

After Effects CC Advanced Course Outline







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Duration: 3 Days

Course Overview and Objectives

After Effects CC software lets you deliver cinematic visual effects and motion graphics faster than ever before with new Global Performance Cache. Extend your creativity with built-in text and shape extrusion, new mask feathering options. Get into motion graphics - come learn what After Effects CC can do!

Pre Requisites: Practical working knowledge of Mac OS X

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Lesson 1: Using 3D Features (2.5D)

- Understanding 3D
- Cameras, lights, and points of interest
- Using 3D Views
- Adding 3D Lights
- Adding a camera
- Repositioning layers
- Rotate or orient a 3D layer
- Axis modes
- 3D layer interactions, render order, and collapsed transformations
- Working with Shadows
- Working with a Null Object
- Working with Text in 3D
- Animating objects
- Animating lights
- Animating cameras with point of interest
- Animating cameras with auto orient
- Animating aperture

Lesson 2: Advanced 3D

- 3D Camera Tracker
- Classic 3D vs Ray-traced 3D
- Using the Ray-Traced 3D Engine
- Environmental Layers

Lesson 3: Photoshop and After Effects

- Using Vanishing Point VPE
- Adding dimension to stills

Lesson 4: Cinema 4D in AE

- Working with Cinema 4D Lite
- Creating 3D Text in Cinema 4D

Lesson 5: Particles

- Using Particles for compound control layers
- Understanding Particles
- Particle Playground
- Other Simulation Effects

Lesson 6: Paint Effects

- Stroke
- Scribble
- Write-on
- Paint

Lesson 7: Performing Color Correction

Adjusting color balance





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- Replacing the background
- Correcting a range of colors
- Warming colors with the Photo Filter effect

Lesson 8: Effects

• Overview of the most commonly used effects in After Effects

Lesson 9: Tracking/Stabilizing

- Understanding tracking
- Using the tracker
- Warp Stabilizer
- Track Motion
- Using single-point motion tracking
- Using multipoint tracking
- Stabalize Motion
- Mocha overview
- Tips for better tracking

Lesson 10: Expressions

- Introduction to Expressions
- Simple Pickwhipping
- Using expressions to animate to the rhythm of music
- Adjusting the expression direction
- Adjusting the expression parameters
- Adjusting the rate of change
- Adjusting the final value
- Creating a loop using expressions
- The wiggle expression

Lesson 11: Keying

- Understanding Keying
- Shooting Techniques for easier Keying
- Using Garbage Mattes for easier Keying
- Using Keylight
- Refining the Matte
- Lesson 16: Using the Roto Brush Tool
- About rotoscoping
- Getting started
- Creating a segmentation boundary
- Fine-tuning the matte
- Freezing your Roto Brush tool results
- Changing the background
- Adding animated text
- Outputting your project

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