



Shake Away 2021 with MatrixPortal

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Shake away those 2021 blues with a MatrixPortal project that will help you celebrate the end of one year, and the bright-and-shiny promise of a new year!

Here are a couple of pre-compiled .UF2 files. To install, connect MatrixPortal to computer with USB cable. Double-tap the reset button, wait for **MATRIXBOOT** drive to appear and drag one of the .UF2 files to **MATRIXBOOT**.

Both start with “2021” on the matrix. With a quick shake, it’s reduced to pixel sand.

The first of these UF2s then switches to the glimmering “2022” after a few seconds of sand (**six seconds** from the shake, if you’re counting down to midnight). Tap the reset button to start over.

2021-2022-Sand.UF2

<https://adafru.it/XmA>

The other UF2 instead returns to 2021 and watches for another shake:

2021-Sand.UF2

<https://adafru.it/XmB>

Here’s an earlier 2020–2021 animation...there are settings in the code so it can be updated each year.



If you'd like to check out the code, [it's based off of the Protomatter Pixeldust demo \(https://adafru.it/PCg\)](https://adafru.it/PCg), where we use a bitmap of the year’s text for the pixels.

Click **Download Project Zip** in the embed below to get both the Arduino sketch and the extra files that store the bitmaps.

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// SPDX-FileCopyrightText: 2020 Limor Fried for Adafruit Industries
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#include <Adafruit_LIS3DH.h> // For accelerometer
#include <Adafruit_PixelDust.h> // For simulation
#include <Adafruit_Protomatter.h> // For LED matrix
#include "2020.h" // 2020 bitmap data
#include "2021.h" // 2021 bitmap data
#include "2022.h" // etc.
#include "2023.h"
#include "2024.h"
#include "2025.h"
#include "2026.h"

#define BITMAP_WIDTH 64 // All the year bitmaps are a fixed size
#define BITMAP_HEIGHT 32
#define THIS_YEAR_BITMAP bitmap_2021 // Name of current/next year bitmap
#define NEXT_YEAR_BITMAP bitmap_2022 // arrays in header files

bool show_new_year = true;

#define SHAKE_ACCEL_G 2.9 // Force (in Gs) to
trigger shake
#define SHAKE_ACCEL_MS2 (SHAKE_ACCEL_G * 9.8) // Convert to m/s^2
#define SHAKE_ACCEL_SQ (SHAKE_ACCEL_MS2 * SHAKE_ACCEL_MS2) // Avoid sqrt() in
accel check
#define SHAKE_EVENTS 30 // Number of accel
readings to trigger sand
#define SHAKE_PERIOD 2000 // Period (in ms) when
SHAKE_EVENTS must happen
#define SAND_TIME 6000 // Time (in ms) to run
simulation before restarting

#if defined(_VARIANT_MATRIXPORTAL_M4_) // MatrixPortal M4
uint8_t rgbPins[] = {7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12};
uint8_t addrPins[] = {17, 18, 19, 20, 21};
uint8_t clockPin = 14;
uint8_t latchPin = 15;
uint8_t oePin = 16;
#else // MatrixPortal ESP32-S3
uint8_t rgbPins[] = {42, 41, 40, 38, 39, 37};
uint8_t addrPins[] = {35, 36, 48, 45, 21};
uint8_t clockPin = 2;
uint8_t latchPin = 47;
uint8_t oePin = 14;
#endif

// 64x32 pixel matrix, 6-bit depth
Adafruit_Protomatter matrix(
  64, 6, 1, rgbPins, 4, addrPins, clockPin, latchPin, oePin, true);

Adafruit_LIS3DH accel = Adafruit_LIS3DH(); // Accelerometer

#define MAX_FPS 60 // Maximum redraw rate, frames/second
uint32_t prevTime = 0; // For frames-per-second throttle
uint16_t n_grains = 0; // Number of sand grains (counted on startup)
Adafruit_PixelDust *sand; // Sand object (allocated in setup())

// Error handler used by setup()
void err(int x) {
  uint8_t i;
  pinMode(LED_BUILTIN, OUTPUT); // Using onboard LED
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for(i=1;;i++) {
    digitalWrite(LED_BUILTIN, i & 1); // LED on/off blink to alert user
    delay(x);
}
}

// SETUP - RUNS ONCE AT PROGRAM START -----

void setup(void) {
    uint8_t i, j, bytes;
    Serial.begin(115200);
    //while (!Serial);

    ProtomatterStatus status = matrix.begin();
    Serial.printf("Protomatter begin() status: %d\n", status);

    // Count number of 'on' pixels (sand grains) in THIS_YEAR_BITMAP
    for (int i=0; i<sizeof(THIS_YEAR_BITMAP); i++) {
        for (int b=0; b<8; b++) {
            if (THIS_YEAR_BITMAP[i] & (1 << b)) {
                n_grains++;
            }
        }
    }
    Serial.printf("Bitmap has %d grains\n", n_grains);

