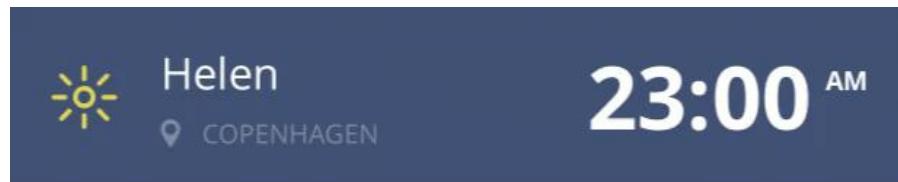
A more advanced Popup



BoxView (Opacity .5)

Copy of the Cell
Placed at the same position
As the tapped cell
(using AbsoluteLayout and Bounds)

How to Fold



```
await OpenDropDown(DeleteDropDown);  
await OpenDropDown(EditDropDown);  
await OpenDropDown(InfoDropDown);
```

```
private async Task OpenDropDown(View view)  
{  
    view.Visible = true;  
    view.RotationX = -90;  
    view.Opacity = 0;  
    _ = view.FadeTo(1, animationSpeed);  
    await view.RotateXTo(0, animationSpeed);  
}
```

The key is setting the **AnchorX** and **AnchorY** properties to determine where the rotation is based

How to Flip

from

```
private async Task Flip (VisualElement from, VisualElement to)
{
    await from.RotateYTo(-90, animationSpeed, Easing.SpringIn);
    to.RotationY = 90;
    to.Visible = true;
    from.Visible = false;
    await to.RotateYTo(0, animationSpeed, Easing.SpringOut);
}
```

How to Flip

```
private async Task Flip (VisualElement from, VisualElement to)
{
    await from.RotateYTo(-90, animationSpeed, Easing.SpringIn);
    to.RotationY = 90;
    to.Visible = true;
    from.Visible = false;
    await to.RotateYTo(0, animationSpeed, Easing.SpringOut);
}
```

How to Flip

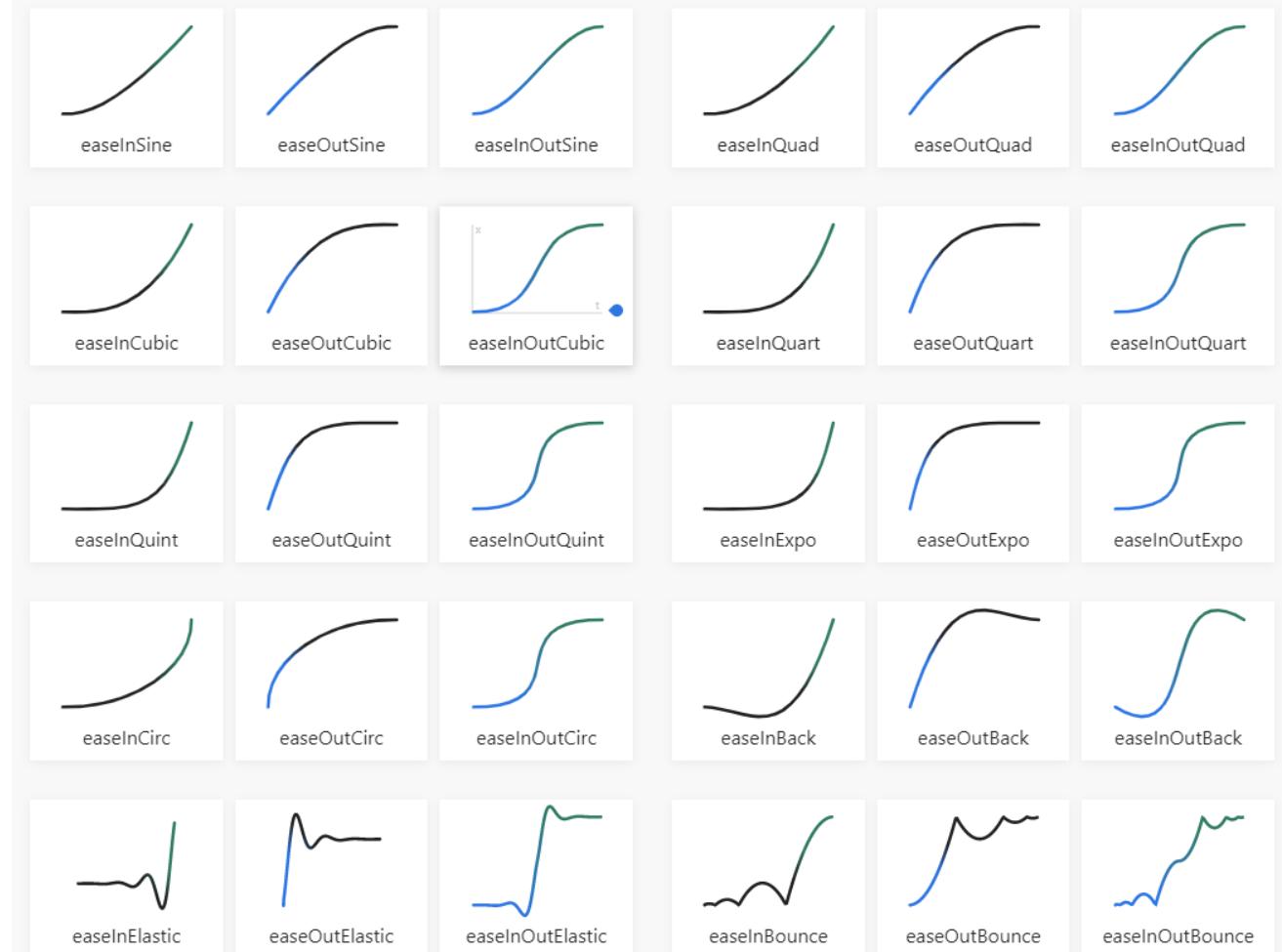
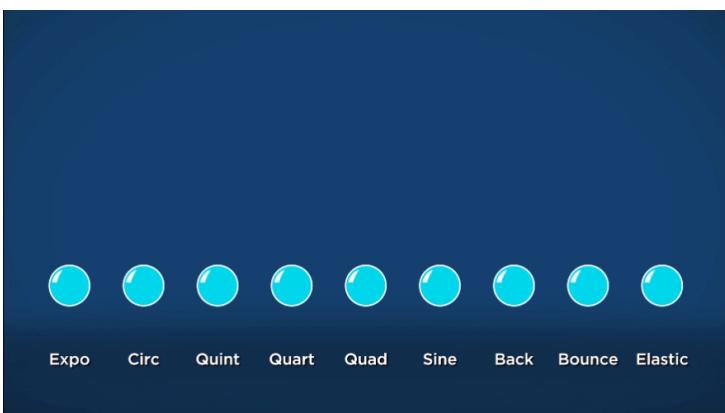
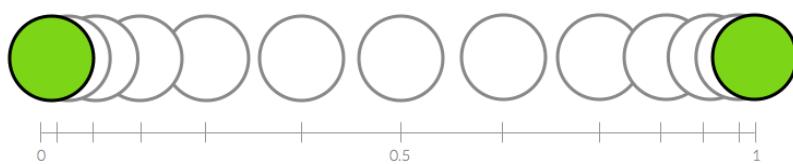
```
private async Task Flip (VisualElement from, VisualElement to)
{
    await from.RotateYTo(-90, animationSpeed, Easing.SpringIn);
    to.RotationY = 90;
    to.Visible = true;
    from.Visible = false;
    await to.RotateYTo(0, animationSpeed, Easing.SpringOut);
}
```

