

**ADOBE** 

TRAINING COURSES

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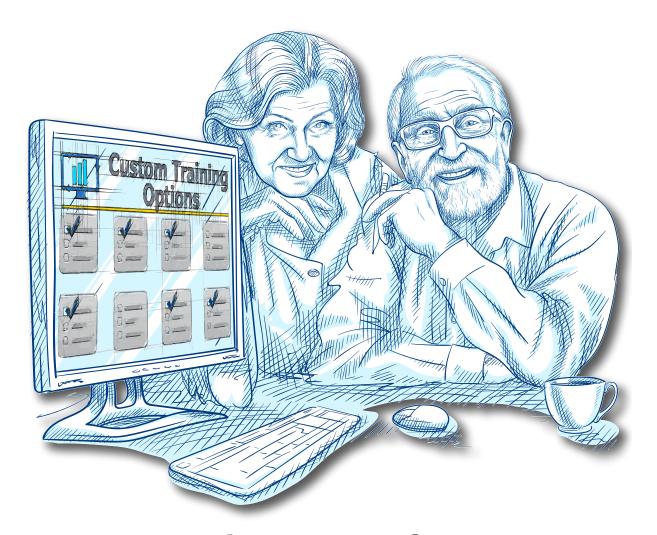
Our goal is to make sure your course meets your objectives, not ours. Therefore, all of our outlines are treated as guides to help steer the course. We may change the order of topics to best suit the groups needs.

Our courses and training manuals can be customised to your requirements at no extra cost.

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Note: If the application you need is not on our list, please contact us. We cover a large variety of applications so we can probably still help you. If not, we can put you in touch with someone who can.



# Do you need Training for a Group?

Any of our Training Courses can be tailored to the unique requirements of your team.

Our Off the Shelf courses are modularised with this option in mind, which means that you could mix and match from a selection of existing topics, or we can work with you to develop something specific to your organisation.

Either way, we are here for advice on the best way to structure your customised training course.

To help you with your customised training option, you can choose from our extensive list of course topics.

We can then help you to assign the appropriate amount of content based on your training timeframe, and the best order of topics to ensure your training flows well.

Our aim is to help every participant gain valuable knowledge and skills.



# Adobe Acrobat Introduction

Participants on this Adobe Acrobat Introduction 1 day course will gain an understanding of the principles of Acrobat and the PDF process. You will be given a solid foundation of skills upon which to build.

The course assumes no prior knowledge of Acrobat, however, people with limited exposure to the software and those who are self-taught will also benefit from attending this course.

#### **Course Details**

Skill Level: **Beginner** Duration: **One Day** 

Time: **9:00am - 4:00pm** (approx)

Class Size: 10 students

# Course Content

#### **Acrobat Orientation**

- The Acrobat Interface
- Using Menus and Toolbars
- Using the Panels Area
- Using the Navigation Pane

# Navigating PDFs

- Using Navigation Tools
- Changing Views
- Using the Zoom Tools
- Multiple Documents
- Printing a PDF

# Creating PDFs

- Using The PDF Printer Driver
- Acrobat PDFMaker
- From Microsoft Office Files
- From Windows Explorer
- From Web Pages
- Using Distiller
- Using Batch Mode
- From Clipboard
- Creating PDFs from a Scanner

#### Combining Documents

- Merging Multiple Files
- Creating a PDF Portfolio
- Working with a Portfolio

### Modifying PDFs

- Inserting and Deleting Pages
- Extracting Content
- Replacing Pages
- Cropping Pages
- Moving and Rotating Pages
- Renumbering Pages
- Adding Headers and Footers
- Adding Watermarks
- Editing Text
- Placing Images
- Reducing File Size

#### Bookmarks

- Creating Bookmarks
- Editing Bookmark Destinations
- Nesting Bookmarks
- Changing the Appearance
- Bookmark Actions

#### Links

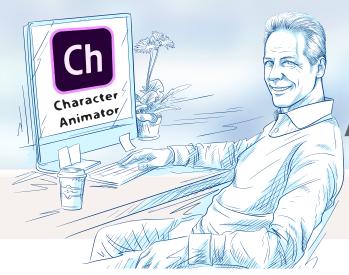
- Creating Links
- Duplicating Links
- Editing Links
- Creating Destination Links
- Creating Links to Another PDF

# Working Collaboratively

- Adding Sticky Notes
- Using the Annotations Tools
- Inserting Digital Identity Stamps
- Initiating an Email Review
- Returning a Reviewed PDF
- Summarising Comments

### Searching PDF Documents

- Finding Words
- Searching Multiple PDFs
- Advanced Search
- Securing Your Documents
- Adding Permissions Passwords



# **Adobe Character Animator Introduction**

Participants will embark on a journey to discover the power of this animation tool. Throughout this half-day course, you'll uncover the best practices for creating captivating character animations.

