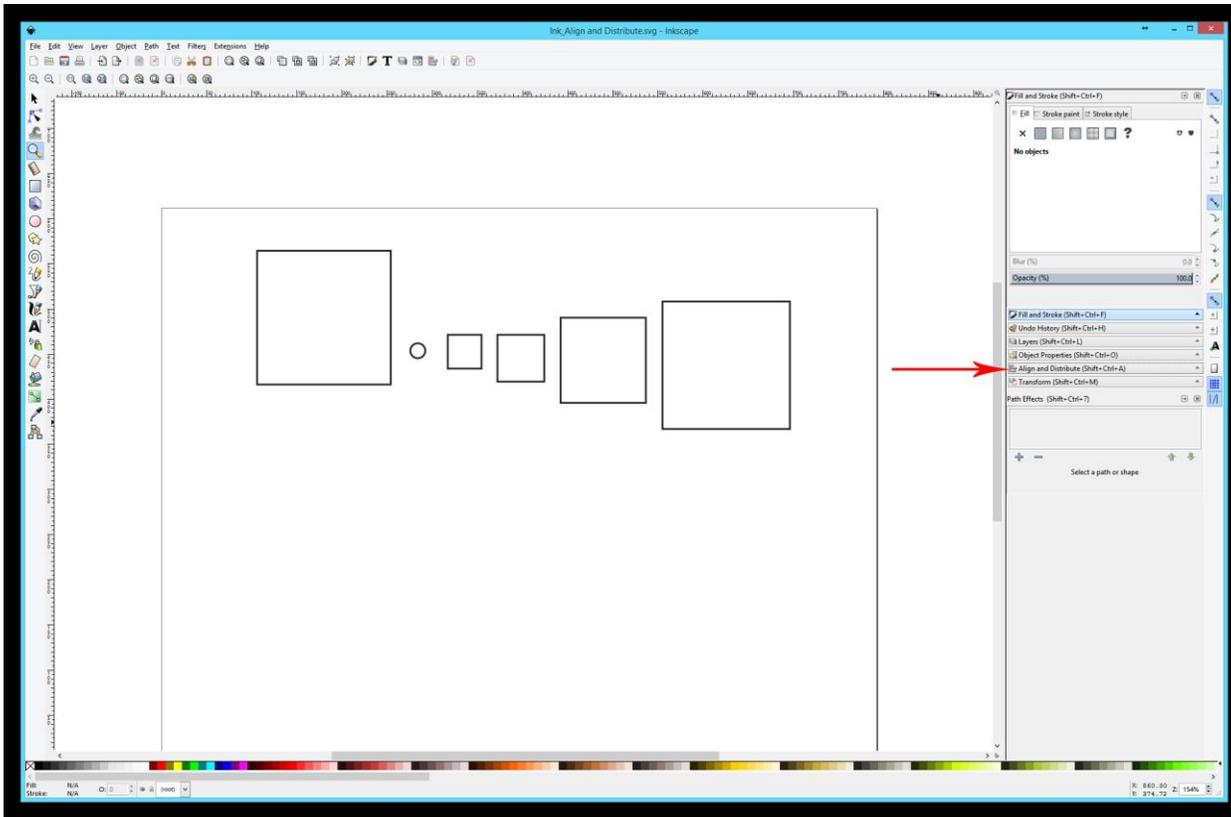


Align and Distribute

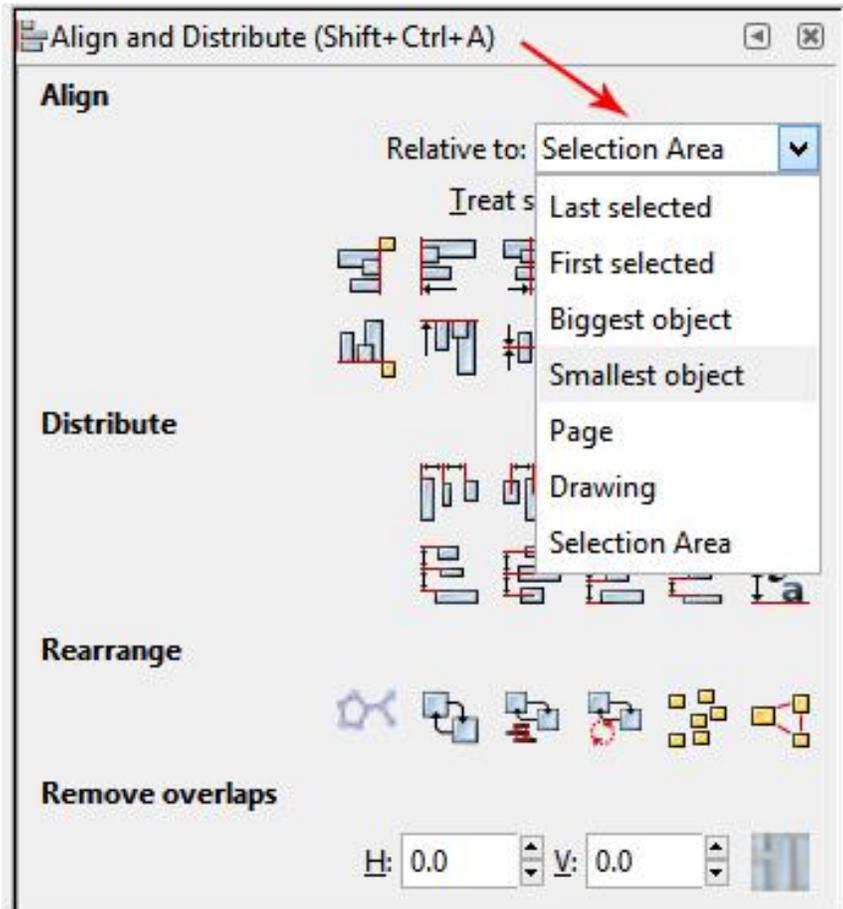
Inkscape has a phenomenal assortment of options for aligning and distributing your objects when several are selected. Open the **Align** menu on the sidebar by clicking the panel description icon.



