CINEMA 4D



e-Learning Course



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COURSE MODULES

Module 1: Introduction to Cinema 4D

- Overview of Cinema 4D interface & tools
- · Navigating the viewport and layout customization
- Understanding object manager, attributes manager & timeline
- Working with basic shapes & primitives
- · Saving and exporting projects

Module 2: Modeling in Cinema 4D

- Polygon modeling fundamentals
- Subdivision surface modeling
- · Using deformers for non-destructive modeling
- Spline-based modeling & extrusions
- · Boolean operations for complex shapes
- · Hard surface vs. organic modeling

Module 3: Materials & Texturing

- · Understanding the material editor
- Creating basic materials & shaders
- UV mapping techniques
- · Using procedural textures & noise shaders
- Applying textures with projection methods
- · Working with Reflectance, Bump & Displacement

Module 4: Lighting & Rendering

- · Basic light types & their properties
- Three-point lighting setup
- Global Illumination & Ambient Occlusion
- · Physical vs. Standard Renderer
- Introduction to Redshift/Octane Render
- · Setting up final render output

Module 5: Animation Basics

- · Keyframe animation principles
- Motion curves & F-curves in the timeline
- · Using deformers for animation
- Camera animation techniques
- Looping animations & cycling keyframes
- Introduction to MoGraph for procedural animation

Module 6: Dynamics & Simulations

- Understanding rigid & soft body dynamics
- · Cloth simulation & settings
- Particle systems & effectors
- Fluid & smoke simulations
- Hair & fur system basics

Module 7: MoGraph & Advanced Motion Graphics

- · Cloner objects & effectors
- · Using Fields for procedural animation
- Working with MoText & typography animation
- Time-based animations & Sound Effector
- · Procedural workflows with Xpresso

Module 8: Compositing & Post-Production

- · Multi-pass rendering for compositing
- Working with After Effects & Cinema 4D integration
- Using Object Buffers & Render Passes
- Color grading & finishing touches
- · Exporting final animations

Module 9: Advanced Topics & Project-Based Learng

- Character rigging & animation
- Using third-party plugins (X-Particles, Forester, etc.)
- Creating a complex scene (real-world project)