

# Software Studio

## 軟體設計與實驗

# Cocos Creator : UI

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# User Interface

- Send messages to game to tell it what you want to do.
- Show information to user.
- For example, show score, use button to call function...



# UI Components

- Canvas
- Layout
- Button
- ScrollView
- EditText
- Label
- RichText
- ...



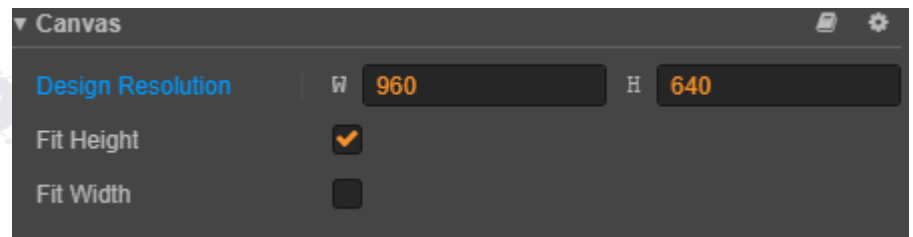
# Canvas

- The **Canvas** component can get the actual resolution of the device screen and zoom in and out of all the rendered elements in the scene.
- There can only exist **one Canvas component in the scene at a time.**
- We recommend you set all the UI and renderable elements as Canvas's child nodes.



# Canvas

- Design Resolution
  - the resolution blueprint used while the content producer builds the scene
- Fit Height
  - the height of the design resolution will auto-fit to the screen height
- Fit Width
  - the width of the design resolution will auto-fit to the screen width



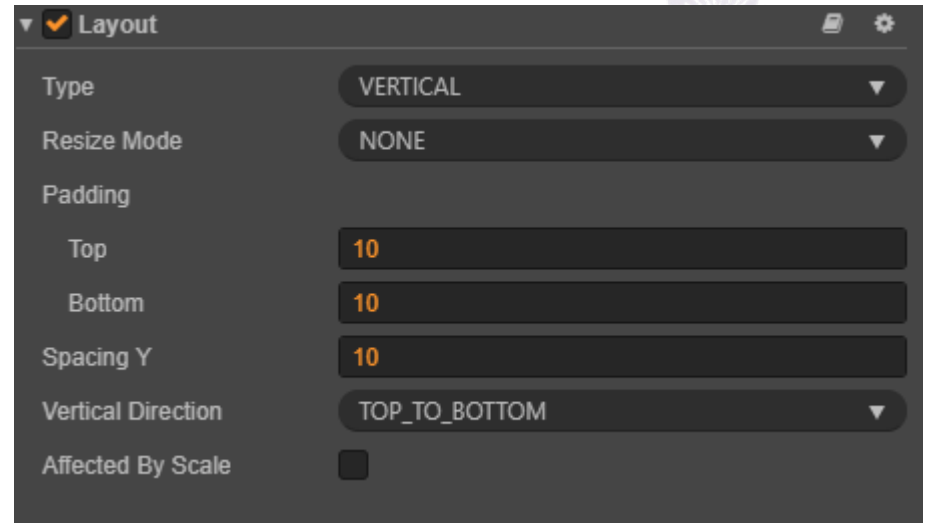
# Layout

- Layout is a container component. It can unlock the auto-layout function to arrange all the sub-objects automatically, so that the user can use it to make a list, page turning and other functions conveniently.



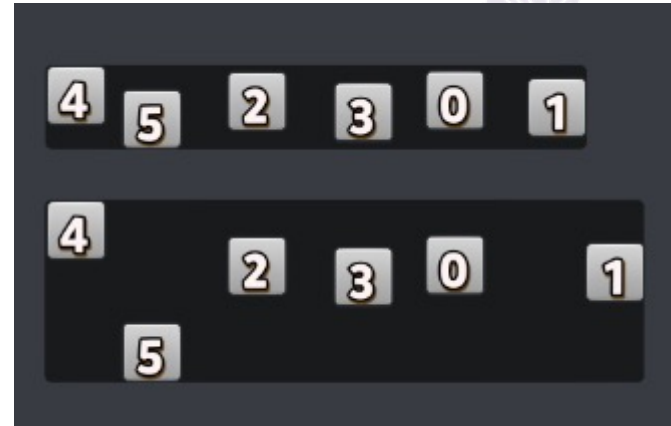
# Layout

- Type
  - None
  - Horizontal
  - Vertical
  - Grid
- Resize Mode
  - None
  - Container
  - Children

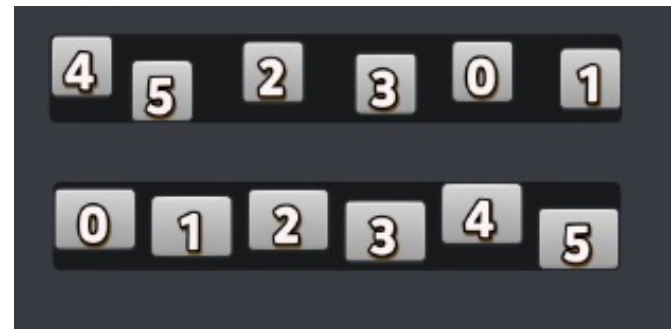


# Layout Example

- Type: None
- Resize: Container



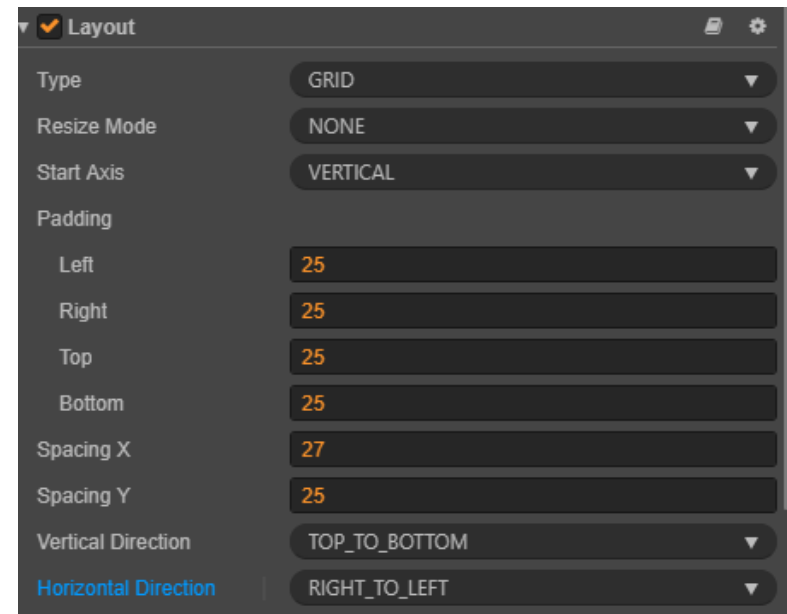
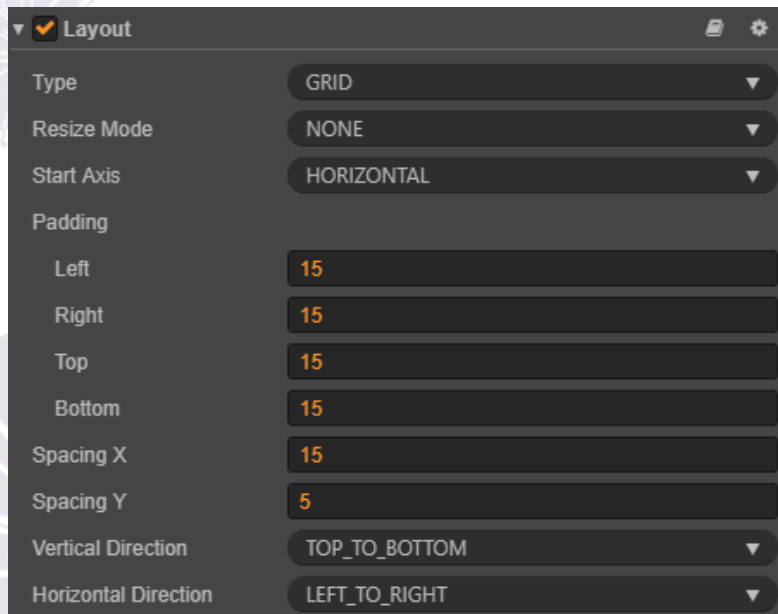
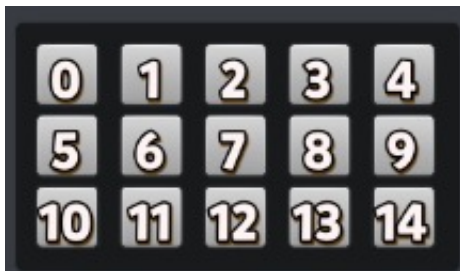
- Type: Horizontal
- Resize: Children





# Layout Example

- Horizontal Grid
- Vertical Grid



# Button

- The button component responds to a click from the user.
- When the user clicks a Button, its status will change. In addition, users can assign a custom behavior to buttons' click event.

