



## ADOBE PHOTOSHOP CS4

# Photoshop CS4 Essentials

### Description

The two-day course is designed to equip total beginners to Photoshop with the basic core skills the program demands.

**Prerequisites** No prior image manipulation experience is required, although a basic understanding of computer operations is assumed.

### Class Information

**Duration** 2 days

**Objective** The primary objective of this Photoshop CS4 Essentials training course is to equip the student with the basic core skills the program demands.

The course is intended to support both print and web users. Delegates will receive their own copy of a leading Photoshop textbook.

**Who Should Attend** New users of Photoshop.

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## Course Outline

### Day 1

#### The Photoshop Environment

- Toolbox and selecting tools
- Tool Options Bar
- Applications Menu
- The Panels
- Basic shortcuts
- Zooming in and out of images
- Hand Tool
- Navigator Panel
- Viewing Modes
- Using Adobe Bridge

#### Image Adjustments

- The Automatic Commands
- Using “Step Back” and “Fade” to correct errors
- Using the Levels Command to correct contrast
- Correcting colours using Color Balance
- Enhancing colours (Hue/Saturation Command)
- Replacing colours
- Rescuing difficult images
- (Shadow/Highlight Command)

#### Using the Painting Tools

- How to set up Photoshop brushes in terms of size, shape, hardness, mode, opacity and fill
- Saving your own custom brushes
- Choosing colours by eye using the Color Picker
- Inputting specified colours
- Dodge, Burn and Sponge Tools
- Creating, editing and applying Gradients
- Using the History Brush

#### Photoshop Selections

- The importance of Selections
- Rectangular Selections
- Square Selections
- Lasso selections
- Polygonal selections
- Magnetic selections
- Quick selections
- Magic Wand
- Color Range

- Saving, editing and reloading selections
- Creating and editing Alpha Channels

#### Photoshop Layers

- The Layers palette
- Creating Layers
- Pasting into Layers
- Naming Layers
- Changing Layer Order
- The Background Layer
- Targeting Layers
- Understanding Layers properties (mode, opacity and fill)
- Locking/unlocking Layers
- Linking Layers
- Transforming Layers and Smart Objects
- Creating Layer Effects (Drop Shadows, Glows, Strokes and Bevels)
- Copying Layer Effects
- Layer Groups
- Layer Masks
- Creating Adjustment and Fill Layers

### Day 2

#### Retouching

- Clone Stamp Tool
- Healing Brush Tool
- Spot Healing Brush Tool
- Patching
- The Clone Source Panel
- Red Eye removal

#### Text

- Using the Type Tool to create and edit text
- Point insertion vs text boxes
- The Character Panel
- Setting Font type, size, style and colour
- Setting Leading and Tracking
- Changing the scale of text

#### Faux Fonts

- Text effects using clipping and layer effects
- Warping Type

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### Paths and Vector Graphics

- Creating Paths and Shape Layers with the Pen
- Editing Paths
- Black and White Selection Tools
- Editing Corners with the Convert Point Tool
- Adding/deleting Anchor points
- Stroking and Filling Paths
- Using Paths to create selections
- Clipping Paths
- Custom Shape Tool and Vector Masks
- Creating Montages/composite images
- Clipping Layers

### Understanding Common File Formats

- JPEG
- TIFF
- PSD
- GIF
- EPS

### Basic Output

- Saving images for the web
- Photoshop print preview
- Image Resolution and Size
- Changing the Canvas size and colour
- Sharpening Images

### Frequently Asked Questions:

#### Post-Photoshop Training support

All delegates are eligible to email support for up to 30 days from Sprunt Media.

#### How much does the Photoshop training course cost?

Our standard pricing for our training is £350.00 per delegate per day.

#### Reduced online booking cost are as follows-

1 delegate: £250 per delegate per day

#### Further discounts are available for group bookings.

Please call for more information on group prices. **0207 478 1000**

Please see Training calendar for scheduled dates for this course.

If the scheduled dates are not suitable or for further information, please contact 020 7478 1000 or e-mail [info@sprunt-media.net](mailto:info@sprunt-media.net)

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