You'll learn the fundamental techniques from setting up your characters to animating them, allowing you to breathe life into your creations.

#### **Course Details**

Skill Level: Beginner Duration: **Half Day** Class Size: 10 students

# Course Content

#### Character Animator Overview

- What is Adobe Character Animator
- Adobe Character Animator Modes

#### Starter Mode

- Adjusting the settings
- Recording Your Video
- Fine Tuning the Performance
- Importing Recorded Speech
- Export using Quick Export

#### Pro Mode

- Configuring Your Camera and Mic
- Selecting Your Puppet
- Set Your Rest Pose
- Adding a Background to the
- Adjusting the Puppet's Position and Size
- Set up the Controls Panel
- Recording Your Scene
- Fine Tune your Recording

#### Using Puppet Maker

- What is Puppet Maker
- Creating a New Puppet
- Naming & Saving your Puppet



# **Adobe Creative Cloud Introduction**

Participants on this 2 day Adobe Creative Cloud Introduction course will gain an understanding of the fundamental principles of the three main Adobe Creative Cloud programs, Illustrator, InDesign and Photoshop. You will gain a solid foundation of skills in each package upon which to build.

The course is aimed at those who need to pick up work created by others, such as Ad Agencies, and make changes to files, saving time on having to wait for the agency to make the amendment.

This course assumes no prior knowledge of any Creative Cloud package.

#### **Course Details**

Skill Level: Beginner Duration: Two Day

Time: **9:00am - 4:00pm** (approx)

Class Size: 10 students

# Course Content

#### The Creative Cloud

- Understanding Workspaces
- **Understanding Panels**
- Displaying and Hiding Panels
- Working with the Control Panel
- Navigating with the Hand Tool
- Navigating the Document
- Using the Zoom Tool

# **Document Setup**

- **New Document Options**
- Creating Print & Web Document
- Saving Documents
- Grids, Guides and Rulers

# Working with Layers

- Building a Multi Layered Document
- Adding Transparency
- Moving, Scaling and Rotating
- Locking and Protecting Layers

# **Essential Techniques**

- The Selection Tool
- Understanding Smart Guides
- Moving, Copying & Deleting Objects
- Grouping and Ungrouping
- Locking and Unlocking Objects
- Alignment and Distribution

# Drawing with Vectors

- Drawing Paths
- Tips for Drawing Curves
- Editing, Manipulating and Modifying Paths
- Adding and deleting Anchor **Points**
- Splitting Cutting and Erasing Paths

# Printing and Saving

- Printing from the Program
- The Save for Print and Web
- Image Compression and Optimisation

# Working with Graphics

- Different File Formats
- Placing Multiple Graphics

# **Applying Colour**

- Colour Modes
- Applying Colour to Objects
- Spot vs Process Colour
- Managing Swatches

# **Adobe Creative Cloud Introduction**

#### Adobe Illustrator

#### Illustrator Essentials

- The Illustrator Interface
- **Exploring Panels & Workspaces**
- **Useful Shortcuts**

#### Organising your Artwork

- Introducing Multiple Artboards
- Editing the Artboard Size

# **Artwork Components**

- Rulers. Guides & Grids
- Intuitive Smart Guides
- Paths, Point and Handles

#### Creating Basic Shapes

- Using the Shaper Tool
- Creating Primitive Shapes
- Creating Polygons, Stars and Spirals
- **Drawing Lines**

# Working with Type

- Using Type Tools
- Using the Character and Paragraph Panel
- Creating Outlines from Text
- Type on a Path

#### Adobe Photoshop

#### Photoshop Essentials

- The Photoshop Interface
- Exploring Panels & Workspaces
- Useful Shortcuts
- The History Panel
- Snapshots