Using the **Align** buttons makes it easy to perfectly center objects or distribute the spacing between objects with just a couple of mouse clicks. A few of the more commonly used **Align** and **Distribute** combinations are shown below. Play with them to get comfortable using them, they have excellent pop up descriptions. In addition, Inkscape provides options for aligning **Type** that come in very handy. (*note: Hovering the pointer over an icon will cause a description to pop up.*)

Note: if the tab is not found on right panel, you can open it by clicking Object>Align and Distribute or with key combo Shift-Ctrl-A

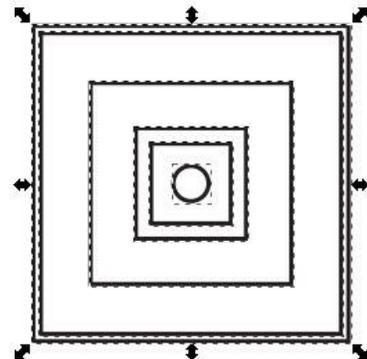
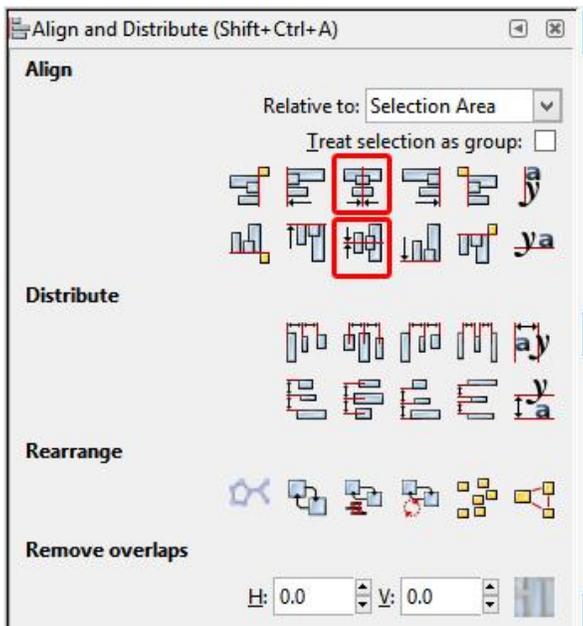
Inkscape has a much broader range of alignment options than Illustrator does.



And a few of the naming choices are very amusing....be sure to hover the mouse over the icons for a description.

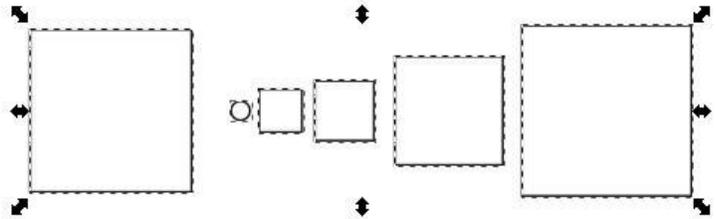
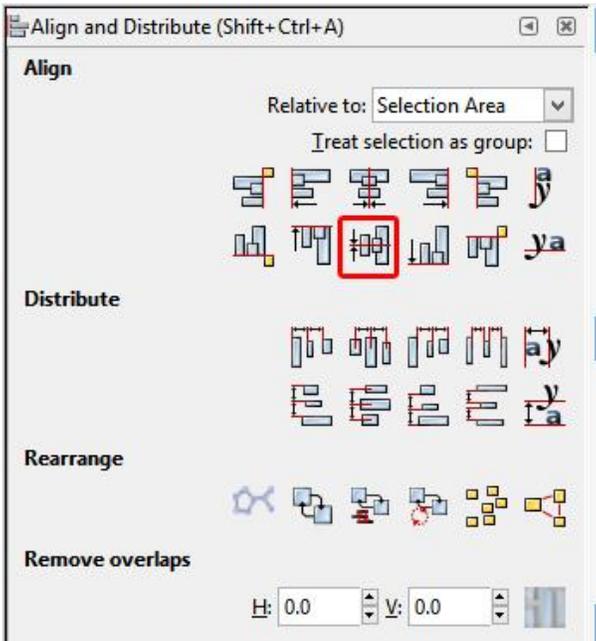
Center on Vertical and Horizontal Axes:

Select the objects and then click the two buttons shown. *(Either one first.)*



Center on Horizontal Axis:

Select the objects and click the button shown.



Make Horizontal Gaps Between Objects Equal:

The Distribution buttons make the **spaces** between parts of each shape equal.