How to Flip

to

```
private async Task Flip (VisualElement from, VisualElement to)
{
    await from.RotateYTo(-90, animationSpeed, Easing.SpringIn);
    to.RotationY = 90;
    to.isVisible = true;
    from.isVisible = false;
    await to.RotateYTo(0, animationSpeed, Easing.SpringOut);
}
```

Easing Function



<https://easings.net>

How to float



```
private void AnimateCloseButton(VisualElement elementToTransform, bool entering)
{
    ...
    elementToTransform.FadeTo(endingOpacity, 500);
    elementToTransform.RotateTo(endingRotation, 700, Easing.SinInOut);
    elementToTransform.TranslateTo(0, endingTranslation, 600, translationEasing);
}
```

Marvel Movies Interaction

Designer: Vijay Verma

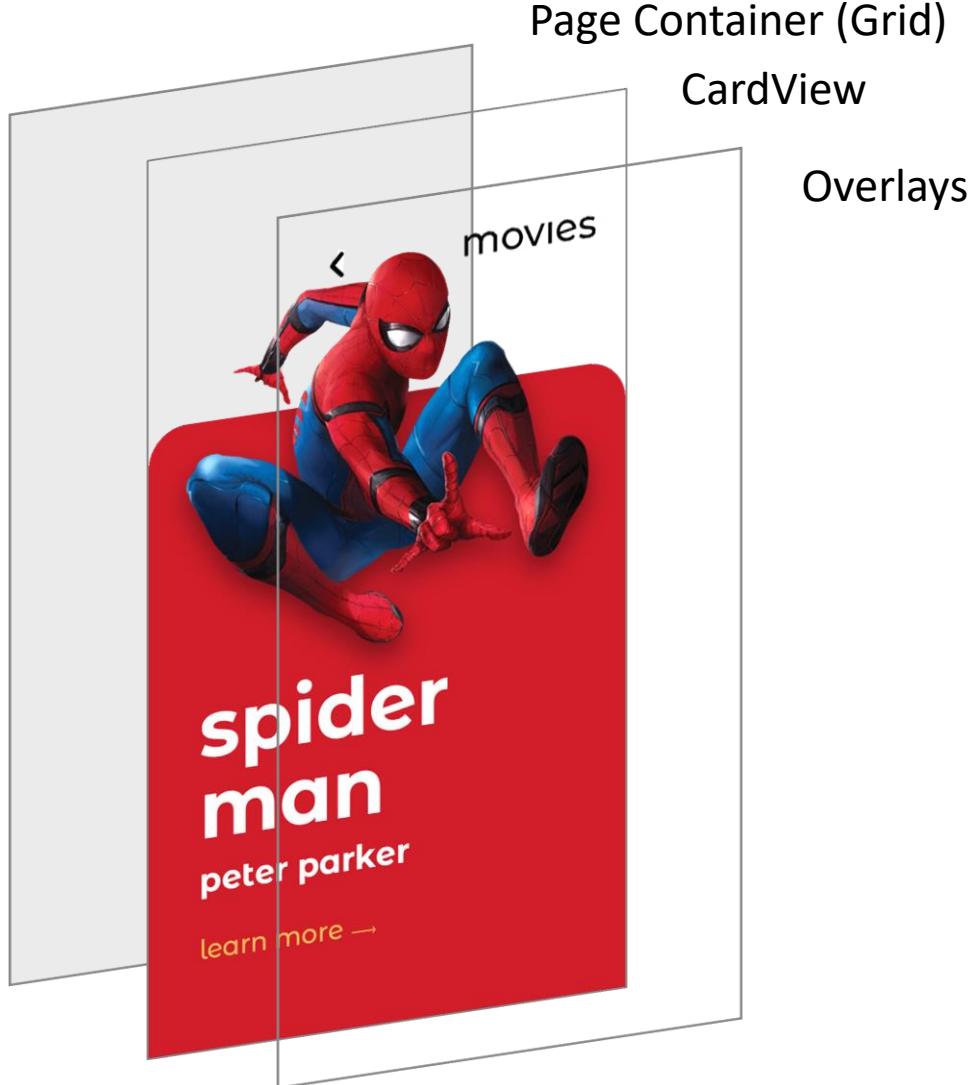
Components:

- Xamarin.Forms
- PancakeView
- SkiaSharp
- CardsView
<https://github.com/AndreiMisiukevich/CardView>