### Starting with Images

- Creating New Documents
- Cropping & Rotating
- Changing Image Sizes
- Upsampling & Downsampling **Images**

#### Working with Selections

- Lasso and marquee Tools
- Quick Selection and Magic Wand Tools

# Correcting Images

- Understanding Image Histograms
- Using the Levels Command

# Retouching Techniques

- The Clone Tools
- Healing Brush Tools

#### Adobe InDesign

#### InDesign Essentials

- The InDesign Interface
- Exploring Panels & Workspaces
- **Useful Shortcuts**

### Laying Out Pages

- Creating a New Document
- Adjusting Margins & Columns
- Using Rulers, Grids and Guides

# Working with Text

- Placing text
- Selecting and editing text
- Handling missing fonts
- Character Level Formatting
- Paragraph Level Formatting

### Placing Text in InDesign

- Threading and unthreading frames
- The Auto-Fit text function
- Flowing text through frames

# Working with Graphics

- Placing Multiple Graphics
- Wrapping Text Around Images
- **Understanding Fitting Options**





# **Adobe Illustrator** Introduction

Participants on this Adobe Illustrator Introduction 1 day course will gain an understanding of the fundamental principles of Illustrator, including document setup and selection techniques, before working with layering to achieve image effects.

You will gain a solid foundation of skills upon which to build.

The course assumes no prior knowledge of Illustrator, however people with limited exposure to the software or those who are using images created by others will also benefit from this course.

#### **Course Details**

Skill Level: Beginner Duration: One Day

Time: **9:00am - 4:00pm** (approx)

Class Size: 10 students

# Course Content

#### The Illustrator User Interface

- Workspaces
- Menu Bar
- Panels and the Panel Dock
- Tools Panel
- The Artboard
- **Understanding Preferences**

#### Managing & Creating Artboards

- **Understanding Document Presets**
- Understanding and Creating Artboards
- Introducing Multiple Artboards
- Editing the Artboard Size
- Aligning & Distributing Artboards

# Creating Basic Shapes

- **About Illustrator Shapes**
- **Basic Shape Tools**
- Creating Squares, Circles, Polygons and Stars
- Using the Shape Builder Tool
- Using the Selection & Direct Select Tools
- **Duplicating Shapes**
- Applying Default Fill and Stroke
- Basic Grouping of Shapes

#### Dealing with Multiple Objects

- Rulers, Guides and Grids
- Intuitive Smart Guides
- Align and Distribute Shapes
- Working with Isolation Mode

# **Applying Colour**

- Colour Modes
- Applying Colour to Shapes
- Spot vs Process Colour
- Managing Swatches
- Creating Colours and Swatches
- Using Pantone Libraries

#### Drawing in Illustrator

- **Drawing Tools**
- **Drawing Paths**
- Editing and Modifying Paths
- Adding & Deleting Anchor Points

#### Working with Type

- Using Type Tools
- Creating Point Textboxes and Area Textboxes
- Using the Character and Paragraph Panel
- Creating Outlines from Text

#### Saving and Exporting

- Artwork Native Formats
- Saving in Illustrator Format
- Saving as a JPEG
- Export as a PNG
- Saving Files as SVG
- Save Artboards as PDFs



# **Adobe Illustrator** Advanced

Participants on this 1 day Adobe Illustrator course will take their skills to the next level by exploring Creative Cloud Libraries, Transform Tools, creating Patterns, creating Complex Shapes and using Pathfinder, Clipping Masks, Tracing Images and more.

The course assumes prior knowledge of Illustrator, however people with limited exposure to the software or those who are using illustrations created by others will also benefit from this course.

