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Macromedia Fireworks 8 Revealed



Synopsis

Get ready to explore all that Fireworks 8 has to offer! Giving you a firm foundation, Macromedia Fireworks 8 Revealed allows you to master concepts on both a technical and artistic level. Begin by examining the concept behind each task-the goal and the necessary features that are involved. Then go in-depth with the objective of your task as you study examples and learn the steps necessary to complete it. Working your way through comprehensive, step-by-step lessons, you'll develop the confidence you need to create eye-catching documents using Fireworks 8.

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This is a terrible book. First, there is no color and the illustrations are poorly printed, muddy halftones that give very little impression of what the finished graphic might look like. The learning approach is very modular, attempting to do what the VisualQuickstart books do but getting lost in badly designed tint-boxes on the sides of pages that have too much boldface type and badly reproduced icons. You can learn much more from the Macromedia tutorials that come with Fireworks 8. If you are new to Fireworks, save your money and use it to buy the Macromedia Fireworks 8 Training from the Source, which also has problems, but at least it is well presented and easy to follow. If you have used Fireworks before, you will find that both books claim to present Fireworks 8, but in fact the features new to the most recent version are not covered: the Image Editing Panel, 25 new blend modes, CSS Popups, actionscript color compatibility, Quicktime video

import, and on and on. If you really want to get current with the latest version of Fireworks, join lynda.com for \$25 a month and view Abigail Rudner's superb Fireworks 8 Essential Training (along with scores of other online tutorials).

This book covers most topics which Fireworks users need to know. Topics are presented in a nice flow. Readers can quickly pick up techniques described in the book (in less than a week). This book should be very useful for beginners and some helps for intermediate users. If you were looking for a workflow book using fireworks and other website designing software like Dreamweaver, this one is not the one. I personally do not like to quality of figures inside. Many of them are not well printed, designed, and meaningful. It worths a four stars because it costs under 20 dollars.

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