



Adobe ILLUSTRATOR CS4 ADVANCED

1 Day Course

Adobe Illustrator is the industry-leading vector graphics software that enables you to produce extraordinary graphics for print, video, the web, and mobile devices. It is a very sophisticated graphics program capable of creating complex illustrations and type effects. This Advanced course will expand your basic Illustrator skills and can be tailored for specific needs.

Who should attend?

Graphic/Web designers, or people transitioning into design related jobs who need to create illustrations, logos, maps, graphs, diagrams, advertisements, or other graphic documents. They will have some previous experience with Illustrator and be able to confidently use the pen tool to create vector shapes. They may already use InDesign, Photoshop and Flash.

The course runs from 9.30 am to approximately 4.00 pm. The course content is a general outline only and if required can be varied to meet your specific needs.

COURSE CONTENT

Creating Complex Illustrations

- Advanced Pen, Pencil and Brush techniques
- Create Shapes Using the Pathfinder Commands
- Create Compound Paths
- Offset Paths
- Apply Effects
- Apply Graphic Styles
- Create Symbols
- Organize Objects with Layers
- Modify Global Colours
- Envelope distort
- Create Masks
- Create Blends
- Using Opacity and Opacity Masks

Gradient Mesh tool

- Using the Gradient Mesh tool
- Creating sophisticated shading with the gradient mesh tool

Live Trace and Live Paint

- Live Trace an existing piece of artwork
- Adjust the Results of a Tracing
- Apply a Custom Preset
- Convert a Tracing Object to Paths
- Live Paint an object

Advanced Type Options

- Importing type
- Creating and using Styles
- Linking text boxes
- Creating text wrap
- Using OpenType
- The Glyphs Palette
- Type Effects

Creating Graphs

- The Graph Tool
- Creating Graphs
- Formatting Graphs

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WHAT WILL I LEARN?

- How to create complex illustrations and graphics for print, web, interactive, mobile and motion designs.
- How to use Illustrator's powerful drawing tools.
- Advanced effects including 3D.
- Illustrator integration with InDesign, Photoshop and Flash.



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COURSE CONTENT

Creating 3D Objects

- Extrude, Revolve and Rotate
- Applying 3D effects to shapes
- Lighting and Shading options
- 3D Isometric artwork
- 3D Perspective
- Map artwork to a 3D object

Saving and Exporting Options

- Creative Suite Integration
- Create an Adobe PDF File
- Save for Microsoft Office

Exporting Graphics for Web & Devices

- Convert Colours to Web-Safe Colours
 - Create Slices
 - Export and Optimize Web Graphics
 - Export images and symbols to Flash
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