#### **Course Details**

Skill Level: Intermediate / Advanced

Duration: One Day

Time: **9:00am – 4:00pm** (approx)

Class Size: 10 students

# Course Content

#### Creative Cloud Libraries

- **Understanding Libraries Panel**
- Creating & Naming Libraries
- Adding Elements to a Library
- Sorting & Grouping Libraries
- Using a Library in Multiple **Documents**

### Brushes and Symbols

- The Brushes Panel
- Understanding Brush Libraries
- Applying Brush Stroke to a Path
- Creating Different Brushes
- Using the Eraser Tool

### Graphics & Clipping Masks

- Placing imported graphics
- Linked vs embedded images
- Understanding Clipping Masks
- Creating a Clipping Mask

#### The Transform Tools

- Scaling, Rotating, Reflecting & **Shearing Objects**
- Changing Object Perspectives
- The Distortion Tools
- **Distorting Objects**

# Creating Complex Shapes

- Understanding Pathfinder
- Creating & Modifying Compound Shapes
- Cutting and Dividing Objects

# Tracing Images

- The Image Trace Panel
- Using Image Trace
- Expanding Paths in a Traced **Image**

# **Using Effects** Understanding & Using Effects

- - Understanding 3D Effects
  - Understanding the Appearance Panel

#### Live Paint

- Creating LivePaint Groups
- Painting LivePaint Objects
- **Detecting Gaps**
- Modifying LivePaint Groups

### Creating Patterns

- Different Types of Patterns
- Creating & Applying Pattern Scaling & Moving Patterns
- Editing a Pattern



# Adobe InDesign Introduction

Participants on this 1 day Adobe InDesign Introduction course will gain an understanding of the fundamental principles of InDesign, setting up documents for consistent layout, before working with text, graphics, and other elements to create eye catching content ready for print. You will be given a solid foundation of skills upon which to build.

The course assumes no prior knowledge of InDesign, however people with limited exposure to the software or those who are working with documents created by others will also benefit from this course.

#### **Course Details**

Skill Level: Beginner Duration: One Day

Time: **9:00am - 4:00pm** (approx)

Class Size: 10 students

# Course Content

#### The InDesign User Interface

- Workspaces
- Menu Bar
- Panels and the Panel Dock
- **Tools Panel**
- **Understanding Preferences**

#### Setting up Documents

- **Document Presets**
- About Margins and Columns
- Rulers and Guides
- Understanding Bleed and Slug

#### The Links Panel

- Why Graphics are Linked
- **Updating Graphics**
- Replacing Graphics
- Go to Link
- Modified Link
- Missing Link

#### Adding Images

- Understanding File Formats
- Image Placement
- About Frame Fitting Options
- **Understanding Text Wrapping**

### Using Basic Colour

- **Understanding Colours**
- Colour Models & Colour Gamut
- The Swatches Panel

#### Creating Objects

- About InDesign Objects
- Basic Shape Tools
- **Creating Shapes**
- Applying Fill and Stroke
- Arranging Shapes
- Align Objects

#### Working with Text

- Creating Text Frames
- Using Placeholder Text
- Placing (Importing) Text

#### Simple Text Formatting

- **Understanding Text Formatting**
- Character Formatting
- Paragraph Formatting

#### Working with Basic Styles

- **Understanding Styles**
- Creating Paragraph Styles
- Applying Styles

# Publishing and Save Options

- Preflighting Files
- Exporting to PDF
- Using the Packaging Tools
- Package Settings



# Adobe InDesign Intermediate

Participants on this Adobe InDesign Advanced 1 day course will delve deeper into InDesign, exploring advanced formatting options using paragraph styles, before working with Parent Pages, Creative Cloud Libraries, Tables and creating Table of Contents.

The course assumes prior knowledge of InDesign, however people with limited exposure to the software or those who are working with documents created by others will also benefit from this course.

#### **Course Details**

Skill Level: Intermediate

Duration: One Day

Time: **9:00am – 4:00pm** (approx)

Class Size: 10 students

### Course Content

#### Creative Cloud Libraries

- Understanding Libraries Panel
- Creating & Naming Libraries
- Adding Elements to a Library
- Sorting & Grouping Libraries
- Using a Library in Multiple Documents

# Using Parent Pages

- Understanding Parent Pages
- Creating & Editing Parent Pages
- Applying Parent Pages
- Inserting Auto Page Numbering
- Loading Parent Pages
- Inserting Sections
- Deleting Parent Pages

#### Working With Colour

- Colour Gamut & Models
- Process, Tints & Spot Colours
- Using the Eyedropper
- Creating a Gradient
- Removing Colour from Gradients

### Creating Advanced Styles

- Understanding Styles
- Creating Character Styles
- Creating Paragraph Styles
- Applying Styles
- Editing Styles
- Using Indents and Tabs
- Using Bullets and Number
- Creating Drop caps
- Applying Nested Styles

