



KImageShop ^wKrayon ^wKrita

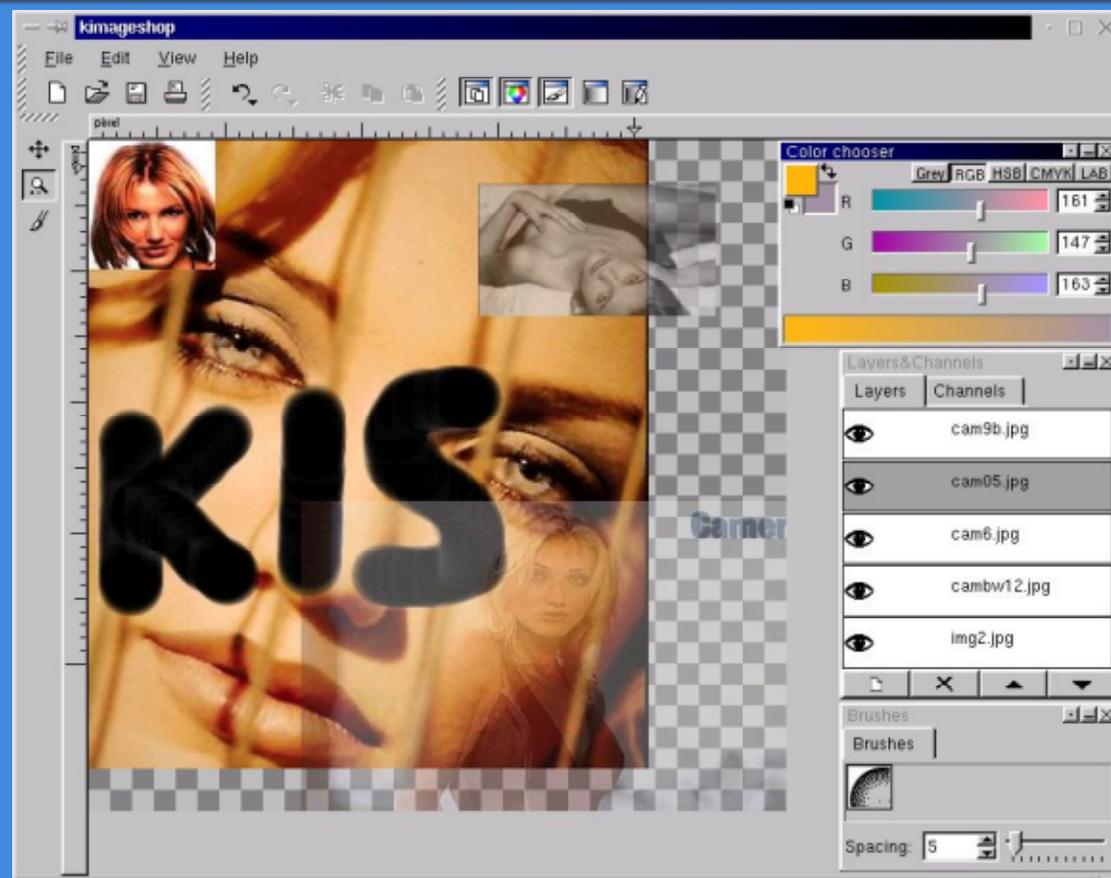
A long time ago...

When hackers still thought nekkid wimmen were the done thing for showing off an app...

And felt a paint app could be done in a month or six....

We're talking 1999 here...

Practically *prehistory*



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KImageShop

All right... It started earlier...

In *1998*

With the *Kimp* fiasco

I haven't got screenshots of *that...*

And I haven't got anything to do with it.

Let's just NOT talk about it, shall we?

Bygones be bygones and all that.

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KImage Shop

But in 1999, May 24th, to be exact...

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List:      kde-devel
Subject:   KImage Shop? [was:Re: K abiword port]
From:     Matthias Ettrich <ettrich () troll ! no>
Date:     1999-05-24 14:24:34
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...

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If someone here is interested, maybe it would just be the best
to start a kimage shop from scratch. The internal data structure
may be designed similar, so that it would be possible to run
unmodified gimp-plugins with it
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KImageShop

Which led to...

List: kde-devel
Subject: KImageShop project started
From: Matthias Elter <me () main-echo ! net>
Date: 1999-05-31 12:30:42

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You perhaps remember the KIMP/KImageShop discussion that recently took place on this mailinglist. I'm happy to announce that Michael Koch (KImage), and myself (Matthias Elter, KHelpCenter) have started an image manipulation application called KImageShop.