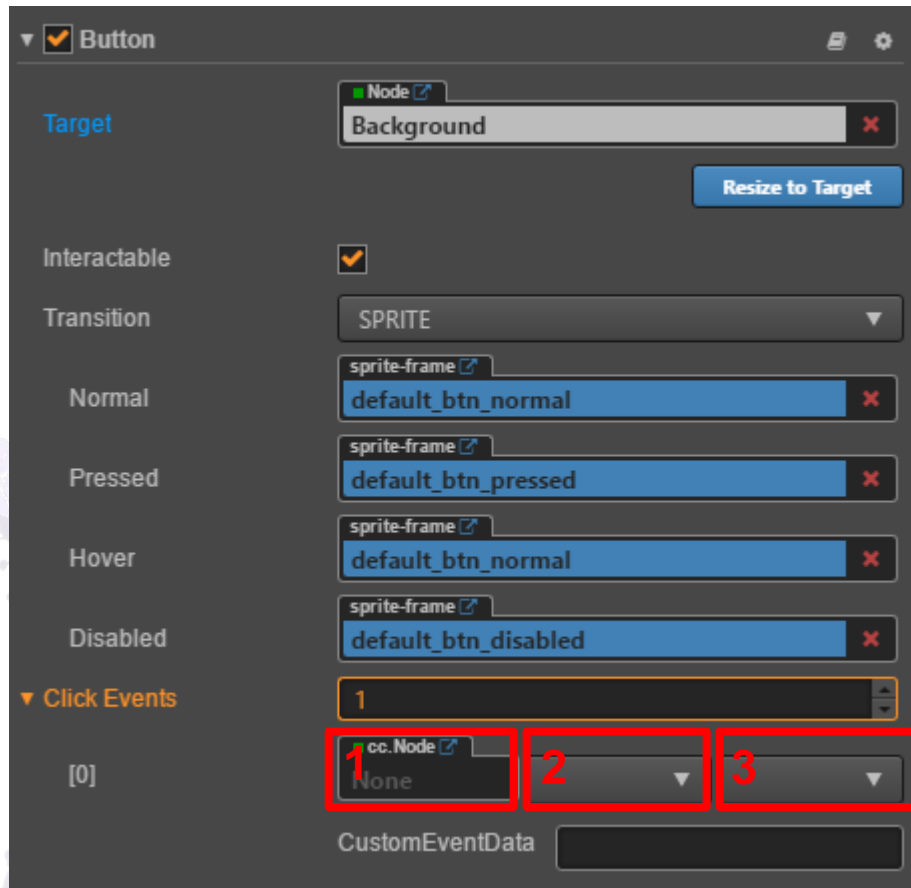


# Button

- Transition : button appearance will change according to its state.
  - None
  - Color
  - Sprite
  - Scale
- Click Events : Functions will be called when user click the button.



# Button

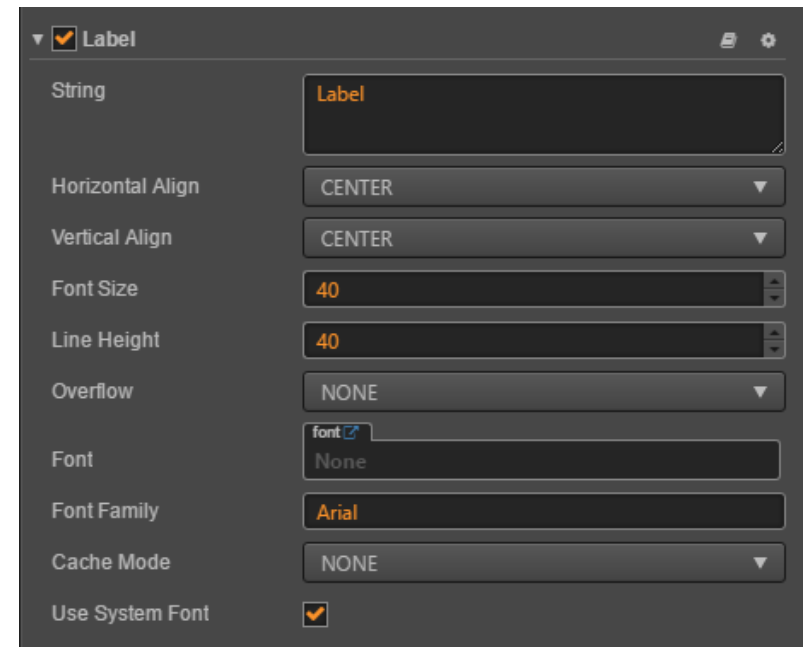
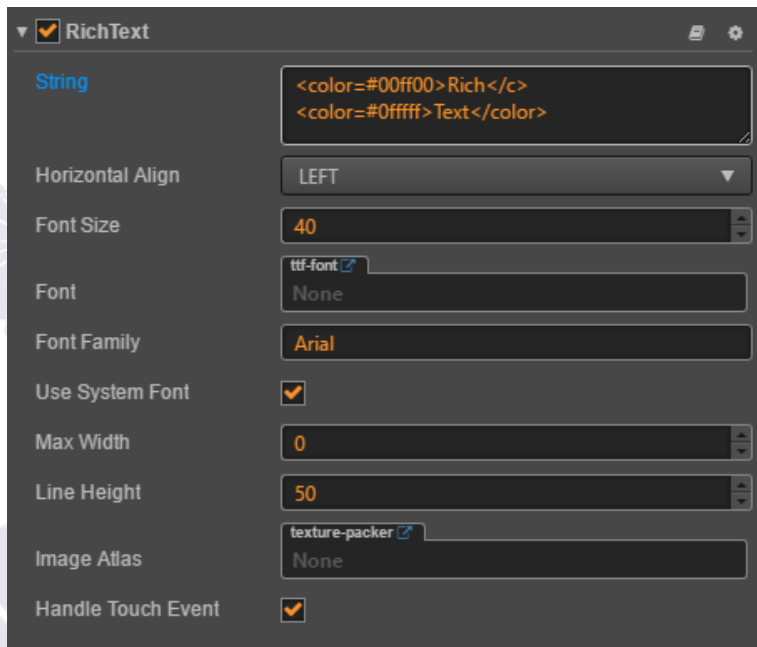


1. Script Node
2. Script Name
3. Function Name



# RichText / Label

- These two components are used to show text with different properties.



# RichText / Label

- String
  - The string we want to show in the scene.
- Align
  - Decide the way to align the text.
- Font
  - Use customized TTF font or font to adjust the style of string.



# RichText Tags

- RichText can use BBcode format to customize your string.
  - `<color>` : Specify the font rendering color
  - `<outline>` : Specify the font outline
    - you can customize the outline color and width by using the *color* and *width* attribute.
  - `<b>` : Bold font
  - `<i>` : Italic font
  - `<u>` : Add a underline to the text