    // Allocate sand object based on matrix size and bitmap 'on' pixels
    sand = new Adafruit_PixelDust(matrix.width(), matrix.height(), n_grains, 1);
    if (!sand->begin()) {
        Serial.println("Couldn't start sand");
        err(1000); // Slow blink = malloc error
    }

    if (!accel.begin(0x19)) {
        Serial.println("Couldn't find accelerometer");
        err(250); // Fast blink = I2C error
    }
    Serial.println("Accelerometer OK");
    accel.setRange(LIS3DH_RANGE_8_G);
}

void loop() {
    Serial.print("Tick");
    uint16_t sandColor = show_new_year ? 0xF800 : 0xFFFF; // Red or white

    // Set initial sand pixel positions and draw initial matrix state
    sand->clear();
    matrix.fillScreen(0);
    int grain = 0, pixel = 0; // Sand grain and pixel indices
    for (int i=0; i<sizeof(THIS_YEAR_BITMAP); i++) {
        for (int b=0; b<8; b++, pixel++) {
            if (THIS_YEAR_BITMAP[i] & (1 << (7-b))) {
                int x = pixel % BITMAP_WIDTH;
                int y = pixel / BITMAP_WIDTH;
                //Serial.printf("Set pixel %d @ (%d, %d)\n", grain, x, y);
                sand->setPosition(grain++, x, y);
                matrix.drawPixel(x, y, sandColor);
            }
        }
    }
    matrix.show();

    // Wait for shake
    uint32_t first_event_time = millis() - SHAKE_PERIOD * 2, last_event_time =
    first_event_time;
    uint8_t num_events = 0;
    sensors_event_t event;
    for (;;) {
        uint32_t t = millis(); // Current time

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accel.getEvent(&event);
float mag2 = event.acceleration.x * event.acceleration.x +
             event.acceleration.y * event.acceleration.y +
             event.acceleration.z * event.acceleration.z;
if (mag2 >= SHAKE_ACCEL_SQ) { // Accel exceeds shake threshold
  if ((t - last_event_time) > SHAKE_PERIOD) { // Long time since last event?
    first_event_time = t; // Start of new count
    num_events = 1;
  } else if ((t - first_event_time) < SHAKE_PERIOD) { // Still in shake
interval?
  if (++num_events >= SHAKE_EVENTS) { // Enough events?
    break;
  }
}
  last_event_time = t;
}
}

// Run sand simulation for a few seconds
uint32_t elapsed, sandStartTime = millis();

while((elapsed = (millis() - sandStartTime)) < SAND_TIME) {

  // Limit the animation frame rate to MAX_FPS.
  uint32_t t;
  while(((t = micros()) - prevTime) < (1000000L / MAX_FPS));
  prevTime = t;

  // Read accelerometer...
  sensors_event_t event;
  accel.getEvent(&event);

  // Run one frame of the simulation
  sand->iterate(event.acceleration.x * 1024, event.acceleration.y * 1024,
event.acceleration.z * 1024);

  if (elapsed > SAND_TIME * 3 / 4) {
    float scale = 1.0 - (float)(elapsed - (SAND_TIME * 3 / 4)) / (float)
(SAND_TIME / 4);
    if (scale < 0.0) scale = 0.0;
    else if (scale > 1.0) scale = 1.0;
    scale = pow(scale, 2.6);
    uint16_t rb = (int)(31.0 * scale + 0.5);
    uint16_t g = (int)(63.0 * scale + 0.5);
    if (show_new_year)
      sandColor = (rb * 0b100000000000); // Just show red
    else
      sandColor = (rb * 0b100000000001) + (g << 5);
  }

  // Update pixel data in LED driver
  matrix.fillScreen(0);
  dimension_t x, y;
  for(int i=0; i<n_grains ; i++) {
    sand->getPosition(i, &x, &y);
    matrix.drawPixel(x, y, sandColor);
  }
  matrix.show();
}

// If the show_new_year flag is set, don't return to shake detect,
// instead switch to sparkly display forever (reset to start over)
if (show_new_year) {
  uint16_t frame = 0;
  matrix.fillScreen(0);
  for(;;) {
    int pixel = 0;
    for (int i=0; i<sizeof(NEXT_YEAR_BITMAP); i++) {
      for (int b=0; b<8; b++, pixel++) {

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        if (NEXT_YEAR_BITMAP[i] & (1 << (7-b))) {
            int x = pixel % BITMAP_WIDTH;
            int y = pixel / BITMAP_WIDTH;
            matrix.drawPixel(x, y, (random() & 1) ? (((x - y + frame) / 8) & 1) ?
0xFFFF : 0x001F) : 0);
        }
    }
}
matrix.show();
delay(18);
frame++;
}
}
}

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The year bitmaps started as 64x32 pixel PNG images that were converted to C header files through the [media2array.py](https://adafru.it/XmC) (<https://adafru.it/XmC>) Python script.