Github: <https://github.com/kphillpotts/marvelcards>

Dribbble: <https://dribbble.com/shots/5935613-Marvel-Movies-Interaction>

Page Layout



Realtime interaction on cards

```
2 references | 0 changes | 0 authors, 0 changes
private void AnimateFrontCardDuringSwipe(HeroCard card, double percentFromCenter)
{
    // opacity of the maincard during swipe
    MainCardView.CurrentView.Opacity = LimitToRange((1 - (percentFromCenter)) * 2, 0, 1);

    // scaling on the main card during swipe
    card.MainImage.Scale = LimitToRange((1 - (percentFromCenter)) * 1.5), 0, 1);

    // y offset of image during swipe
    card.MainImage.TranslationY = _heroImageTranslationY + (_movementFactor * percentFromCenter);

    // adjust opacity of image
    card.MainImage.Opacity = LimitToRange((1 - (percentFromCenter)) * 1.5, 0, 1); ;
}

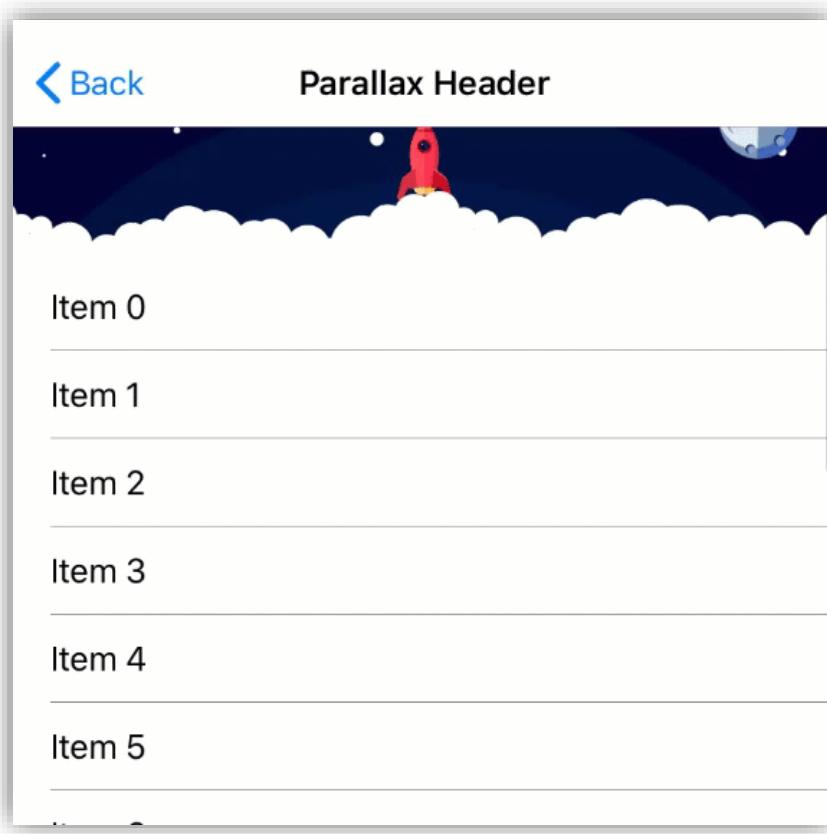
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private void AnimateIncomingCardDuringSwipe(HeroCard nextCard, double percentFromCenter)
{
    // opacity fading in
    nextCard.MainImage.Opacity = LimitToRange(percentFromCenter * 1.5, 0, 1);

    // scaling in
    nextCard.MainImage.Scale = LimitToRange(percentFromCenter * 1.1, 0, 1);

    var offset = _heroImageTranslationY + (_movementFactor * (1-(percentFromCenter*1.1)));
    nextCard.MainImage.TranslationY = LimitToRange(offset, _heroImageTranslationY,
        _heroImageTranslationY + _movementFactor);
}
```



Parallax



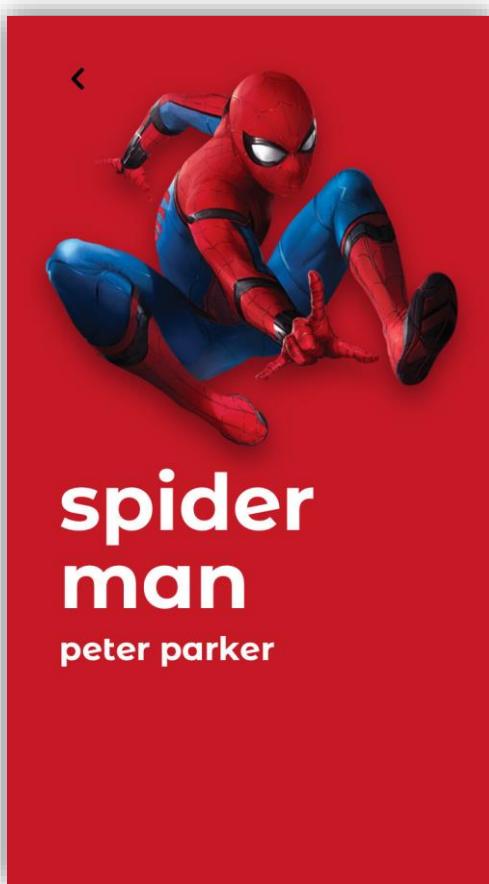
```
var scrollValue = e.ScrollY;  
Rocket.TranslationY = scrollValue / 2.5;  
Moon.TranslationY = scrollValue / 1.5;  
Clouds2.TranslationY = scrollValue / 2.2;  
Background.TranslationY = scrollValue;
```