`<color=#00ff00>Cocos Creator</c>`



Cocos Creator



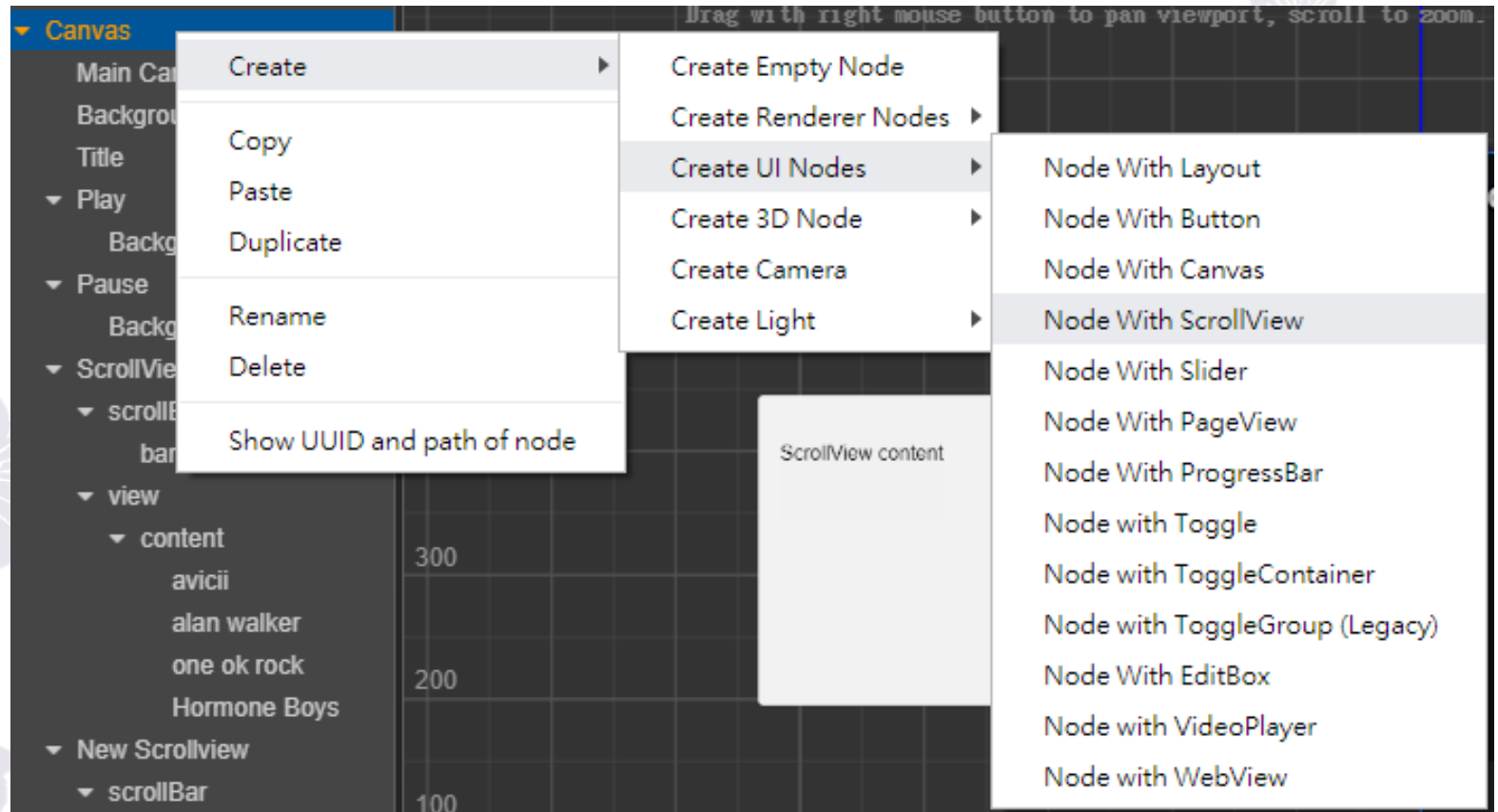
# ScrollView

- It provides a way to browse more contents within a limited display area.
- Generally, ScrollView will be used along with the **Mask** component and the **ScrollBar** component can also be added to show the location of the browsing content.



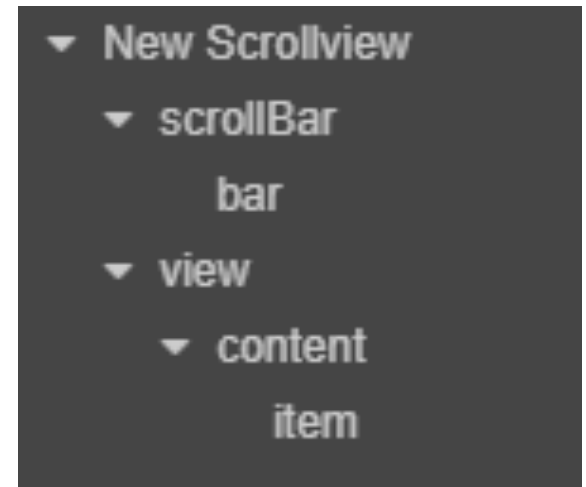


# ScrollView

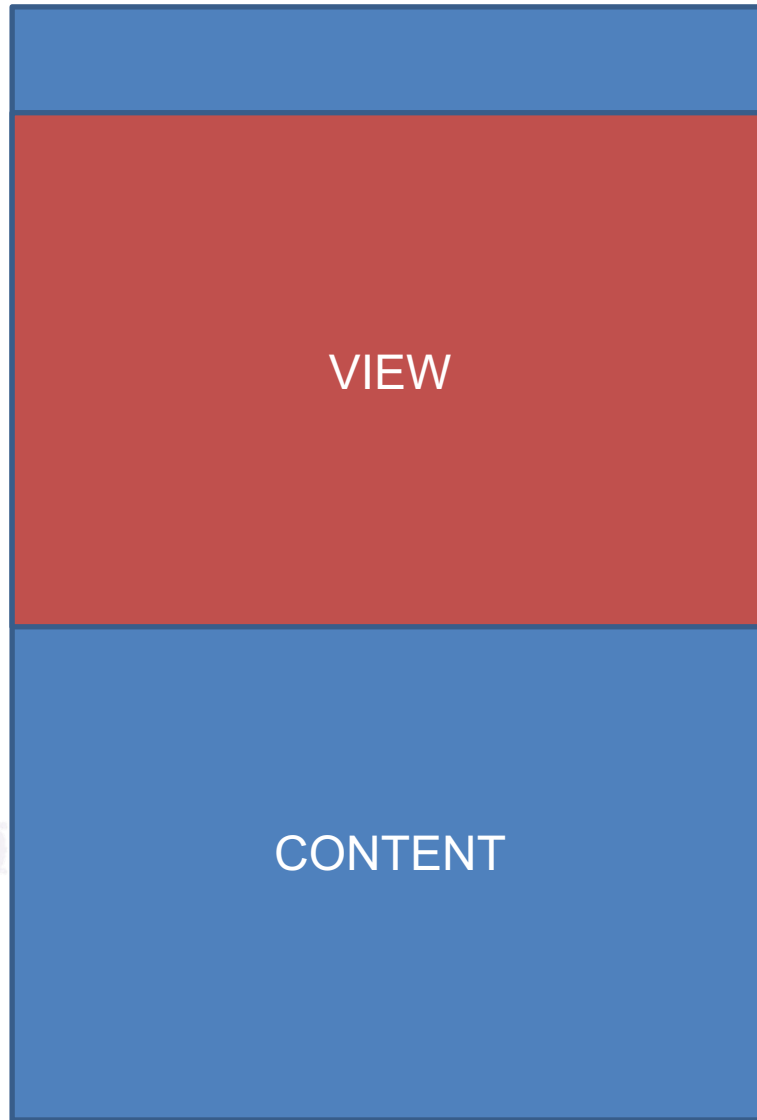


# ScrollView

- Horizontal, Vertical
  - Set scrollview scrolling direction.
- Content
  - Scrollable area.
- View(Mask)
  - Limit the showing area.
- Brake
  - The deceleration coefficient after scrolling.



