



Adobe Illustrator - Basic

Course Aim

This comprehensive course introduces users to the leading industry standard Vector drawing tool, Adobe Illustrator.

Users will examine the creation of new illustrations for print or the web.

By the end of the course participants will have a good overview of the available tools in Adobe Illustrator in order to create drawings like, logos, cartoons, or web site interfaces.

Course Prerequisites

Previous experience using applications on a PC or Macintosh is an essential prerequisite for this course.

Users should be familiar with using a keyboard and mouse.

Course Duration:

One day: 9:00am - 4:30pm

Inclusions:

Each participant will receive a comprehensive course manual and relevant exercise files.

What to Bring:

- Note pad & Pen.
- Examples of work from the office.
- Participants are encouraged to bring along a USB flash drive if they want copies of the work done during class.

Course Topics:

Getting Started

- Illustrator Environment
- Tools And Panels
- Views
- Zoom

Adobe Bridge

- Bridge Environment
- Views
- Managing Files

Basic Documents

- New Documents
- Using Guides
- Adding Pages

Creating A Simple Illustration

- Basic Shapes
- Manipulate Shapes
- Isolation Mode
- Warping tools

Applying Colour

- Fill Colour
- Stroke Options
- The Eyedropper Tool
- Swatches
- Gradients
- Transparency
- Using the Attributes panel
- Colour Groups

Drawing Paths

- Basic Drawing
- Select and Edit Paths
- Tracing Raster Images
- Using Pathfinder
- Warp Tools

Working With Text

- Add Text
- Alter Text
- Flow Type
- Format Text
- Edit Text

Layers

- Select, Hide and Lock and Rearrange Objects using Layers

Brushes

- Applying Brushes
- Creating Custom Brushes
- Art, Scatter and Pattern Brushes

Symbols

- Creating Custom Symbols
- Updating Symbols
- Symbol Sprayer

Patterns

- Using Patterns
- Creating Custom Patterns

Printing

- Crating Print-ready PDFs