

Introduction to Freehand

(2 days)

Course Outline

?? Basics

- *Overview of program features*
- *Document setup*
- *The creation of paths and points*
- *Creating geometric shapes*
- *Freeform paths*
- *Lines and fills*
- *Viewing the document*
- *Using the pen tool*
- *Corner, curve and connector tools*
- *Automatic curvature*
- *Using the autotrace objects*
- *Using guides and rulers*
- *Selecting, arranging and grouping objects*

?? Text handling

- *The text entry dialogue box*
- *Changing type specifications*
- *Spacing, alignment, horizontal scale*
- *Leading, Kerning, Baseline shift*
- *Joining text to a path*
- *Converting text to paths*
- *Manipulation of text blocks*
- *Importing text via the clipboard*

?? Advanced features

- *Working with layers*
- *Graduated fills*
- *Process, spot and pantone colours*
- *Cloning and duplicating*
- *Rotating, Skewing, Reflecting and Scaling*
- *Use of colour libraries*
- *Creating pattern tiles*
- *The use of style palettes*
- *Importing graphics with the Place command*
- *Cropping with the Paste Inside command*
- *Exporting illustrations*
- *Using publish and subscribe*



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