Adobe Creative Suite (CS) is a software package that includes a wealth of programs for those who want to ‘tap’ into their creative side. QA offers training in the six most popular CS programs: Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Dreamweaver, Acrobat and Flash.

CS6 launched in 2012 and contained hundreds of upgrades from CS5 across all Adobe programs. As there was only a two-year gap between the launch of CS5 and CS6, QA provides training in both versions, which are still in great demand across organisations. We also provide new features training to show users the major changes between the versions.

Adobe Creative Cloud (CC) is the newest addition to the Adobe family – and essentially offers all the perks of CS6, with the added ability to purchase applications on a subscription basis, opposed to membership terms. The CC provides access to more products and services, an increase in storage capacity ranging from 2 to 20GB and allows users to share, collaborate and sync their work.

Adobe training courses are intended for (but not restricted to) those involved in web, print or graphic design, marketing communications and even those who may desire a career change or the ability to create remarkable design work. QA offers training in six of Adobe’s CS5 and CS6 most popular programs at a beginner and advanced level. These training courses will help prepare delegates to take the Adobe Certified Associate (ACA) examination or those studying towards the Adobe Certified Expert (ACE) certifications.

Adobe Photoshop is the program used to enhance and edit digital photographs. The introductory course teaches novice users how to define image size, resolution and colour modes in order to enhance and modify the photo. The advanced level course explores the wide variety of Photoshop tools by teaching advanced techniques, such as special effects, raster and vector tools.

Adobe Illustrator is used to create ‘drawn’ objects (e.g. illustrations, logos, advertisements and graphic documents), and commonly integrates content from Photoshop and Flash. QA teaches delegates to create shapes, paths, objects and graphics with text – and then the advanced course covers how to enhance artwork using a variety of Illustrator tools to prepare documents for composite and commercial print, plus the web.

Adobe Dreamweaver is the program used to create and maintain webpages for websites. Novice users will learn to identify basic web concepts, build websites, design webpages and create reusable site assets (e.g. Photos, hyperlinks).

In the advanced course, delegates can enhance their established skills to create layouts and forms, integrate external files and gain knowledge of mobile integration techniques – a valuable asset in today’s mobile-savvy world.

Adobe Acrobat/Acrobat Pro is used by business and office professionals to create and deliver PDF documents. QA’s level 1 course teaches the fundamentals of creating, navigating, validating and optimising PDF documents. Our level 2 course advances skill-sets to enable the delegates to transform technical documents to PDF format, create interactive forms using LiveCycle Designer and finalise PDFs for commercial printing.

Adobe InDesign provides the ability to design and prepare documents at a high-standard and professional look. Delegates will learn how to create and customise documents by formatting text and layouts. They will also develop the skills to build complex paths, merge external data and design interactive documents.

Adobe Flash is mainly used to design animated graphics for websites. Our level 1 and 2 courses teach delegates to create a range of simple to complex animations, through learning the Flash interface and ActionScript code. By the end of the course, you could find it easier to publish movies in various formats.
Our Adobe trainers

Richard O’Brien
As QA’s Principal Technologist and product lead for Adobe, Richard is heavily involved in the course curriculum and developing courseware for Adobe products. He has been a trainer for over 20 years, delivering public and bespoke end-user business application training to thousands of delegates. Richard is a qualified member of the National Association of Photoshop Professionals (NAPP), as well as an Adobe Certified Expert (ACE) and Adobe Certified Associate (ACA).

Philippa Duffy
Philippa joined QA after serving 13 years as the staff trainer for News International Newspapers Ltd where she taught staff how to draw for print, link stories to the layout and prepare documents for press. At QA, Philippa is responsible for delivering Adobe and Microsoft training to a number of QA clients.

Dragoslav Ivovic
Dragoslav joined QA in 2004 to train across desktop applications, programming courses and UNIX. As one of the trainers with the largest skill-set in the business applications portfolio at QA, he works with numerous clients to provide both ‘off-the-shelf’ and bespoke training courses.

Why QA for Adobe training?
- In 2012, we trained over 100 Adobe course events.
- Our Adobe courses can be taught on both PC and Mac platform – so you can learn on whichever system you use outside the classroom.
- Our Adobe Principal Technologist is a member of the National Association of Photoshop Professionals (NAPP)
- Our trainers are Adobe Certified Experts (ACE) and Adobe Certified Associates (ACA)
- Our training centres span the whole of the UK, so you can learn from a location convenient for you.

Adobe training centres
Due to the high demand of QA Adobe Training courses, we run them at multiple centres across the UK. QA can also offer closed and bespoke courses tailored to fit your company needs.

Delegate who attended Adobe Photoshop CS5, Level 1 in April 2013.
“Richard was particularly helpful at linking how we will apply our use of the software to our work.”
Delegate who attended Adobe Illustrator CS6, Level 1 in April 2013.
“Excellent training day, really informative - Phillipa recommended some useful resources and was extremely helpful.”
Delegate who attended Adobe InDesign, Level 1 in June 2013.
“Dragoslav was awesome and I wouldn’t hesitate to recommend him to my colleagues.”

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