Parallax is just translations based on a multiplier

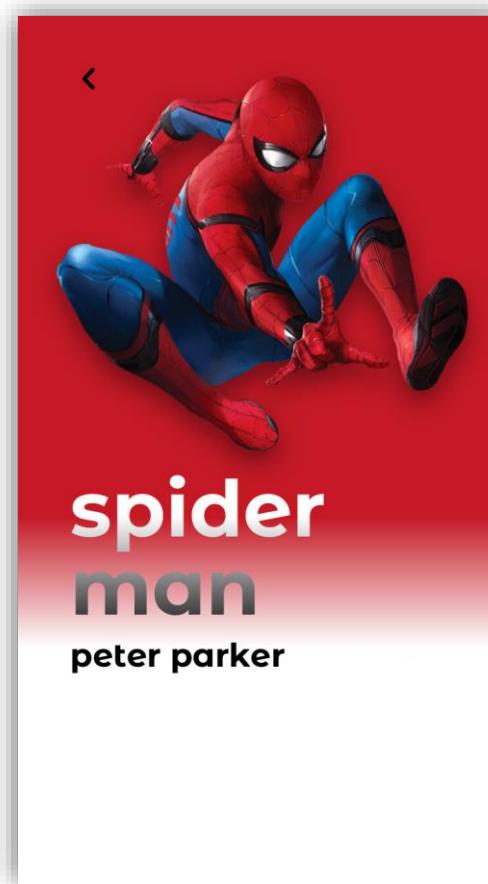
Card Transition



User selects card element



Background expands up



Gradient slides up



Other elements animate in

Pizza Shop

Designer: Bidyut Kumar Bera

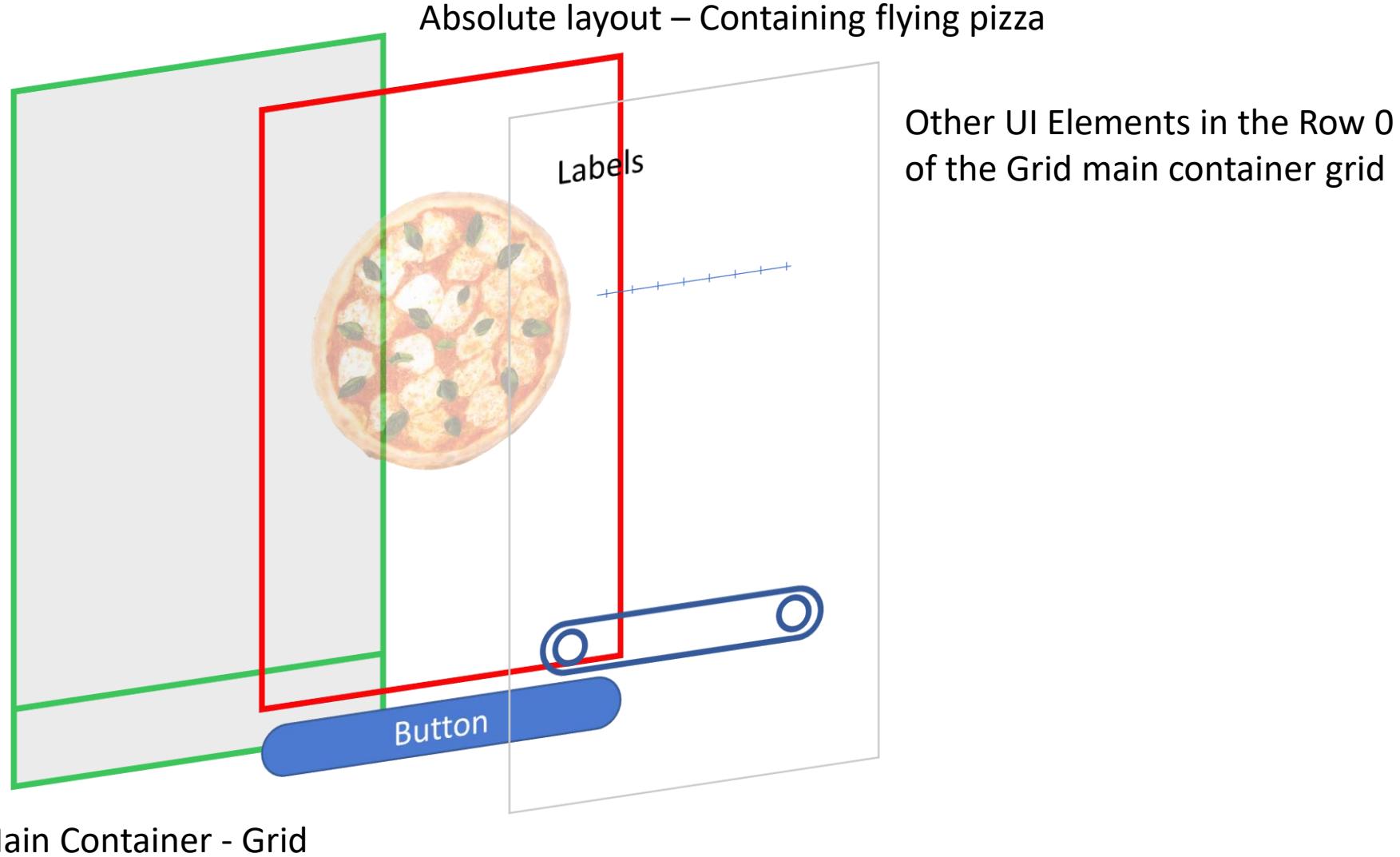
Components:

- Xamarin.Forms
- PancakeView
- SkiaSharp

Github: <https://github.com/kphillpotts/pizza>

Dribbble: <https://dribbble.com/shots/10921038-Pizza-Shop-app-Interaction>

Page Layout



State based animations

```
enum State
{
    Small,
    Medium,
    Large
}
```



```
var animState = new AnimationStateMachine();

animState.Add(State.Small, new ViewTransition[]
{
    new ViewTransition(Pizza, AnimationType.Layout, smallRect),
    new ViewTransition(Pizza, AnimationType.Rotation, 45),
    // ... etc.
});
animState.Add(State.Medium, new ViewTransition[]
{
    new ViewTransition(Pizza, AnimationType.Layout, mediumRect),
    new ViewTransition(Pizza, AnimationType.Rotation, 90),
    // ... etc.
});
animState.Add(State.Large, new ViewTransition[]
{
    new ViewTransition(Pizza, AnimationType.Layout, largeRect),
    new ViewTransition(Pizza, AnimationType.Rotation, 135),
    // ... etc.
});
```

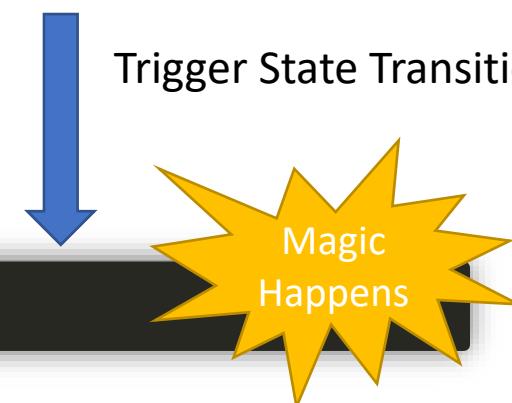
```
private void PizzaRulerThumb_Tapped(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    // navigate to the next state
    switch (animState.CurrentState)
    {
        case State.Small:
            animState.Go(State.Medium);
            break;
        case State.Medium:
            animState.Go(State.Large);
            break;
        case State.Large:
            animState.Go(State.Small);
            break;
    }
}
```

Create Transforms for different states



AnimationStateMachine

Trigger State Transitions



How to eat a pizza

```
private async Task PizzaFly()
{
    // check if the pizza is already flying
    if (FlyingPizza.IsVisible) return;

    // position flying pizza exactly over the display pizza
    FlyingPizza.IsVisible = true;
    AbsoluteLayout.SetLayoutBounds(FlyingPizza, Pizza.Bounds);

    // work out where it needs to fly to?
    var buttonBounds = PlaceOrderButton.Bounds;
    var size = new Size(buttonBounds.Height, buttonBounds.Height);
    var location = new Point(buttonBounds.Right - size.Width, buttonBounds.Top);
    var chompBounds = new Rectangle(location, size);

    // animate the pizza down
    _ = FlyingPizza.LayoutTo(chompBounds, 500, Easing.SinInOut);
    _ = FlyingPizza.RelRotateTo(90, 500, Easing.SinInOut);

    // do the button chomp
    var buttonChompBounds = new Rectangle(PlaceOrderButton.Bounds.Location,
        new Size(PlaceOrderButton.Width - buttonBounds.Height, buttonBounds.Height));
    await PlaceOrderButton.LayoutTo(buttonChompBounds, 500, Easing.SinInOut);

    // rotate the pizza as it's being eaten
    _ = FlyingPizza.RelRotateTo(-90, 500, Easing.SinInOut);

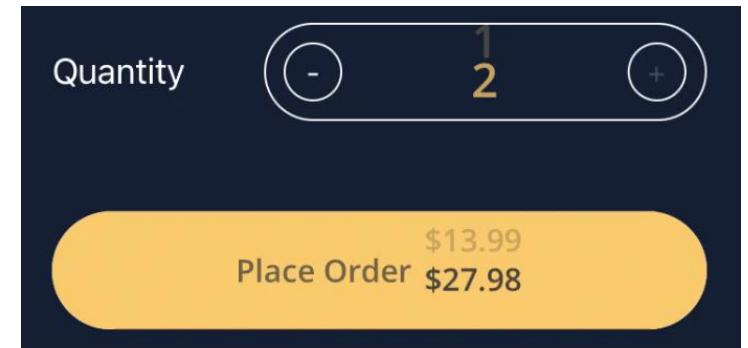
    // close the button chomp
    await PlaceOrderButton.LayoutTo(buttonBounds, 500, Easing.SinInOut);

    // hide the pizza
    FlyingPizza.IsVisible = false;
}
```



