

2-Day Product Design Workshop

Schedule and Directions

Schedule:

The website will become available at 9am, but the workshop has been planned around starting at 10am. For the first day of the workshop, you will be working on your own using an online resource with video tutorials. After you are emailed the website address, you can work at your own pace. The schedule below is a recommended way to spend your time. You are ultimately responsible for completing the video tutorials. Keep in mind that it is important to practice as you will use the skills you learn on day 1 to complete the design challenge on day 2. The videos listed as optional are not required but may be interesting. Time is scheduled at the end of day 1 to try out the practice projects, but you are encouraged to follow along with the videos to practice as well.

Here is the recommended schedule for the first day of the workshop:

10am-10:30am: Find the website, explore, and watch the safety and overview videos.

10:30am-12pm: Watch the Design Process series, watch the Sketching series, and practice sketching skills. Take out your fineliners and sign pens!

12pm-1pm: Watch the Cardboard series and practice with some real-life cardboard.

1pm-2pm: Break for Lunch

2pm-3:30pm: Watch the Foamcore and Blue foam series and follow along.

3:30pm-5pm: Practice Project time!

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Practice Projects: The practice projects are designed to give you some more hands on experience to reinforce your learning. You can find them under the "materials" link at the top of the page. These projects utilize a variety of skills from the video tutorials. The practice project pdfs are sized so that you can print them out and use them as patterns. Print them with the option to "fit to printable area." If you don't have access to a printer you can use the files labeled "with dimensions" and measure the patterns out on your own. Note that you will not have access to blue foam during the first day of the workshop, but you can use the handheld foam cutting kits to practice on Styrofoam purchased from Artist

and Craftsman. All of the procedures discussed regarding blue foam apply to white foam.

Communicating: I'll be available during the entire workshop for you to ask me questions. My basic info is at the end of this document. You can contact me by calling me, texting me, we can Skype, Google Hangout, Gchat, email, whatever. There will also be a Google group where questions can be posted for everyone to read and the answers will be accessible once answered. The Google group will be available at the same time the website is. I'll be checking in with you to make sure everything is working out ok during the day. Best of luck!

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