

Course Description: Fireworks MX: Level 2 is a hands-on course that teaches you powerful techniques for creating and editing Web graphics and pages. You will learn advanced skills for working with vector graphics, photographic images and effects, slicing and rollovers, symbols and animation, and exporting to HTML. By the end of the course students will be able to create and edit paths. Students will create graphic effects such as text wrapping to a path. Students will create image effects, and learn techniques for sharpening images. Students will create complex rollover behaviors, and create animation and buttons using symbols.

Who Should Attend: This course is for Web designers who want to use the more advanced features of Fireworks to create, modify, and optimize graphics.

Prerequisites: Students should have taken Fireworks MX: Level 1 or have equivalent experience.

Benefits of Attendance: Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Create and edit vector paths precisely and efficiently using the Pen and Subselection tools.
- Wrap text on a path and convert text to paths.
- Sharpen images and improve their contrast precisely.
- Create image effects such as cloning, masking, and patterns.
- Create and edit complex rollover behaviors, including multi-state navigation bars and drop-down lists.
- Use instances of symbols throughout a Website, and modify the original symbol to update all instances.
- Create animation and buttons using symbols.
- Modify HTML export settings to create files that match the format of the HTML editor application you use.

Course Outline:

Vector Paths

Vector Path Concepts
Drawing and Editing Rough Paths
Creating Paths Precisely with the Pen Tool
Text and Paths

Image Effects

Improving Sharpness and Contrast
Editing Images
Patterns
Masking
Saving Effects and Styles

Advanced Rollovers and Slicing

Triggering Rollovers from Polygonal Areas
Pop-up Menus
Behaviors
Navigation Bars

Symbols, Instances, and Animation

Button Symbols
Graphic Symbols
Creating Animation

Exporting Pages For a Website

Text Slices
HTML Export Options