How to create a spinning counter

```
<Grid  
    x:Class="Pizza.Controls.FerrisLabel"  
    xmlns="http://xamarin.com/schemas/2014/forms"  
    xmlns:x="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2009/xaml"  
    xmlns:controls="clr-namespace:Pizza.Controls"  
    xmlns:mc="http://schemas.openxmlformats.org/markup-compatibility/2006">  
    <Label  
        x:Name="CurrentLabel"  
        HorizontalOptions="Center"  
        VerticalOptions="Center" />  
    <Label  
        x:Name="NextLabel"  
        HorizontalOptions="Center"  
        Opacity="0"  
        VerticalOptions="Center" />  
</Grid>
```



How to create a spinning counter

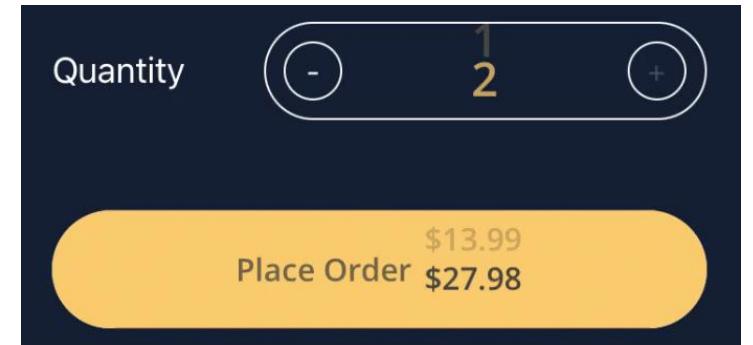
```
public static readonly BindableProperty TextProperty :
```

```
async void ApplyText(string oldValue, string newValue)
{
    // update the current to be the old value
    Current.Text = oldValue;
    Current.TranslationY = Current.TranslationX = 0;
    Current.Opacity = 1;

    // animate out the current label
    _ = Current.TranslateTo(-AnimationOffset.X, -AnimationOffset.Y);
    _ = Current.FadeTo(0);

    // animate in the next label
    Next.Text = newValue;
    Next.TranslationY = AnimationOffset.Y;
    Next.TranslationX = AnimationOffset.X;
    Next.Opacity = 0;
    _ = Next.TranslateTo(0, 0);
    await Next.FadeTo(1);

    // recycle the views
    Current = NextLabel;
    Next = CurrentLabel;
}
```



Day vs Night

Designer: Ionut Zamfir

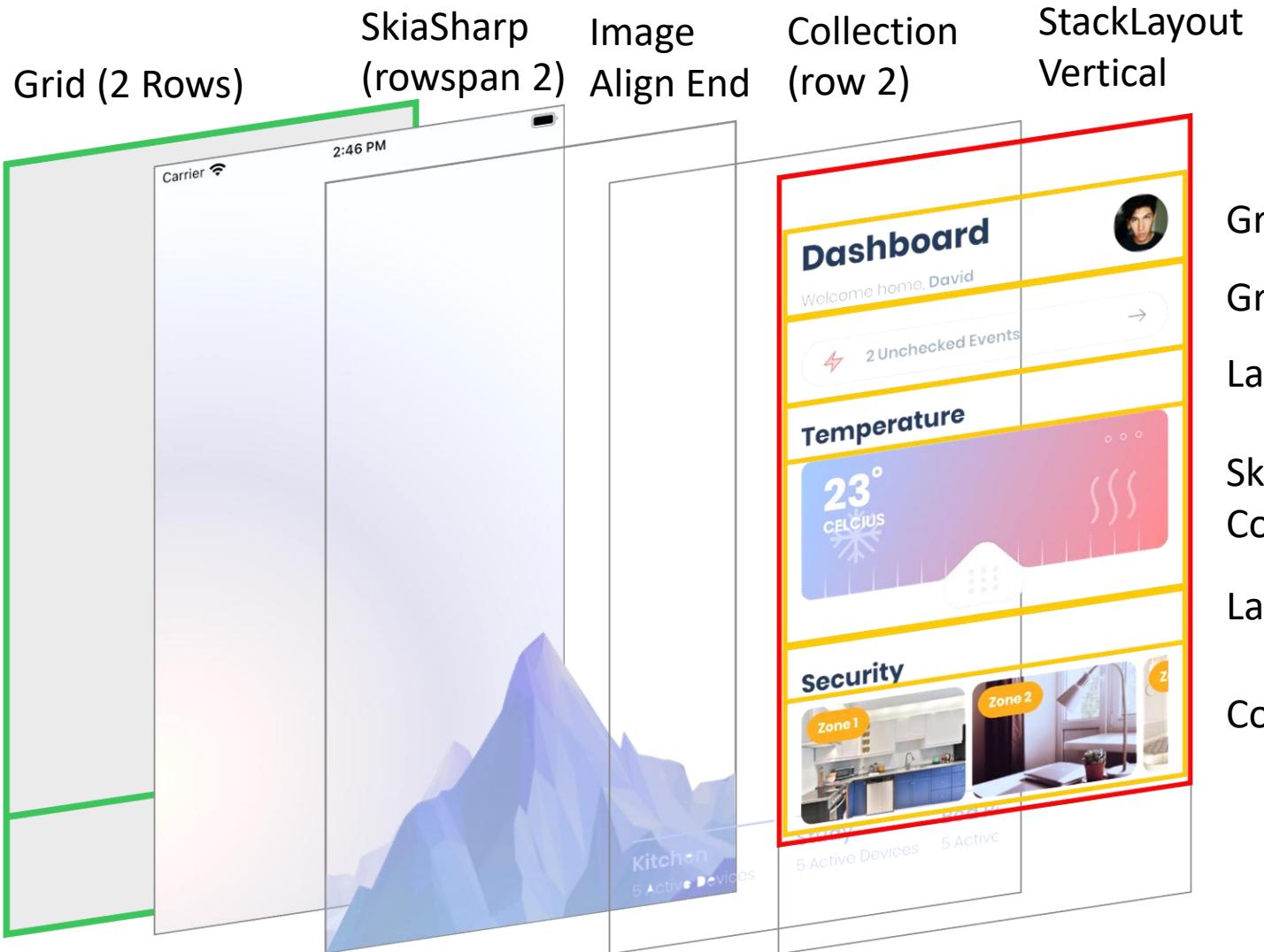
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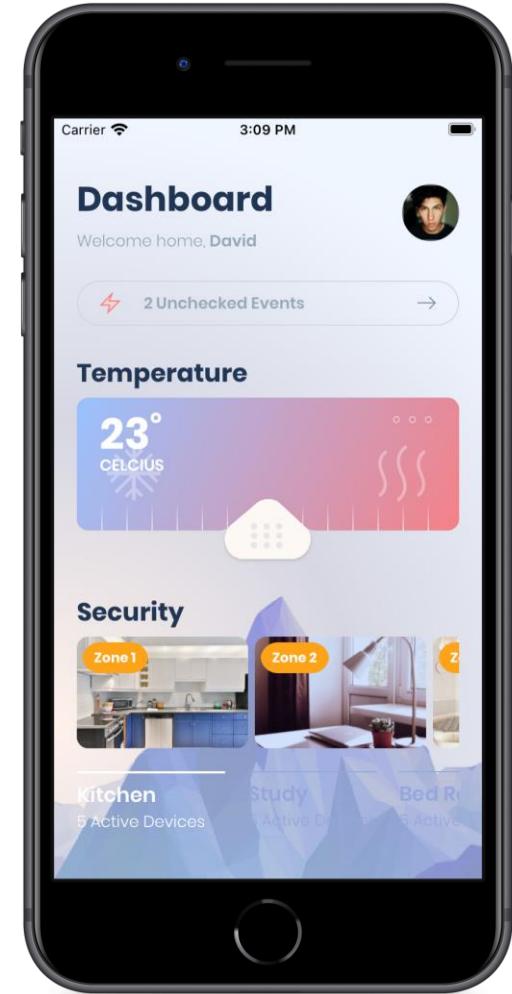
Github: <https://github.com/kphillpotts/dayvsnight>