#### Creating a Table of Content

- Understanding Table of Contents
- Inserting a Table of Contents
- Formatting a Table of Contents
- Table of Contents Style
- Updating a Table of Contents
- Creating Table of Contents Bookmarks for a PDF

# Working with Tables

- Understanding Tables
- Creating a Table
- Importing Tables
- Table Formatting
- Entering Text in a Table Cell
- Adjusting a Table
- Formatting Text in a Table



# Adobe InDesign **Advanced**

Participants on this Adobe InDesign Advanced 1 day course will delve deeper into InDesign, exploring Complex Shapes, Cross References & Indexes. Then work with Layers and Interactive Forms, before the Data Merge feature and creating books from multiple files. .

The course assumes prior knowledge of InDesign, however people with limited exposure to the software or those who are working with documents created by others will also benefit from this course

#### **Course Details**

Skill Level: Advanced Duration: One Day

Time: **9:00am - 4:00pm** (approx)

Class Size: 10 students

# Course Content

#### Creating Complex Shapes

- Creating Frames and Shapes
- Transforming Shapes
- Using the Direct Selection Tool
- Using the Pen Tool
- Merging Shapes Using Pathfinder
- **Duplicating Objects**
- **Arranging Objects**
- Aligning and Distributing Objects
- **Grouping Objects**
- Creating Outlines and Shapes from Type
- **Applying Corner Effects**

# **Using Layers**

- **Understanding Layers**
- Creating a New Layer
- Naming Layers & Assigning Colours
- Assigning Objects to Layers
- Reordering Layers
- Hiding and Viewing Layers

#### Basic Interactive Forms

- Create Form Field Frames.
- Creating a Text Entry Field
- Creating a Combo Box
- Adding Items to a List
- Creating Radio Buttons
- Adding Print, Reset and Send Buttons
- Exporting as an Interactive PDF

#### Using the Data Merge Feature

- Understanding the Data Merge **Process**
- Setting Up the Database File
- Setting Up the InDesign Document
- Preforming the Merge with Text & **Images**

# Creating a Book

- **Understanding Books**
- Create a Book
- Add. Reorder & Remove Documents
- Synchronise Files
- **Exporting Books**

#### Indexes & Cross References

- Understanding Indexes
- Adding Index Entries
- Generating a Simple Index
- **Understanding Cross References**
- Creating Paragraph Styles Cross Referencing
- Creating Text Anchors Cross Referencing



# Adobe Photoshop Introduction

Participants on this 1 day Adobe Photoshop Introduction course will gain an understanding of the fundamental principles of Photoshop, including navigating, working with Images and Layers and exploring Image retouching. You will be given a solid foundation of skills upon which to build.

The course assumes no prior knowledge of Photoshop, however people with limited exposure to the software and those who are self-taught you will also benefit from this course.

#### **Course Details**

Skill Level: **Beginner** Duration: **One Day** 

Time: **9:00am - 4:00pm** (approx)

Class Size: 10 students

# Course Content

#### Photoshop User Interface

- Setting Up User Preferences
- Identify User Interface Elements
- Displaying, Hiding & Docking Panels
- Selecting and Creating Workspaces
- Navigate and Zooming

# Digital Image Basics

- Creating New Documents
- Understanding Resolution, Dimensions and File Size
- Cropping and Rotating Artwork
- Creating Panorama images
- Changing Image Size
- Making colour mode conversions

# Introduction to Layers

- The Layers Panel
- Creating Layers
- Selecting Layers
- Moving Objects on Layers
- Changing a Layer's Opacity

#### **Creating Selections**

- Selection Tool Options
- The Marquee Tools
- The Lasso Tools
- The Magic Wand Tool
- The Quick Selection Tool
- Feathering a Selection

#### Working with Colours

- Understanding Colours
- Foreground and Background Colours
- Mixing Colours
- The Paint Brush tools
- Working with Brush settings
- Eyedropper Tool

#### Correcting an Image

- Dealing with Adjustment Layers
- Understanding Image Histograms
- Using Levels
- Adjusting Colour Balance
- Editing Hue and Saturation
- Using Exposure and Vibrance
- Using Photo Filter

# Retouching Techniques

- The Clone Stamp Tool
- The Spot Healing Brush Tool
- The Healing Brush Tool
- The Patch Tool

# Saving and Exporting Images

- Saving Photoshop Files
- Photoshop Export Options
- Save for Web
- Image Compression and Optimisation

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# Adobe Photoshop **Advanced**

Participants on this Adobe Photoshop 1 day course will take their Photoshop skills to the next level, exploring Layer Effects and Smart Objects, as well as working with Blending modes and Automation.