# Content v.s. View

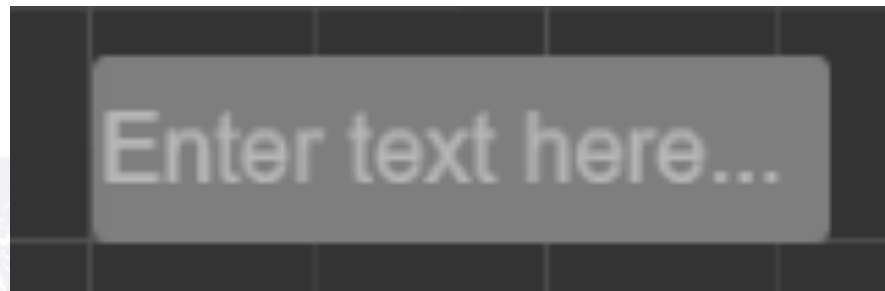


We can only see the content in the **view** area

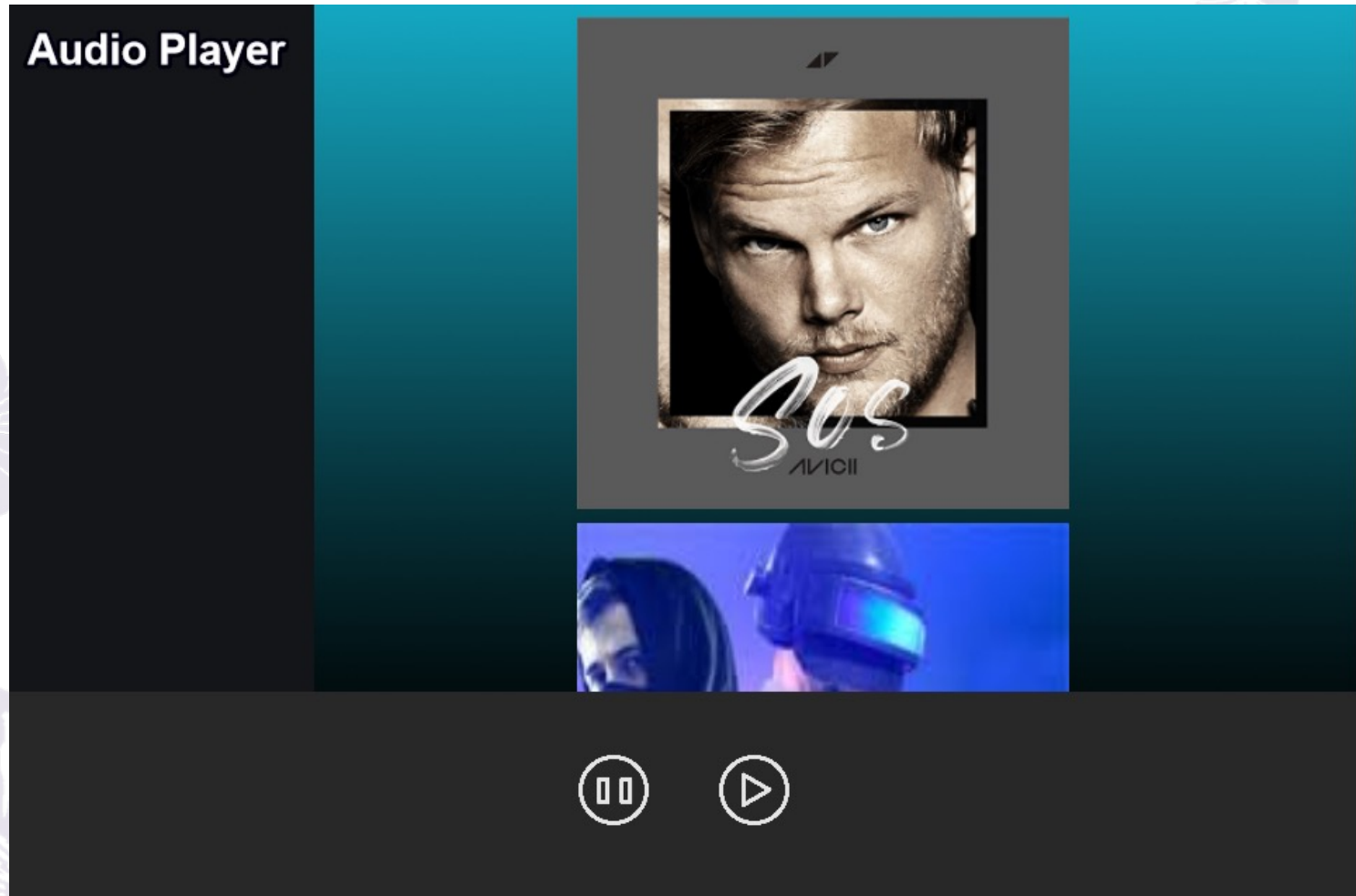


# EditText

- EditText is a **text input** component, you could use this component to get user input easily.

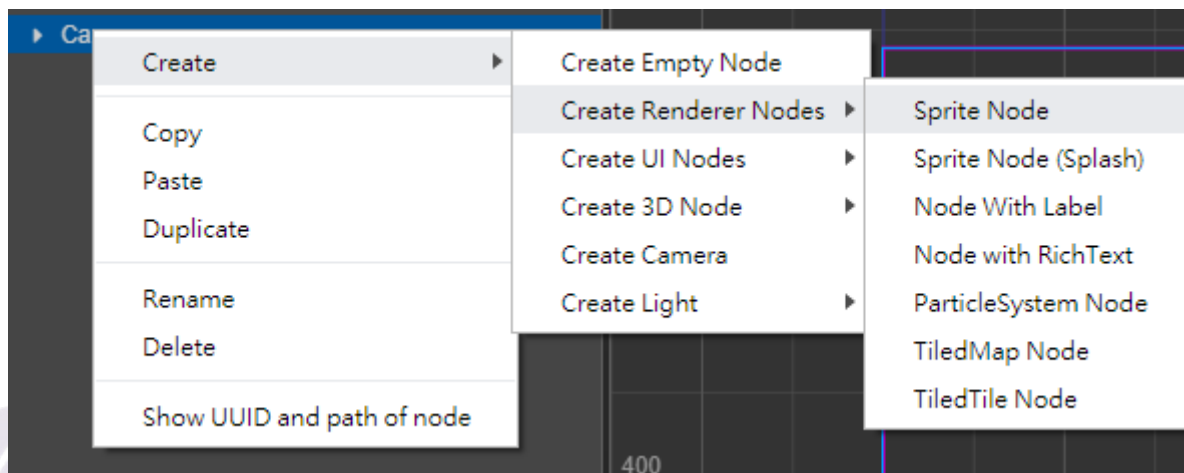


# Simple Music Player



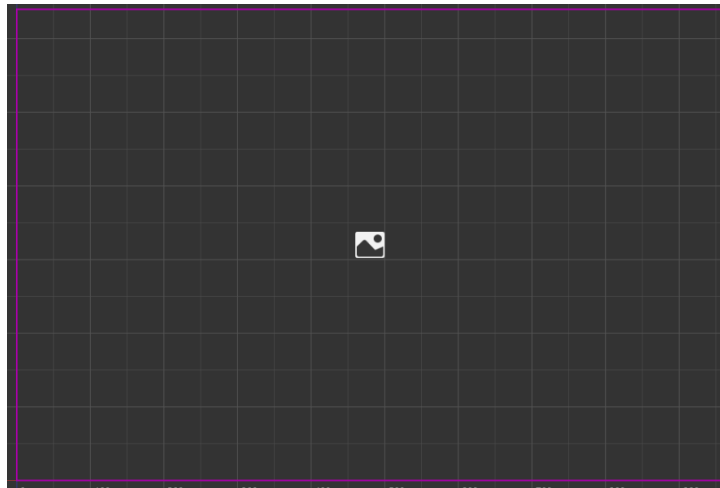
# Create Sprite

- Right-click on the Canvas node of Node Tree [Create] -> [Create Renderer Nodes] -> [Sprite Node]



# Let the Sprite Fill the Canvas

- Sprite node starts with a small picture.

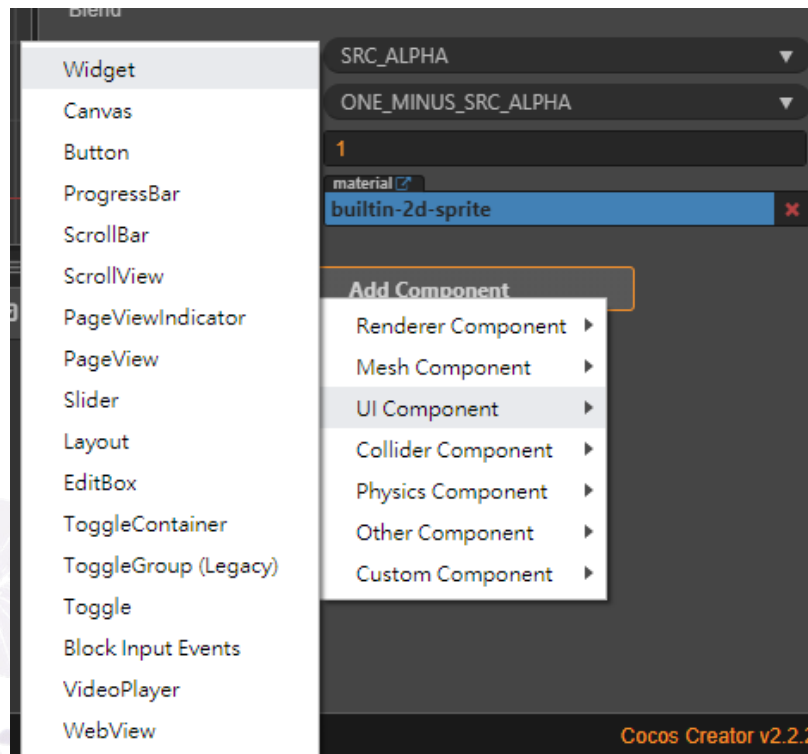


- We want the Sprite node to use our image as source and fill the canvas



# Widget

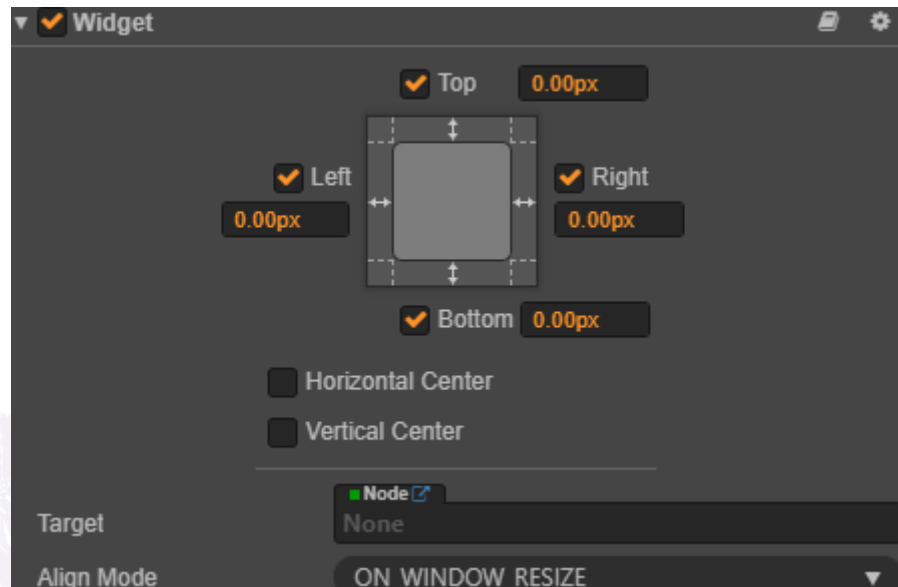
- Add a Widget component to the Sprite node by [Add Component] -> [UI Component] -> [Widget]





