

Wire Frames in Fireworks Assignment.

In this assignment you will create two layouts for a fictitious site. One will be a symmetrical layout and the other asymmetrical layout. This is the first step to creating a site prototype. Remember – ***wireframes contain no color, pictures or graphics.*** A wireframe is simply the first stage in design to establish placement of objects

Create an Asymmetrical Layout

1. Use the handout “Making a Wireframe” illustrates this type of layout using the Rule of Thirds.
2. Using Adobe Fireworks, create a new FW document that is 960 pixels wide x 720 pixels high, resolution 72 ppi, white background.
3. Be sure the grid is in view (View>Grid) and that Guides are also in view (View>Guides). A good grid measurement is 40 or 80. Bring a guide in from a ruler to the center of your layout.
4. In the Pages palette options, designate the page as a Master. The master page included the design components that appear on every page in the site. Typical objects on a master page are the header banner, navigation bar, and footer.
5. Begin by designing the header banner. In the Layers palette save the layer as header. Lock the layer when completed.
6. Create a navigation bar using creating a menu of your choice. In the Layers palette save the layer as navigation. Lock the layer when completed.
7. The Master page is now complete. In the Pages options, add two more pages. Name one page as the home page, and name another page your choice.
8. Add content to the home page. Add boxes for image placement, text, and icons from the Common Library. Notice a new layer is created. Name the layer “Home Content”.
9. Now do the same for the other page making the content layout different. Perhaps more text, images etc.

Create a Symmetrical Layout

Repeat the above process but this time create a symmetrical layout. In this layout you will NOT use the Rule of Thirds. Instead, bring a guide from the left ruler and center on the canvas. Create a layout that is symmetrical in design. Remember, in symmetry, everything is centered.

When you have completed SAVE both layouts as fw.png files. Also - Export as PDF. You should have 4 completed files: The Fireworks Symmetrical layout, the Fireworks Asymmetrical layout, the Symmetrical PDF, and the Asymmetrical PDF. Attach each in the submission are of this assignment on Blackboard.