

Course overview:

Freehand MX Advanced

(S582eng, 1-day)



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Overview and objectives

After completing this one-day course, students will know how to:

Modify the shape of images by using the Fisheye Lens and Shadow tools, and the transparency effect; create different effects by using the 3D Rotation tool, the Bevel and Emboss tool, and the Perspective Grid; create and modify blends by using the Blend tool; and smudge objects by using the Smudge tool.

Modify paths by using the Bend, Add Points, and Roughen tools; use the Knife tool to divide paths; join paths and make slits; and mask paths by using the Paste Contents command.

Create an additional page, and navigate and rearrange pages by using the Add Pages button; attach a URL to a document by using the Navigation panel, and publish a document on the Web by using the Publish as HTML feature.

Examine the PostScript and non-Postscript printers and print documents by using the Output Area tool; overprint images, gradient fills, and inks by using the Overprint option.

Import single-page and multi-page documents by using the Import option; export a FreeHand document as a bitmap, an EPS, and a text file by using the Export option, and create an animation by using the Release to Layers option.

Set Flash Export options by using the Export option, and view a document in Flash Player; set the attributes of a Flash movie and edit an imported Flash movie; and import PNG files, and use Fireworks to edit and optimize imported bitmap images.

Who should attend?

You should have basic knowledge of FreeHand MX gained through experience or attendance on a FreeHand MX Intermediate course. Students should be comfortable using a personal computer and Windows 98 or later. Students will get the most out of this course if their goal is to use FreeHand MX as a tool to become proficient graphics professionals and to create efficient and cost-effective illustrations for print and the Web.

Modifying a drawing

- Using special effects • Add dimension to objects • The Blend tool • The Smudge tool

Advanced paths techniques

- Modifying paths • The Knife tool • Making slits and joining paths • Masking paths

Working with multiple pages and the Web

- Working with multi-page documents • Working with the Web

Printing

- Printing documents • Using the overprinting option

Integrating with other applications

- Importing documents • Exporting documents • Animating documents • Working with Flash movies • Working with Fireworks