

## Adobe Photoshop Projects from a CTE Classroom



In this workshop you will use Adobe Photoshop CS4 to create a variety of classroom projects that are part of the Adobe Visual Design Curriculum and will help to prepare your students for the Adobe Certified Associate Exam. These lessons will include sample files, video tutorials and rubrics so they can be used back in your classroom immediately.

### Learning Resources

Since all my lessons are online you can immediately start using these lessons with your students or share them with the faculty at our school/district. I encourage you to personally take on projects that allow you to practice these techniques. Continue to read some of the excellent books that cover these amazing software applications, explore the many online resources and learn from your students as they push the limits. I have included a list of my favorite online learning resources.

When you attend my workshop I give you a DVD and handouts that contain a bunch of sample files that you are welcome to use while you practice the techniques in the workshop. I encourage you to start with these files and then experiment with the same techniques on your own images.

<b>Time</b>	<b>Description</b>
0:00 - 0:15	Introduction and Course Overview
0:15 – 0:25	<b>Bridge</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Making a Favorite in Bridge (3:36)</li> </ul>
0:25 – 0:55	<b>Introduction</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Layer Basics (6:04)</li> <li>• Adding Text (4:41)</li> <li>• Layer Styles (2:40)</li> <li>• Save and File types (1:50)</li> </ul>
0:55 – 1:30	<b>Essential Tips, Tricks and Shortcuts</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Undo and History (2:59)</li> <li>• Zooming and Navigation (2:43)</li> <li>• Mr. D's Top Tips <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Layer Via Copy (0:23)</li> <li>○ Nudge x 10 (0:31)</li> <li>○ Fill Layer (0:37)</li> <li>○ Deselect (0:50)</li> <li>○ Brush size (0:53)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
1:30 – 2:30	<b>Projects</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business Card</li> <li>• Football Program</li> <li>• Poster/Post Card</li> <li>• DVD Label</li> <li>• Theater Slide</li> <li>• Photo Restoration</li> <li>• Import Video</li> <li>• Certificate</li> <li>• Web Banner</li> <li>• Shoe Design</li> </ul>
2:30 – 2:45	<b>Portfolio</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creating an Acrobat Portfolio (3:15)</li> </ul>
2:45 - 3:00	<b>Evaluation and Wrap-up</b>

# Bridge

Bridge is a great way to quickly find and manage your images. It is also the new way to print picture packages and create web sites.

## Making a Favorite in Bridge (3:36)

*I have included some links to some bonus tutorials from Adobe TV but we will not have time in class to explore these.*

## Introduction

I like to start my students off with a fun little project that will give them a good understanding of how layers work. Building simple DVD label has been a constant source of real world work for my graphic students.

**Template:** Use Bridge to open the photoshopCTE/Photos/intro folder and double click on the "ps\_dvd\_template.psd"

## DVD Label Assignment

Read the objectives and if you feel like you already know all these things feel free to skip this assignment.

- Getting Started (8:39)  
**Objectives:** In this lesson I will give you a quick overview of the Photoshop interface and a couple ways to open images. Then I will discuss how to manage your panels and windows. Finally, I will introduction you to working with layers.
- Adding Text (8:17)  
**Objectives:** In this lesson I will show you how to arrange your layers, use the text tool and apply layer styles.

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# Essentials

There are the essential skills that every Photoshop user should learn as they start to use this powerful program. As you go through these tutorials practice the tool or shortcut and then work hard to use it throughout your time in Photoshop.

## Tips, Tricks and Shortcuts

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- Zooming and Navigation (2:43)
- Mr. D's Top Tips
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