Dribbble: <https://dribbble.com/shots/4840427-Dashboard-Day-vs-Night>

Page Layout

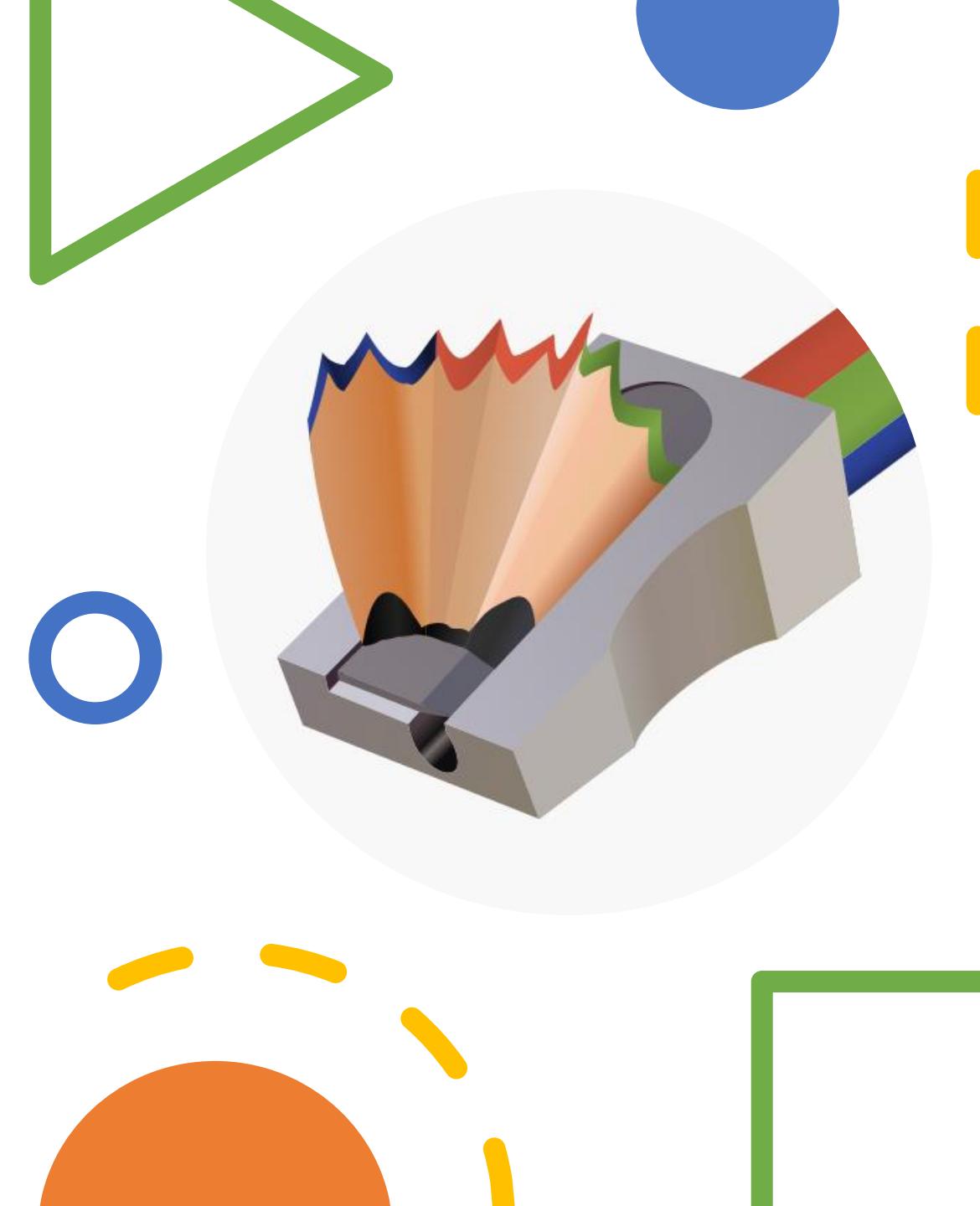


Grid
Grid
Label
SkiaSharp Control
Label
Collection



SkiaSharp

- Cross Platform 2D Graphics
- Amazing for creating custom drawing
- Super Fast and Feature Rich
- Pretty complex
- Docs and Samples are a great start