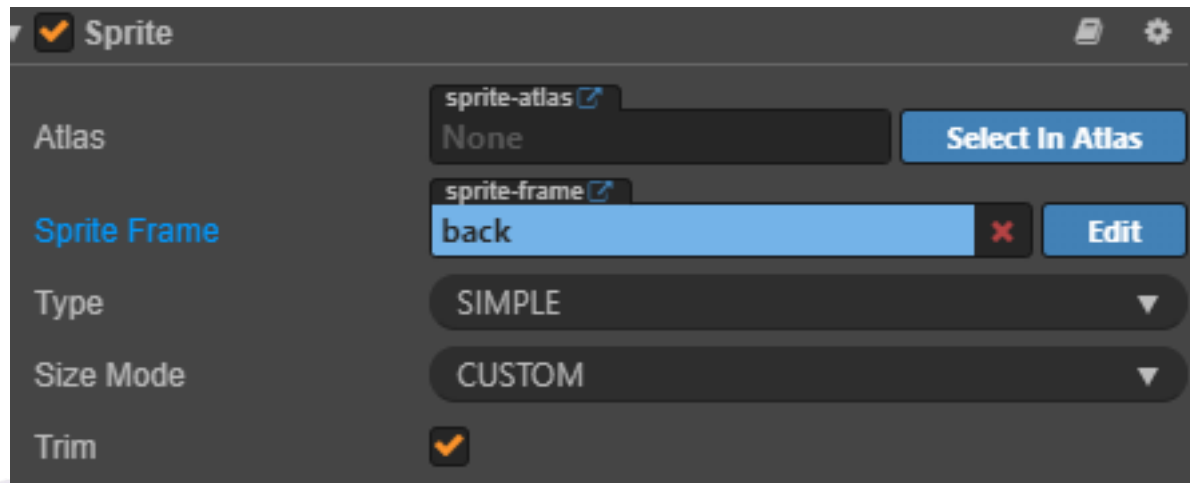
# Widget

- Check Top, Bottom, Right, Left, and set the value to 0. Then the Sprite will match the parent node's size.

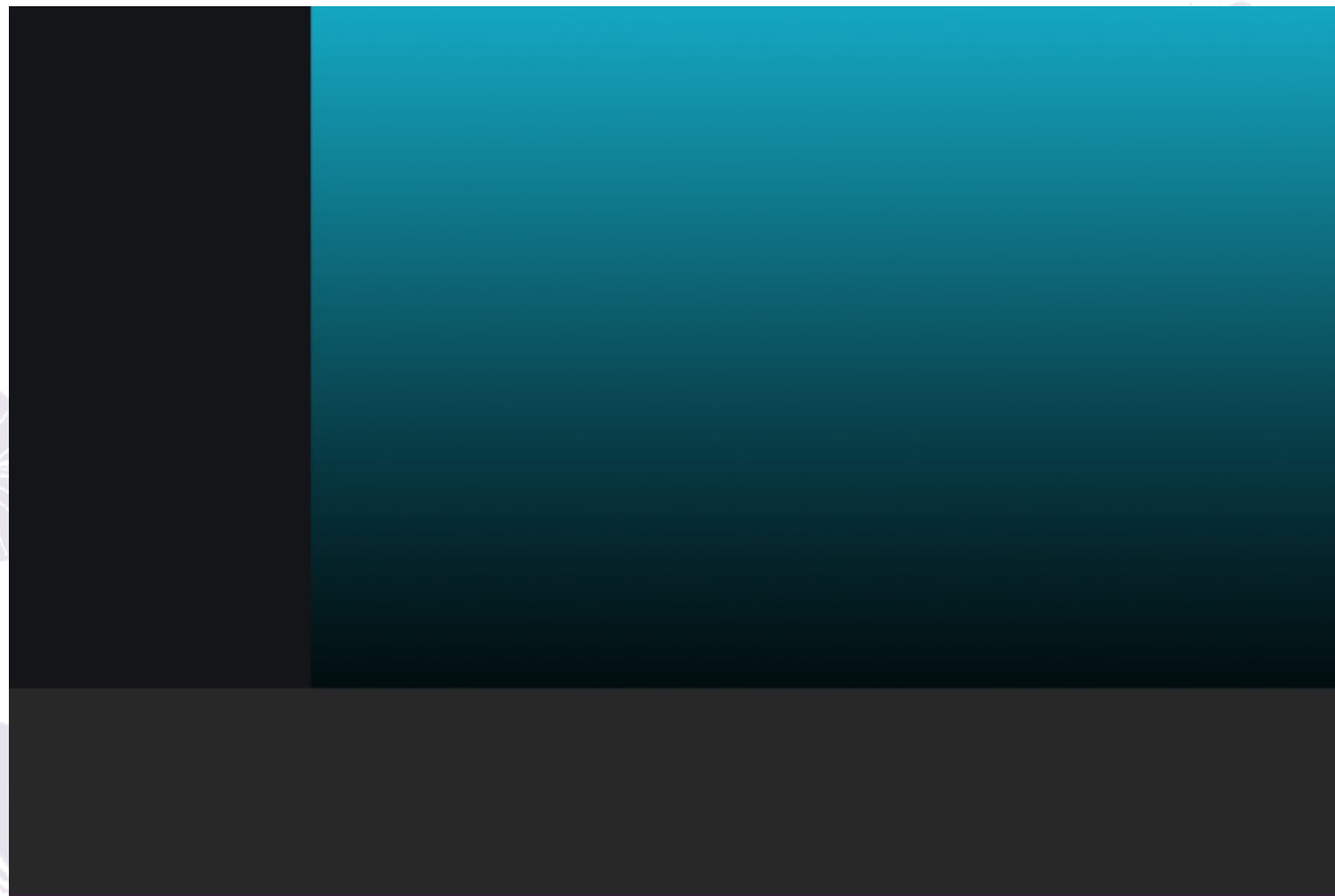


# Replace Sprite Frame

- Replace the Sprite Frame with the image we want to use as the background

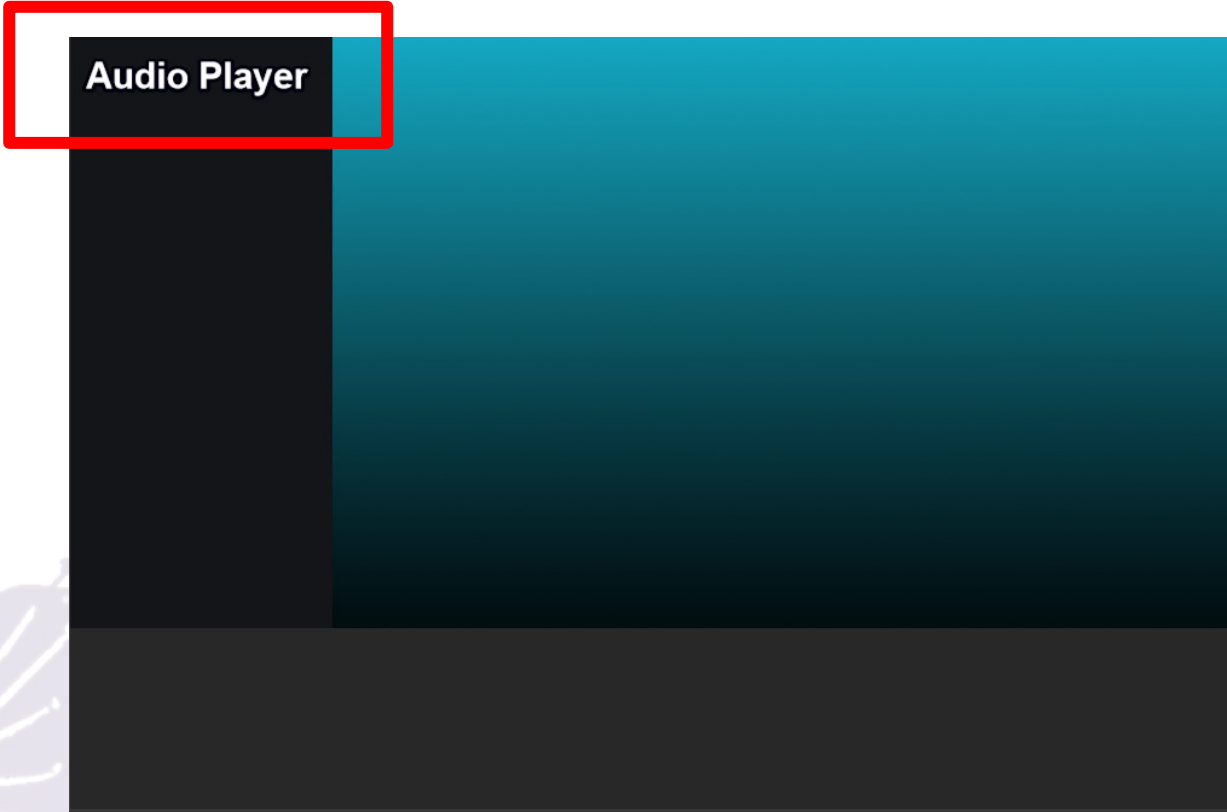


# Background Image



# Add Rich Text

- [Create] -> [Create Renderer Nodes] -> [Node with RichText]