The course assumes some prior knowledge of Photoshop, however people with limited exposure to the software and those who are self-taught you will also benefit from this course.

#### **Course Details**

Skill Level: Intermediate/Advanced

Duration: One Day

Time: **9:00am – 4:00pm** (approx)

Class Size: 10 students

Creating Type

Type Layers

Paragraph Type

Selecting Type Formatting Type

Rasterizing Type

Working with Type Layers

Point Type

# Course Content

#### Creative Cloud Libraries

- Understanding Libraries Panel
- Creating & Naming Libraries
- Adding Elements to a Library
- Sorting & Grouping Libraries
- Using a Library in Multiple **Documents**

# Using Blend Modes

- Understanding Blending Modes
- Cycling through blend modes
- Layer Opacity and Blends

### Smart Objects

- **Understanding Smart Objects**
- Editing & Creating Smart Objects
- Creating a Linked Smart Object

# Using Photoshop Filters

- Using Photoshop Filters
- The Filter Gallery
- Sharpen and Blur Filters
- Adding Motion Blur
- Using Liquify
- **Using Vanishing Point**

- Actions & Automation **Understanding Actions** 
  - Managing Actions
- **Running Actions**
- Creating a Custom Action
- **Testing Actions**
- Understanding Batch Processing
- Batch processing multiple files
- Export Layers to Individual Files

# Creating Masks

- Introducing Layer Masks
- Adding a Layer Mask
- Moving a Layer Mask Applying Filters to Part of an Image
- Creating a Mask from a Selection

## Special Effects

- Shadow, Glow & Emboss Effects
- Copying Effects to Layers
- Dodging and Burning
- Using Puppet Warp
- Changing Perspectives & Warping Images



# **Adobe Photoshop** For Social Media

Participants on this Adobe Photoshop for Social Media course will take their social media game to the next level by using Photoshop's powerful features, such as image enhancement, text formatting, and image resizing for social media. Create stunning images that not only grab your audience's attention but keep them coming back for more.

The course assumes no prior knowledge of Photoshop, however people with limited exposure to the software and those who are self-taught you will also benefit from this course.

#### **Course Details**

Skill Level: Beginner Duration: One Day

Time: **9:00am - 4:00pm** (approx)

Class Size: 10 students

# Course Content

#### Photoshop User Interface

- Setting Up User Preferences
- Identify User Interface Elements

Creating New Documents for

Cropping and Rotating Artwork

Understanding Resolution,

Dimensions and File Size

Making Colour Mode

- Displaying, Hiding & Docking Panels
- Selecting and Creating Workspaces
- Navigate and Zooming

Social Media Basics

Social Media Sites

#### Creating Selections

- Selection Tool Options
- The Marquee Tools
- The Lasso Tools
- The Magic Wand Tool
- The Quick Selection Tool
- Feathering a Selection

#### Working with Colours

- **Understanding Colours**
- Mixing Colours
- The Paint Brush Tools
- Working with Brush Settings
- **Eyedropper Tool**

# Correcting an Image

- Dealing with Adjustment Layers
- **Understanding Histograms**
- Using Levels
- Editing Hue and Saturation
- Using Exposure and Vibrance

# Working with Type

- Point Type
- Paragraph Type
- Selecting Type
- Formatting Type
- Working with Type Layers

#### Creative Cloud Libraries

- **Understanding Libraries Panel**
- Creating & Naming Libraries
- Adding Elements to a Library
- Sorting & Grouping Libraries

# Saving and Exporting Social Media Images

- Saving Photoshop Files
- Photoshop Export Options
- Save for Web
- Image Compression and Optimisation

#### Introduction to Layers

- The Layers Panel
- Creating Layers

Conversions

- Selecting Layers
- Moving Objects on Layers
- Changing a Layer's Opacity