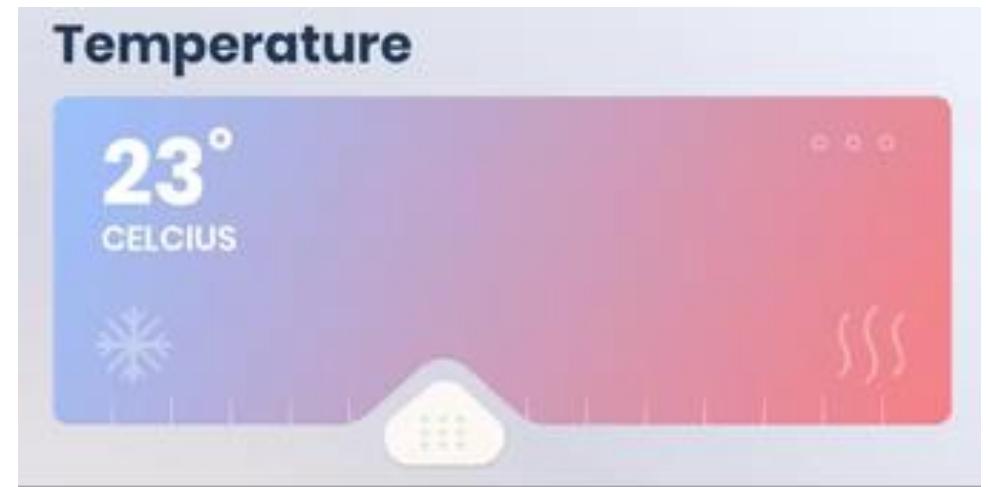


SkiaSharp Controls

```
private void TouchEffect_TouchAction(object sender, TouchEffect.TouchEventArgs args)
{
    Percent = (args.Location.X / TempGaugeCanvas.Width) * 100;
}

public double Percent
{
    get => percent;
    set
    {
        percent = value;
        TempGaugeCanvas.InvalidateSurface();
    }
}
```

```
// do some drawing stuff here - it won't be clipped
...
using (new SKAutoCanvasRestore(canvas))
{
    ...
    canvas.ClipPath(scaledClipPath, SKclipOperation.Difference, true);
    ...
    // everything here will have the clipping applied
    ...
}
// after the USING the canvas is restored to it's previous state so no clipping will happen
...
```



Animate
Amazing Things

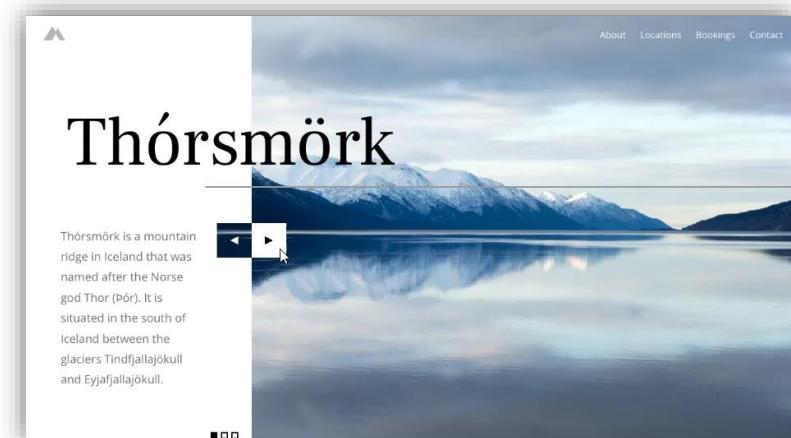
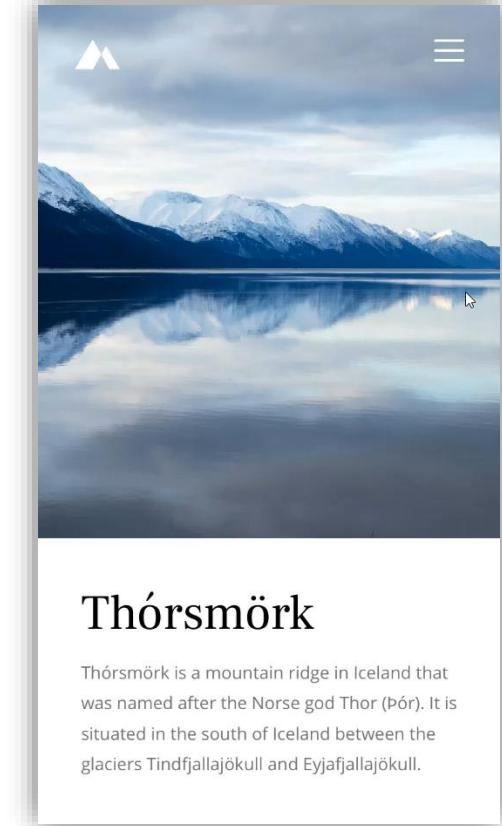


Mountain Design

Designer: Henry Price

Components:

- Xamarin.Forms
- SkiaSharp

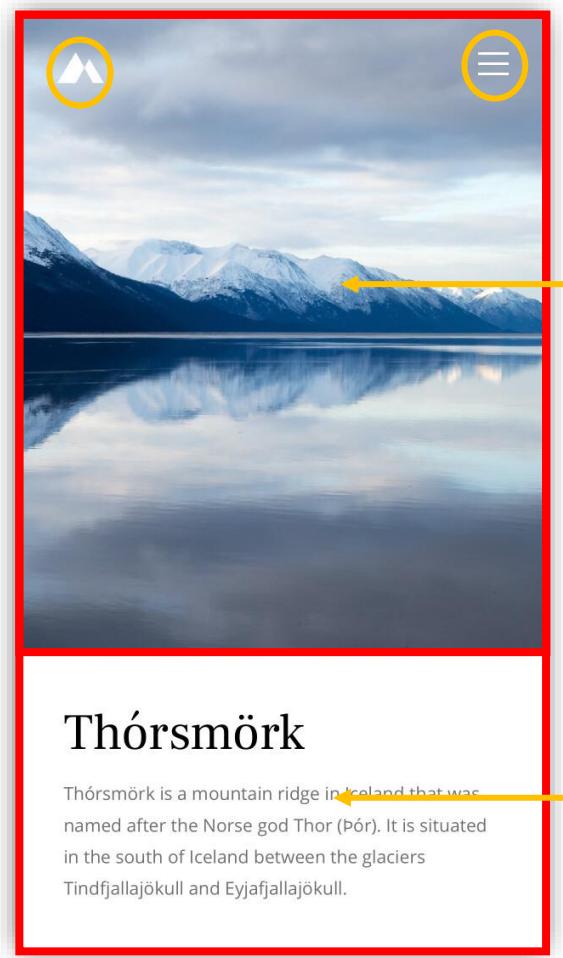


Github: <https://github.com/kphillpotts/mountainmobile>

Dribbble: <https://dribbble.com/shots/6727910-Mountain-Mobile-Animation>

Portrait Orientation Layout

Grid (2 rows)



Xamarin.Forms Images

SkiaSharp Surface

Xamarin.Forms Labels

Thórsmörk

Thórsmörk is a mountain ridge in Iceland that was named after the Norse god Thor (Þór). It is situated in the south of Iceland between the glaciers Tindfjallajökull and Eyjafjallajökull.