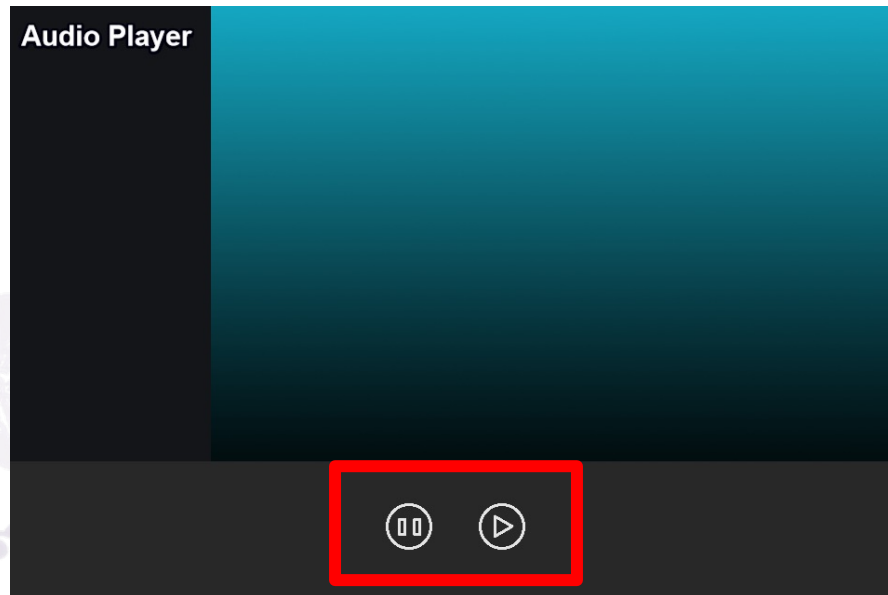


Audio Player



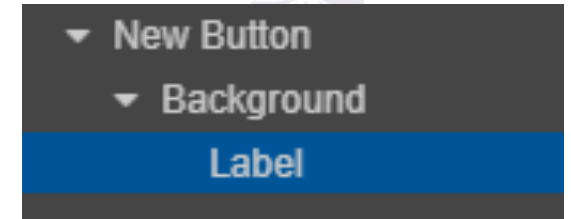
# Button

- Then, we add two buttons to let user play or pause the music. [Create] -> [Create UI Nodes] -> [Node with Button]
- Add **ClickEvents** to the button so that we can call our function by these buttons.



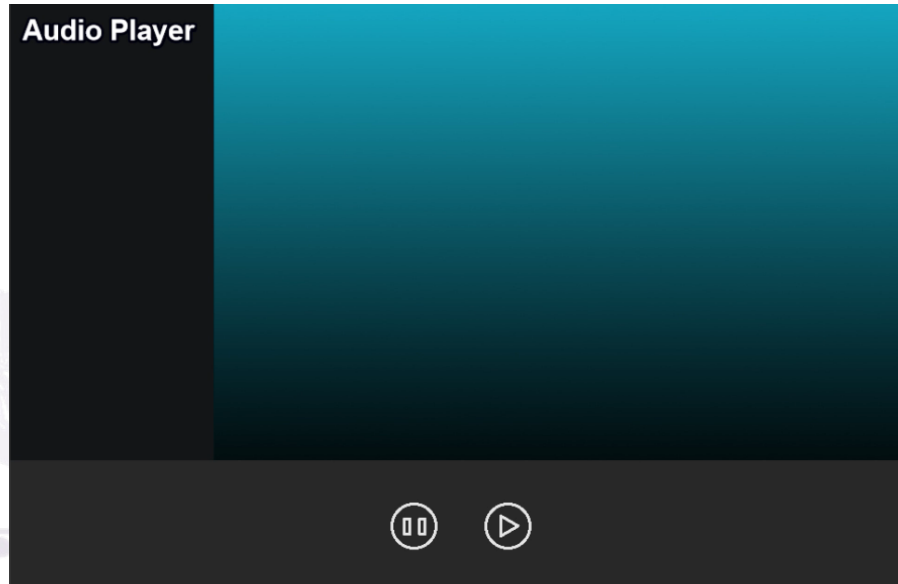
# Change Button Style

- The newly added button node will have two child nodes of background and label by default
  - Change the interaction with the button → New Button
  - Change the background image → Background
  - Change text content → Label
    - You can delete the label node directly if you don't want the text



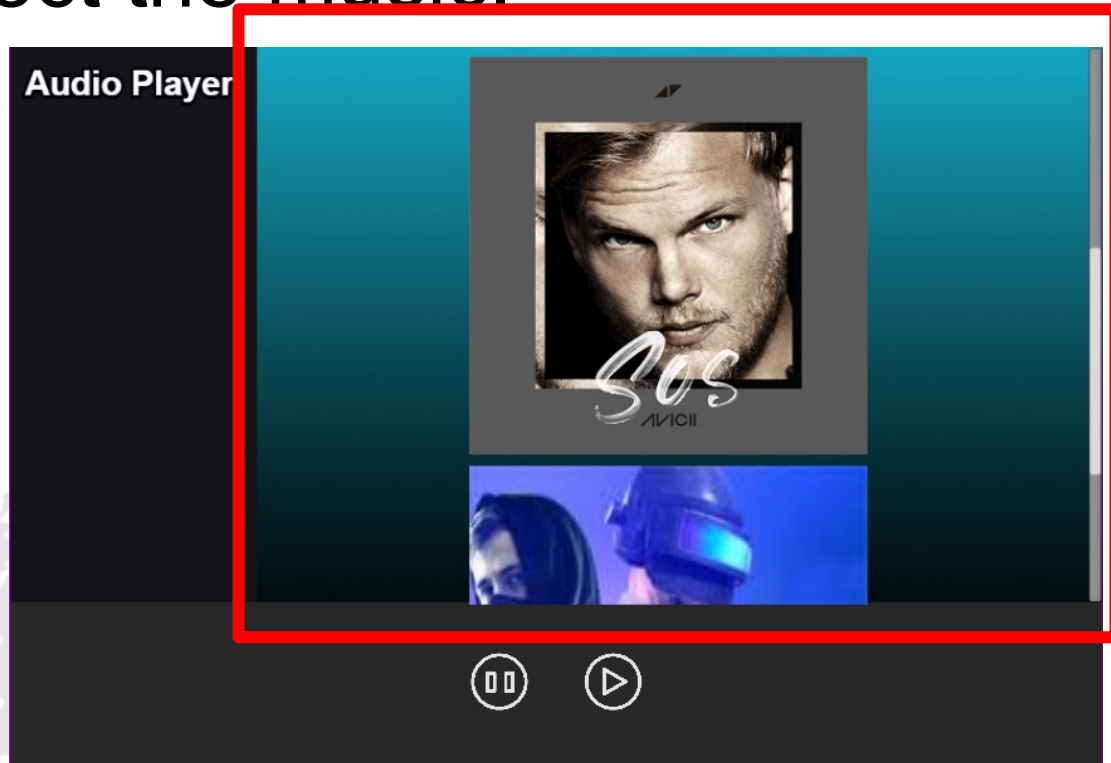
# Change Button Style

- To make our buttons more beautiful, we use other sprites as buttons' background.
- Change one button's transition to *color* and another to *scale*.



# Song Selector

- Here we use **scroll view**, **layout** and **button** to create a small window for user to select the music.

