

# A workshop in Transparency

- Course Title :** A Workshop in Transparency
- Duration :** ½ Day
- Pre-requisites :** Familiarity with Photoshop and Illustrator.
- For Whom:** The course is intended for people who wish to create transparency in graphics. It covers transparency in Photoshop and Illustrator, and its use in various file formats, InDesign, GoLive and Acrobat.
- Course Objectives:** At the conclusion of the training participants will be able to -
- Create transparency in a Photoshop file.
  - Create transparency in an Illustrator file
  - Understand how transparency is handled in various file formats.
  - Preserve transparency in Acrobat.
  - Handle transparency in InDesign
  - Control web transparency
- Course Design:** This workshop is part of our FastTrack Training scheme.
- Training is undertaken in a one-on-one situation, or with a small group from the same workgroup. Throughout the course, the instructor will fully demonstrate and explain each new concept. This demonstration and explanation, coupled with plenty of practical exercises ensures that participants are able to meet the course objectives.
- Participants are encouraged to bring samples of their work, both hard copy and on disk to the workshop, as well as a list of questions.
- Notes are provided to each participant to take away at the conclusion of the training and each participant will have the exclusive use of a computer for the duration of the course.

# Course Outline

TRANSPARENCY WORKSHOP - 1/2 WORKSHOP

## PHOTOSHOP

- Backgrounds
- Deleting Selections

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## ALPHA CHANNELS

- Overview
- Saving
- Using in transparency
- Manipulating
- Calculations
- Greyscale properties

## ILLUSTRATOR

- Creating transparency
- Role of Pathfinder
- Paths from Photoshop
- Imported bitmaps

## PATHS

- Clipping paths  
in Illustrator
- in Photoshop
- Transferring

## INDESIGN

- Clipping paths
- Using Alpha Channels
- Feathering and cropping
- Native transparency from Photoshop

## GoLIVE

- Transparency and web graphics
- Native formats
- Smart objects
- overriding transparency

## FILE FORMATS

- EPS
- GIF
- JPEG
- PDF
- PSD

## TRANSPARENCY AND PRINT

- Colour models
- White vs Paper
- Clipping paths
- Soft edges

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**WorkGroup**  
TRAINING