

Illustrator Introduction

One day

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Course Aims:

Delegates will be introduced to the basic concepts of Adobe Illustrator. Although you don't need to have any knowledge of Illustrator itself any experience of DTP or image manipulation will prove an advantage.

Course Outline:

difference between vector and bitmap images

overview of illustrator

- grids
- guidelines
- pasteboard

creating and saving documents.

creating / editing objects

- stroke / fill
- drawing / resizing
- brush palettes

colour

- rgb / cmyk
- colour palette
- gradient fills
- swatch palette

drawing

- basics of drawing
- drawing lines / shapes
- using the pen tool
- editing paths
- modifying stroke and fill

transformation of objects

- modification of stroke
- selecting single and multiple objects
- grouping and ungrouping

using type

- creating and editing text
- character / paragraph styles
- using the character / paragraph palette
- adding type
- type to outlines

customising illustrator

- creating custom brushes
- creating / using custom swatches

transformations

- scale / rotate / shear /transform

export artwork

- export art to photoshop
- export to print

Assumed Knowledge: of operating systems for both Mac and PC