

## **Monaca Adds Chrome Apps Support**

### **Product News**

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Monaca, the HTML5 hybrid app development platform, has added Chrome Apps support. With this new functionality, Monaca now supports iOS, Android, Windows 8, Kindle Fire, and Chrome Apps, providing developers with wide, cross-platform capabilities when building their hybrid applications. Now just a simple pulldown menu option in Monaca allows you to build for Chrome Apps.

"At Google I/O 2014 this week, Google showed how Chromebook ranks in the Top 10 of notebook reputation and is rapidly increasing its share. Adding Chrome Apps support allows your app to run on Chromebooks and traditional desktop environments, with the same source code as iOS and Android apps," said Masahiro Tanaka, CEO of Monaca. "We're also very excited that Google chose Cordova to bring Chrome Apps to mobile. It's more proof of what a strong technology Cordova really is."

Chrome Apps are similar to their web app counterparts, being written in HTML5, JavaScript, and CSS and sharing the safety of a web page. A huge difference is found in their native-like capabilities that are more powerful than web apps. Chrome Apps always load locally taking away the dependence on the network and have access to Chrome APIs and services that are not available to traditional websites.

To sign up for a free version of Monaca with the new Chrome Apps support: <http://monaca.mobi>