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And so KImageShop got started, for real!



KimageShop

And the plans were ambitious, already:

- * **Based on KOM (dcop avant-la-lettre)**

 - * **XML-based file format**

 - * **RGB**

 - * **CMYK**

- * **Compatible with Gimp plugins**

 - * **Scriptable with Python**

- * **Based on an ImageMagick core**

 - * **Multi-threading**

 - * **16/bit channel images**

We're still not there!

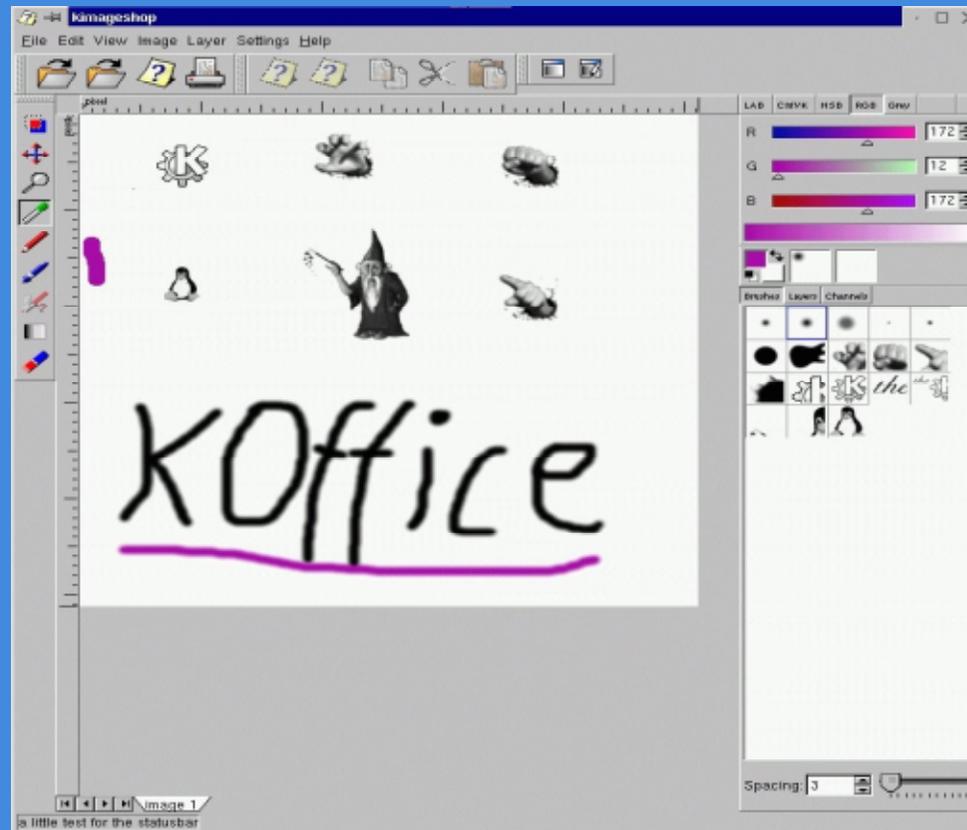


KimageShop

**Development
took off!**

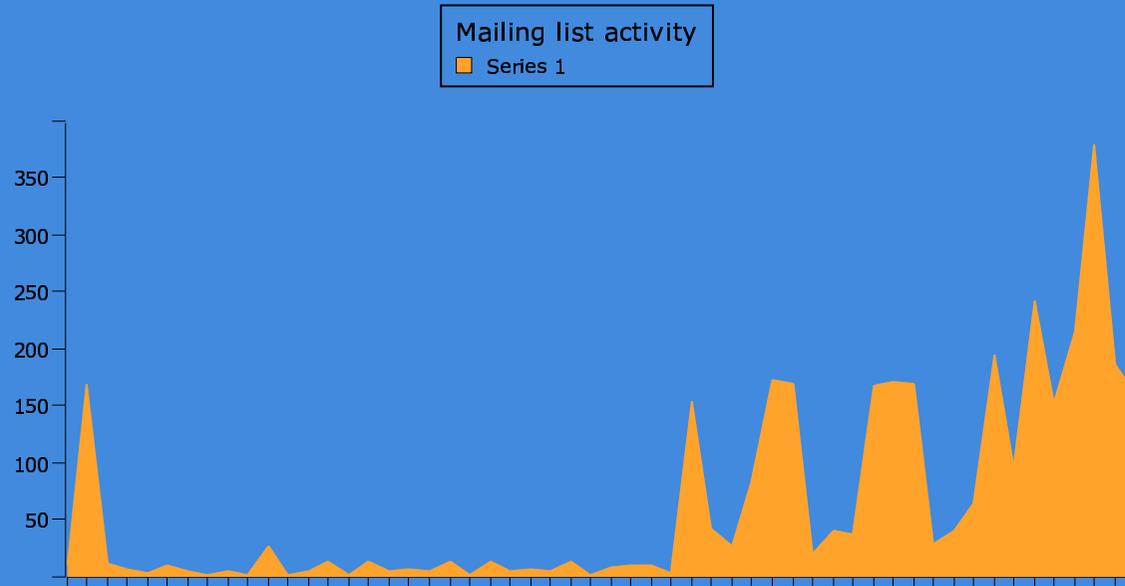
**Carsten Pfeiffer,
Matthias Elter,
Michael Koch...**