Animating SkiaSharp

- Create a custom animation

```
private void AnimateTransition()
{
    var startValue = 0;
    var endValue = ImageSkiaCanvas.CanvasSize.Width;

    var parentAnimation = new Animation();

    // animate values
    parentAnimation.Add(0.20, 0.70, new Animation(v => bandTranslationValues[0] = v, startValue, endValue, Easing.SinInOut));
    parentAnimation.Add(0.15, 0.65, new Animation(v => bandTranslationValues[1] = v, startValue, endValue, Easing.SinInOut));
    parentAnimation.Add(0.10, 0.60, new Animation(v => bandTranslationValues[2] = v, startValue, endValue, Easing.SinInOut));
    parentAnimation.Add(0.05, 0.55, new Animation(v => bandTranslationValues[3] = v, startValue, endValue, Easing.SinInOut));
    parentAnimation.Add(0.00, 0.50, new Animation(v => bandTranslationValues[4] = v, startValue, endValue, Easing.SinInOut));

    // perform refresh cycle
    parentAnimation.Add(0.00, 1.00, new Animation(v => ImageSkiaCanvas.InvalidateSurface(), 0, 1, Easing.Linear));

    // launch the animation
    parentAnimation.Commit(this, "TransitionAnimation", 16, 2000);
}
```

Animating SkiaSharp

- Handle the PaintSurface Event

```
private void SKCanvasView_PaintSurface(object sender, SkiaSharp.Views.Forms.SKPaintSurfaceEventArgs args)
{
    SKImageInfo info = args.Info;
    SKSurface surface = args.Surface;
    SKCanvas canvas = surface.Canvas;

    canvas.Clear();

    SKRect imageRect = new SKRect(0, 0, info.Width, info.Height);

    if (!isAnimating)...
    else
    {
        // work out our heights and widths of our rectangles
        var bandHeight = currentBitmap.Height / bandTranslationValues.Length;
        var bandWidth = currentBitmap.Width;

        for (int i = 0; i < bandTranslationValues.Length; i++)
        {
            var bandyOffset = i * bandHeight;

            DrawBitmapSliceAtOffset(canvas, currentBitmap,
                bandyOffset, (float)bandTranslationValues[i], bandWidth, bandHeight);

            DrawBitmapSliceAtOffset(canvas, offscreenBitmap,
                bandyOffset, (float)incomingBandTranslationValues[i], bandWidth, bandHeight);
        }
    }
}
```

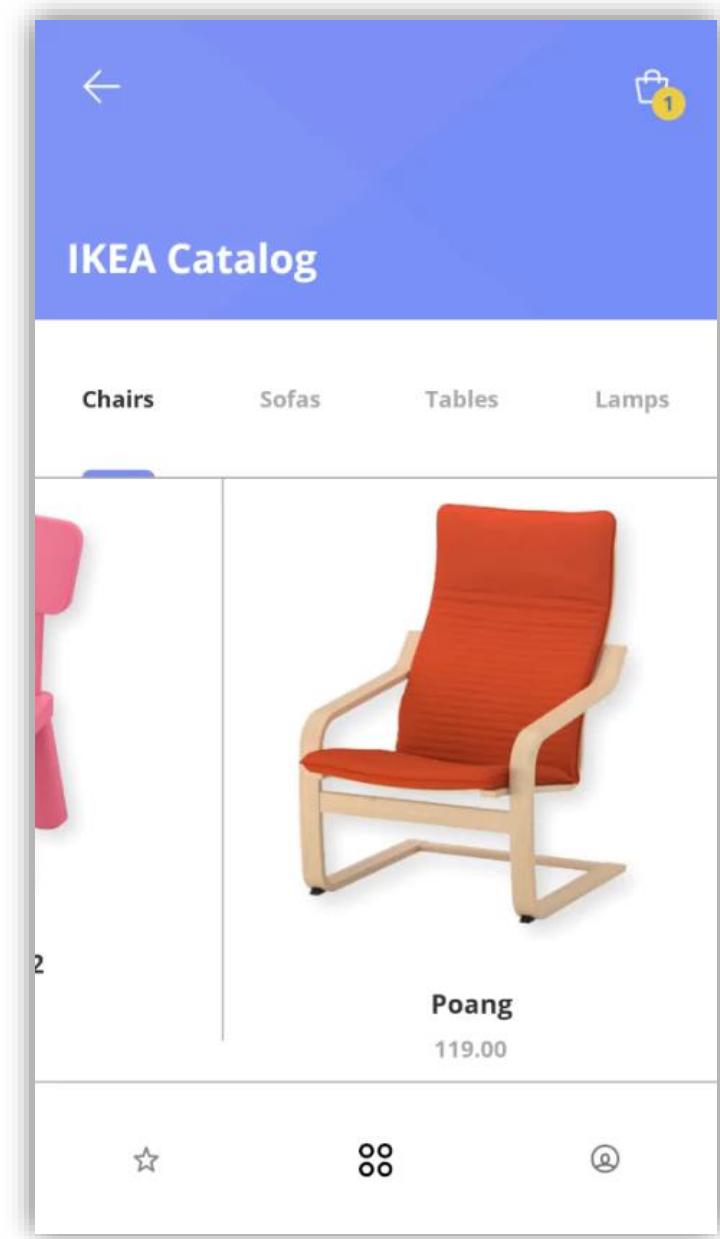
Multi Page Animations

Xamarin.Plugin.SharedTransitions

```
<Image  
    sharedTransition:Transition.Group="{Binding Name}"  
    sharedTransition:Transition.Name="SelectedItemImage"  
    Source="{Binding Image}" />
```

```
SharedTransitionNavigationPage.SetTransitionSelectedGroup(this, selectedItem.Name);  
Navigation.PushAsync(new ProductDetailsPage(selectedItem));
```

```
<Image  
    sharedTransition:Transition.Name="SelectedItemImage"  
    HorizontalOptions="End"  
    Source="{Binding Image}"  
    TranslationY="50"  
    VerticalOptions="End" />
```



Advanced animation with *Lottie*

For complex animations provided by designers

```
<lottie:AnimationView  
    x:Name="AnimationView"  
    Animation="funky_chicken.json"  
    AutoPlay="True"  
    HeightRequest="200"  
    HorizontalOptions="Center"  
    Loop="True"  
    Opacity="0"  
    TranslationX="-300"  
    VerticalOptions="Center"  
    WidthRequest="200" />
```

```
1 reference | Kym Phillipotts, 341 days ago | 1 author, 1 change  
private async Task ValidLoginAnimation()  
{  
    await LoginContainer.FadeTo(0, 250);  
    AnimationView.Opacity = 1;  
    await AnimationView.TranslateTo(0, 0, 2000, Easing.SinInOut);  
    ConfettiView.Opacity = 1;  
    ConfettiView.Play();  
    ConfettiView.OnFinish += ConfettiView_OnFinish;  
    await Task.Delay(1000);  
    await AnimationView.TranslateTo(300, 0, 2000, Easing.SinInOut);  
    AnimationView.Opacity = 0;  
}  
}
```

Com.Airbnb.Xamarin.Forms.Lottie

- <https://useanimations.com/>
- <https://lottiefiles.com>



Thank You

LINKS AND SLIDES FROM THIS SESSION

github.com/kphillpotts/MonkeyFest2020



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