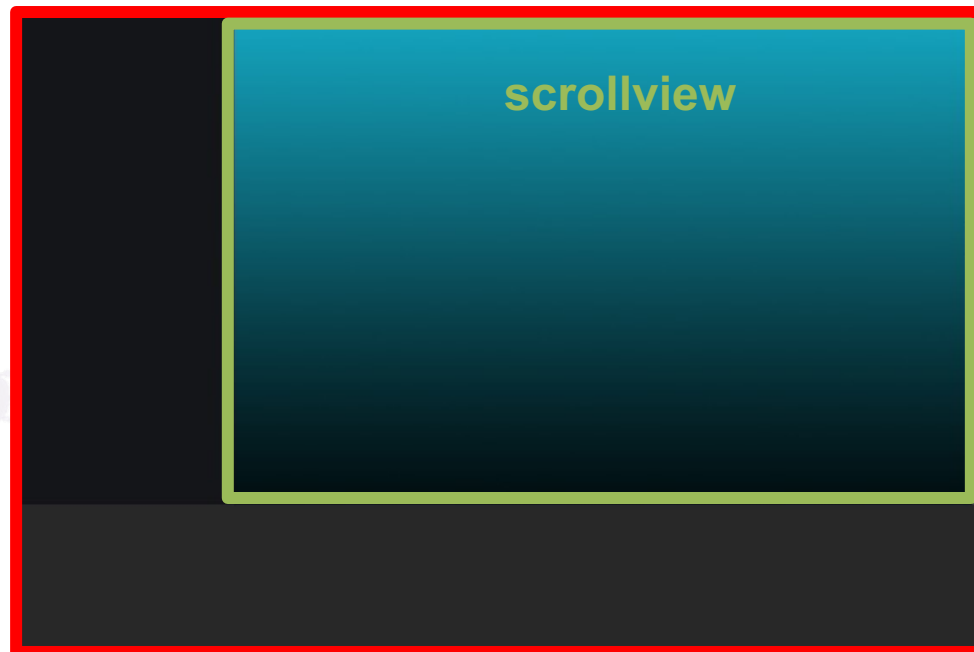




# Song Selector (Cont'd)

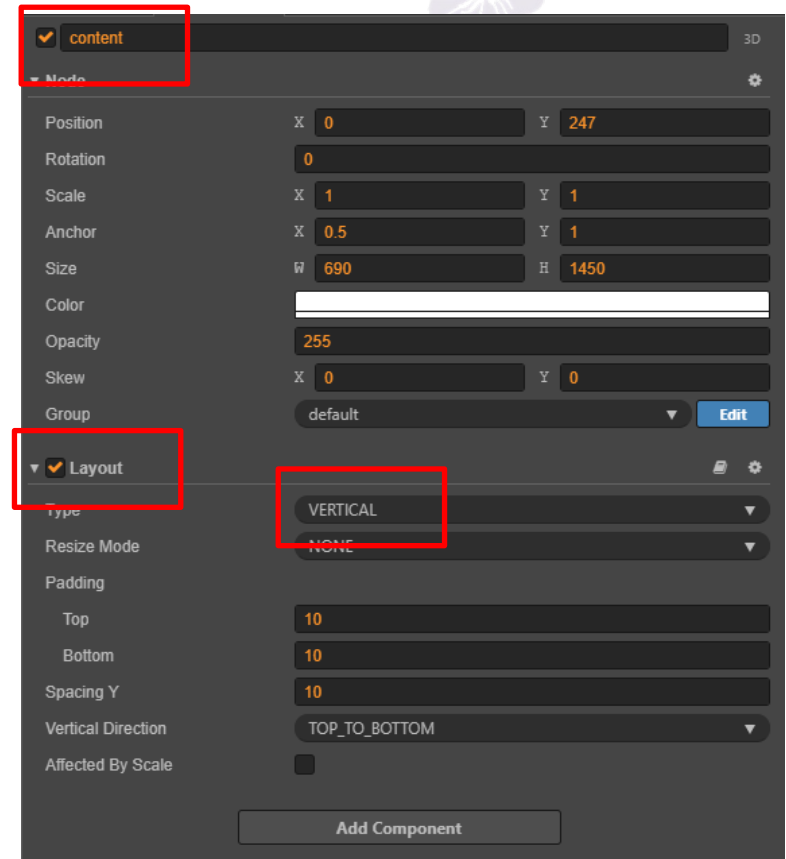
- Create new a scrollview node
- Set the scrollview size to x:742.7 & y:490
- Drag the scollview node to the correspond position

**Background**



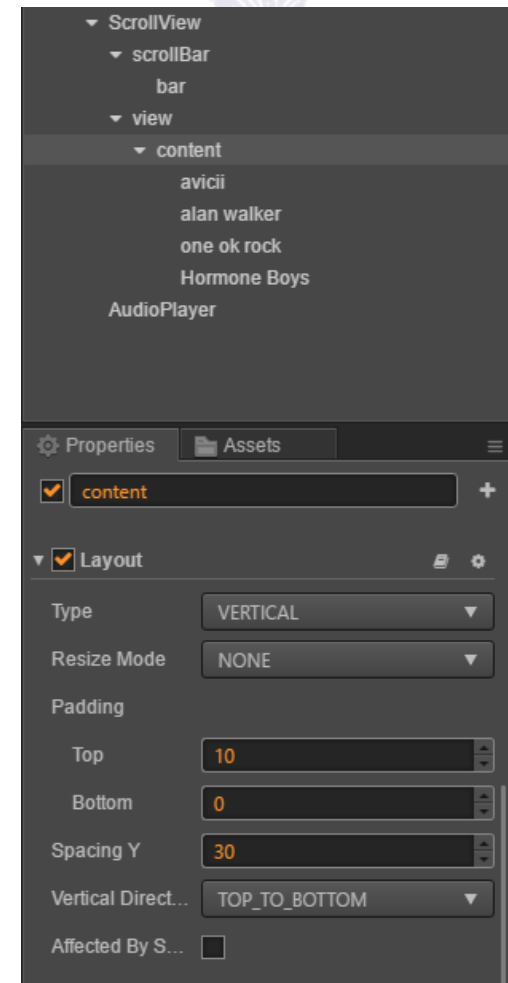
# Song Selector (Cont'd)

- Scroll view and layout let us show more nodes in a limited area easily.
- Add **Layout** component to scroll view's **content** and set it's type as **Vertical**.



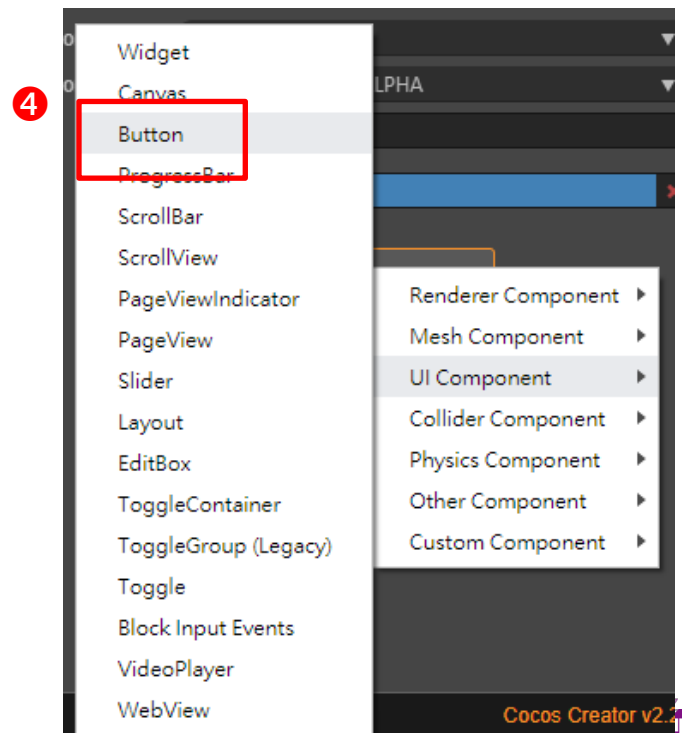
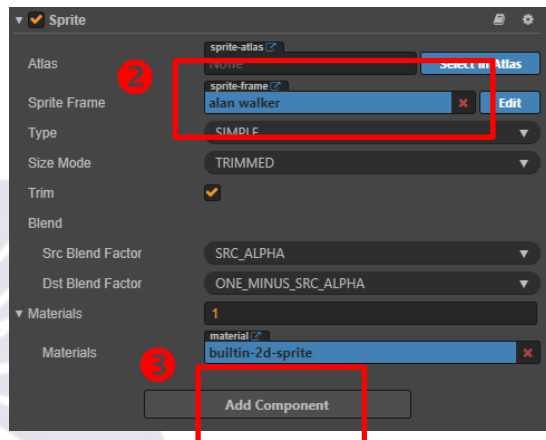
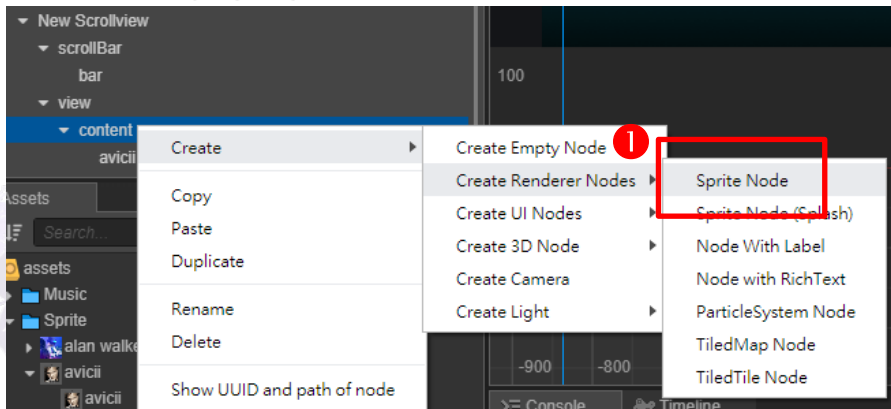
# Song Selector (Cont'd)

- We can modify **SpacingY** to control the interval of each node in this layout.
- Then we can add our sprites into **content** and you will see them arranged vertically.