**But by October
1999,
development had
all but
stopped.**





Which was going to be a recurring pattern.





KImageShop

So, we fast-forward to August 2000:

List: kde-kimageshop
Subject: KImageShop development
From: Torp <torp () mail ! dntis ! Ro>

Hello fellow developers,

I am one of the programmers hired by The Kompany.com to help speed the KOffice development process.

If no one objects, we are going to go ahead and get KImageShop finished.

Although nothing much happened...



KimageShop

One month
later...

**John Califf
gets
working.**

There is still
quite a bit of his
code in Krita....

**A man with
taste in
paintings.**



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KimageShop^WKrayon

KimageShop becomes Krayon

John Califf didn't stay for long...

Patrick Julien arrives on the scene.

January 2002: Günther Frhr von Gravenreuth objects to the new name...

**Because there's a website selling e-cards called
crayon.de**

**So, Krayon becomes Krita — Swedish for
“drawing”**

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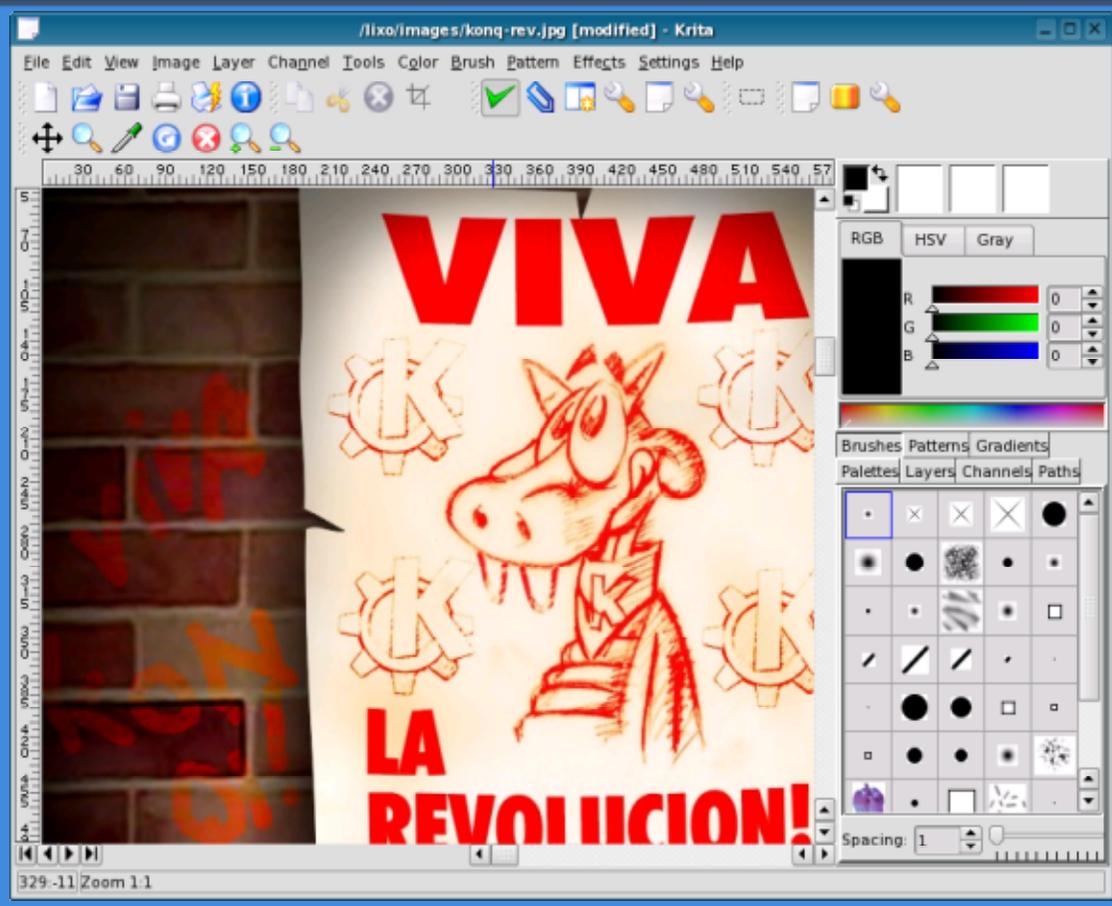


