Bevel, Gardner &Associates Inc.

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CRIME SCENE RECONSTRUCTION

LEVEL 1



HOSTED BY:

Bellingham Police Department

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COURSE INSTRUCTORS

Ross M. Gardner worked for the United States Army Criminal Investigation Command (USACIDC) as a felony criminal investigator for nearly twenty years. He retired as a Command Sergeant Major and Special Agent in 1999 after serving a total of 24 years in US Army law enforcement. Mr. Gardner subsequently served four years as the Chief of Police for the City of Lake City Georgia, a small suburban Atlanta police department. He is now retired and active in independent consulting. Mr. Gardner holds a Master of Arts degree in Computer and Information Systems Management from Webster University, a Bachelors degree in Criminal Justice from Wayland Baptist University and Associates degree in Police Science from Central Texas College. He graduated first in his class at the Scenes of Crime Officers Course, New Scotland Yard, Hendon England in 1985 and between 1988 and 1996 served as an adjunct professor for Central Texas College in their police science program. He is a former President of the Rocky Mountain Association of Bloodstain Pattern Analysts (RMABPA), as well as the Association for Crime Scene Reconstruction (ACSR) and has served as the Chairmen of the Education Committee for both the RMABPA and the International Association of Bloodstain Pattern Analysts (IABPA). Mr. Gardner was recognized as a Distinguished Member of ACSR in 2006. He is a charter member of the FBI Scientific Workgroup on Bloodstain Pattern Analysis (SWGSTAIN) and served as the chairmen of the taxonomy and terminology subcommittee from 2002 until 2009.

Tom "Grif" Griffin has worked as a criminal investigator the Colorado Bureau of Investigation since 1982. He has provided analysis and testified as an expert witness in Colorado district courts and/or federal courts in bloodstain pattern interpretation/crime scene reconstruction and crime scene investigation and in the specialties of fire debris, controlled substances, and primer residue. Prior to working at CBI, he was a criminalist and crime scene investigator at the Greeley, Colorado Police Department. Griffin is International Association for Identification (IAI) certified as a Senior Crime Scene Analyst (CSCSA) and a Bloodstain Pattern Examiner (CBPE), and is a member of the IAI Bloodstain Pattern Examiner Certification Board. He is a charter member of the Scientific Working Group on Bloodstain Pattern Analysis (SWGSTAIN). He has served as president of the International Association of Bloodstain Pattern Analysts (IABPA), the Association for Crime Scene Reconstruction (ACSR), the Rocky Mountain Division of the IAI, and the Rocky Mountain Association of Bloodstain Pattern Analysts (RMABPA), as well as actively participating on various committees for these associations.



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ABOUT:

- > The examination of crime scenes using a methodical approach, in an attempt to capture as much physical evidence, in as pristine and usable condition as possible.
- > The techniques described in this class are recognized by an international organization of crime scene investigators and forensic scientists to be a standard approach to crime scene investigation.
- > This course is not a crime scene processing course.

PURPOSE:

> A course designed for investigators, crime scene technicians, forensic technicians, and others involved in criminal and medical-legal investigations and crime scene analysis. The course is intended to develop a fundamental knowledge of appropriate hypothesis development and testing procedures and provide an objective form of defining the events associated with a complex crime (Event Analysis).

OBJECTIVES:

- > Demonstrate knowledge of the development, history and advancement of crime scene analysis.
- > Identify the steps of scientific method.
- > Identify the seven steps of the methodology used in crime scene analysis.
- > Demonstrate the ability to develop a hypothesis in a written format and set an objective foundation for any ultimate conclusion.
- > Demonstrate the ability to objectively flow chart an incident, distinguishing relative chronology from absolute chronology.
- > Demonstrate an ability to evaluate a complex crime scene.

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Recommended hotels for each class location are listed online at www.bevelgardner.com/calendar.

TOPICS:

- > Crime scene reconstruction techniques
- > Event Analysis on many different questioned death scenes
- > Integration of forensic disciples
- > Scientific Method
- > Event flow charting
- > Review case analysis
- > Court admission
- > Re-enactment techniques
- > Writing a reconstruction report
- > Qualifying questions for court
- > Completing reconstruction of an actual case that has multiple victims, suspects, weapons and crime scenes

STUDENTS SHOULD BRING:

> A laptop, if possible