# Song Selector (Cont'd)

- Add **Button** component which we will use to trigger script to our sprites and play the chosen music.



# BGM and SE

- Most of the games have background music (BGM) or sound effects (SE).
- We can also import audio files in Cocos Creator and play them during game execution
- Cocos Creator can play sound in two ways
  - **AudioSource**
  - **AudioEngine**



# Play Audio in Cocos

- Both **AudioEngine** and **AudioSource** can play audio.
- The difference between them is that **AudioSource** is a **component** that can be added to the scene and set by the editor. **AudioEngine** is a **pure API** provided by the engine and can only be called in scripts



# Play Audio in Cocos

- It is currently recommended to use the **audioEngine.play** interface to play audio uniformly.
- Or you can use two interfaces, **audioEngine.playEffect** and **audioEngine.playMusic**, the former is mainly used to play sound effects, and the latter is mainly used to play background music. See [API documentation](#) for details.



# AudioEngine

- If we want to use AudioEngine to play background music, there are several common methods
  - `cc.audioEngine.playMusic(clip, loop)`
  - `cc.audioEngine.resumeMusic();`
  - `cc.audioEngine.pauseMusic();`





# AudioPlayerController

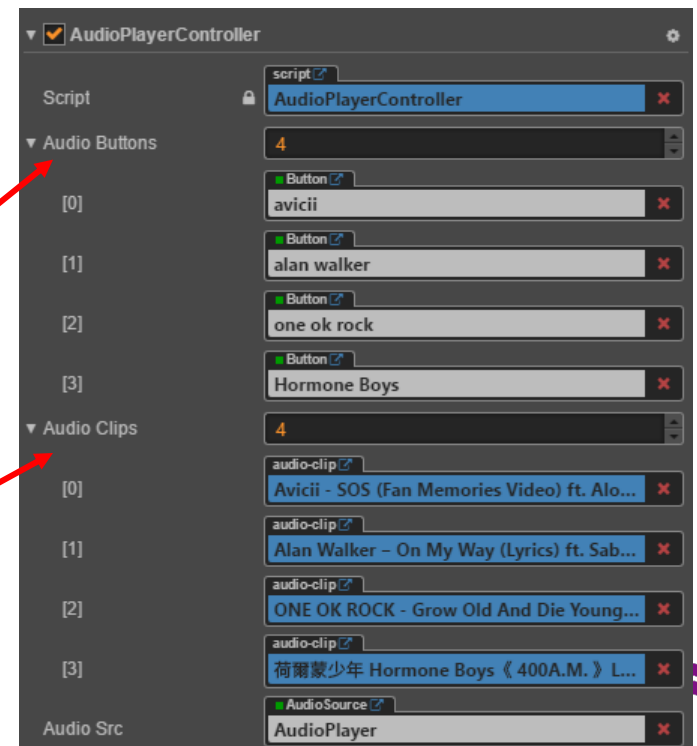
- In our player, we want to play not only one song.
- Hence, we use **Script** to create two arrays to load our music files and their buttons, and mount script on them later.

AudioPlayerController.ts

```
@property([cc.Button])
audioButtons: cc.Button[] = [];

@property({type:cc.AudioClip})
audioClips: cc.AudioClip[] = [];
```

Canvas/AudioPlayerController



# AudioPlayerController

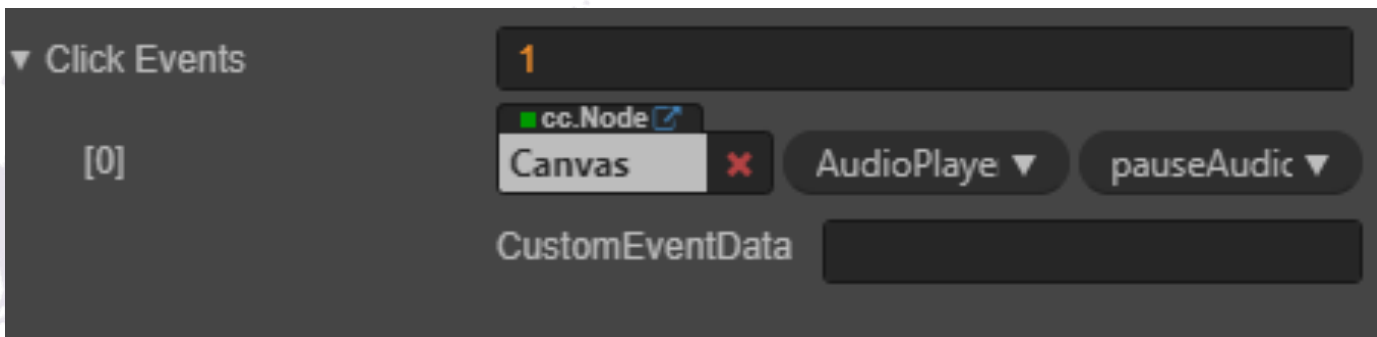
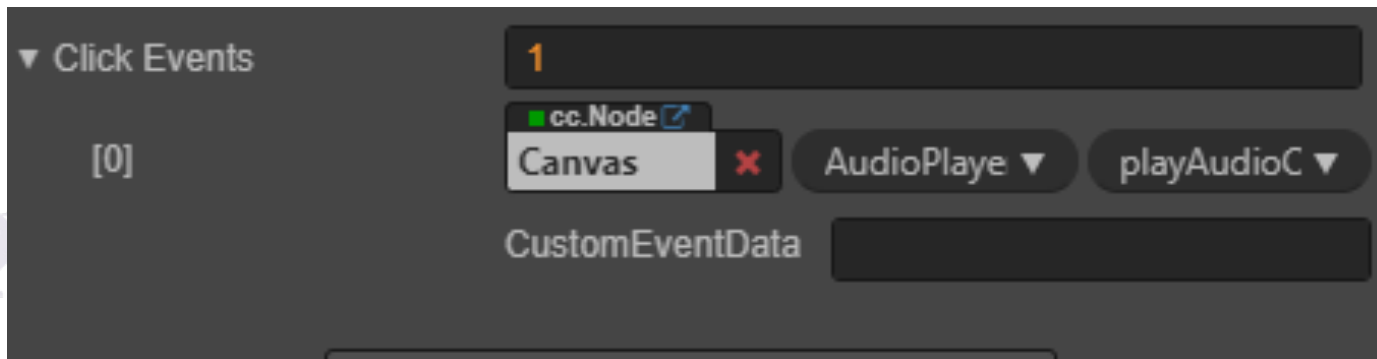
- Create two functions to control music pause and resume.

```
playAudioClip(){  
    cc.audioEngine.resumeMusic();  
}  
pauseAudioClip(){  
    cc.audioEngine.pauseMusic();  
}
```



# AudioPlayerController

- Bind the functions to the click event of the pause and resume buttons



# AudioPlayerController

- Using the dynamic event binding to add clickevent to sprites in the song selector

```
start () {  
    for(var i=0; i<this.audioClips.length; i++){  
        var clickEventHandler = new cc.Component.EventHandler();  
        clickEventHandler.target = this.node;  
        clickEventHandler.component = "AudioPlayerController";  
        clickEventHandler.handler = "changeAudioClip";  
        clickEventHandler.customEventData = "" + i;  
        this.audioButtons[i].clickEvents.push(clickEventHandler);  
    }  
}
```

```
changeAudioClip(event, customEventData){  
    cc.audioEngine.playMusic(this.audioClips[customEventData], false);  
}
```



thank  
you!

Question