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Patrick Julien
redesigns
Krita's
architecture.

His design is
still what
defines Krita.

Not that we could
actually *paint*
already.



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Krita

In 2003, nothing happened — until October.

It started with a small Wacom tablet.

Then A small band of hackers gathered...

Me, Adrian, Cyrille, Sven, Casper, Michael...

**At first guided by Patrick's wisdom,
We were soon on our own.**

And in 2005, we were almost ready to release

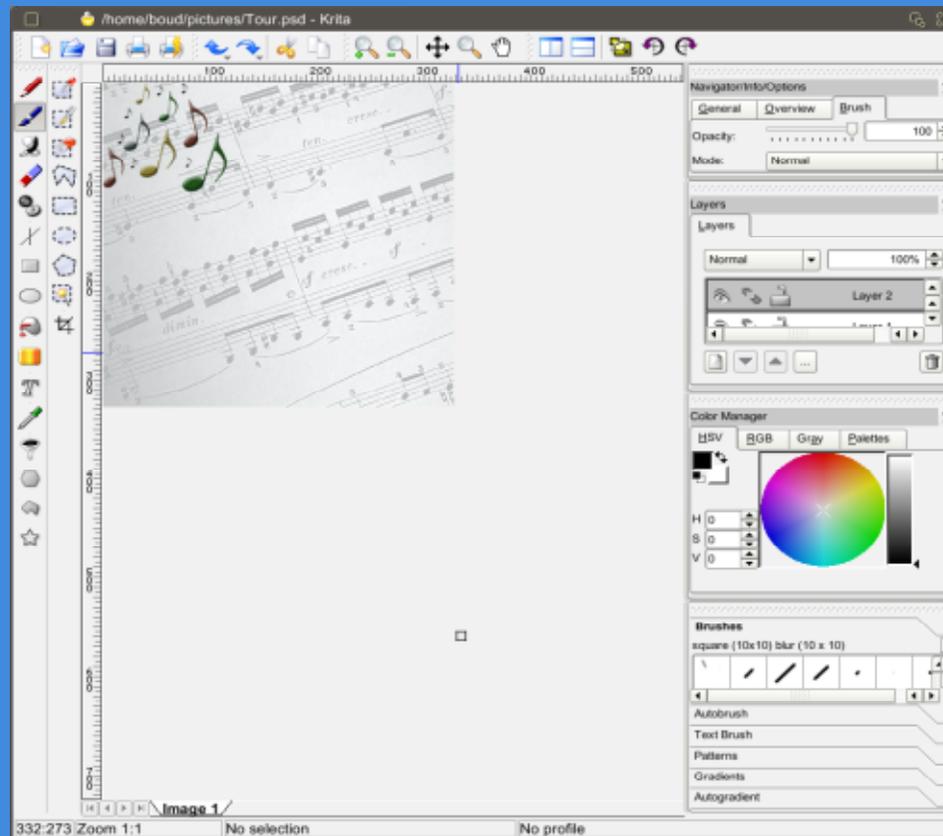
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Krita

1.4 has:

- * RGB
- * Gray
- * Filters
- * xcf, psd, png, tiff, jpeg...
- * Selections
- * Many tools
- * Layers
- * Tablet support
- * Color management
- * Lots of bugs



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Krita

But the *next* version has

- * CMYK, RGB, GRAY, XYZ, Watercolors**
- * 8, 16 or 32 bits/channel**
- * openEXR support**
- * Even more color management**
- * Scripting**
- * A full dcop interface**
- * Channel separations**
- * Adjustment with curves**
- * More filters**

Time for showing off!

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Krita



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