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Adobe Fireworks

Introduction / Intermediate

Duration: 2 Days

Overview:

On Aspect Training's Adobe Fireworks Introduction/Intermediate training course, you'll use Adobe Fireworks to create vector graphics, edit bitmap graphics, optimise images, and create and assign rollover effects for the Web.

On completion of this course delegates will be able to :

- Understand the differences between bitmap and vector graphics.
- Use the Info panel to precisely scale objects.
- Use Fireworks to create and manipulate complex vector graphics and apply effects, textures, and patterns.
- Understand the GIF, JPEG, and PNG file formats to choose the right one for each kind of image.
- Import bitmap (raster) graphics and modify them in Bitmap Mode.
- Create selections within bitmap images using the Lasso, Marquee, and Magic Wand tools.
- Import and modify text objects, and merge them with vector graphics.
- Understand image resolution as it pertains to Web based graphics.
- Show and edit rulers, grids, and guides in order to help position items with precision on a Web page.
- Create hotspots to which you will assign links, alt text, and link targets.
- Slice complex images into sections and use the Optimise panel and Fireworks' Preview modes to optimise the images individually.
- Create simple and customized rollover and disjoint rollover effects using effects, patterns, and textures.
- Export a multi-frame Fireworks file with rollover effects as an HTML document

Prerequisites:

There are no prerequisites for this course.

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Course Topics:

The Fireworks Environment

Previewing a web page in Fireworks
Vector and bitmap graphics
Fireworks environment elements
Exploring a Fireworks document
Accessing and arranging Fireworks panels
Navigating in Fireworks
Zooming and navigating
Resizing the Fireworks window
Navigating using shortcuts

Creating Vector Graphics

Drawing tools
Drawing with the pencil tool
Drawing straight segments with the pencil
Drawing line segments with the line tool
Object drawing tools
Rectangle tool
The ellipse tool
Polygon tool
Modifying vector graphics
Using the stroke panel
Editing fills
Gradient fills
Applying pattern fills

Transforming Vector Images and Effects

Combining shapes
Combining vector shapes
Expanding strokes
Arranging and transforming
Aligning objects
Adjusting the stacking order
Using layers
Scaling objects
Skewing and distorting objects
Knife tool
Grouping
Using rulers, grids, and guides
Applying effects
Applying glow and drop shadow

Bitmap Images

Bitmap basics
Importing bitmaps
Enlarging bitmap images
Cropping bitmap images
Editing bitmap images
Bitmap mode
Creating selections
Painting bitmap images
Effects with bitmap images
Applying effects to bitmap images
Effects with bitmap images
Vector and bitmap graphics

Using Text

Creating text
Adding text
Applying effects to text
Merging text and graphics
Combining text with vectors
Converting text to paths
Merging text and graphics
Adding text

Optimising Graphics for the Web

Web graphic file formats
Optimising images
Optimising photographic images
Optimising flat colour graphics

Hotspot Links

Creating hotspots
Adding hotspots
Assigning links to hotspots
Assigning links

Slicing and Rollovers

Slicing
Slicing and optimising
Rollovers
Creating drag and drop rollovers
Using live effects in rollovers
Custom rollovers
Creating disjoint rollovers
Exporting
Using Fireworks files in Dreamweaver



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