

A forensic education and consulting group.

# CRIME SCENE RECONSTRUCTION

LEVEL 2



# **HOSTED BY**:

Montgomery County Sheriff's Office

September 9-13, 2024

#### **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.

Celestina Rossi is the Senior Crime Scene Investigator with the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office Crime Laboratory in Conroe, Texas. She has a Master Peace Officer's License with 22 years of law enforcement experience. Since her promotion to the crime laboratory in 2002, she has been court qualified as an expert in latent print examination, bloodstain pattern analysis, crime scene reconstruction and shooting incident reconstruction. Cele is an Adjunct Instructor for the Texas Forensic Science Academy at the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) where she teaches multiple courses that include Forensic Technician (80 hrs), Bloodstain Pattern Analysis, and Processing Evidence of Violent Crimes. She is also an Adjunct Assistant Lecturer at Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas in the Forensic and Investigative Sciences Program, Department of Entomology where she teaches two mini-mester courses in Crime Scene Investigation and Latent Print Processing. Cele is the Secretary of the Texas Division of the IAI where she has served since 2006 and is a board member of the Operations Committee of the Southeast Texas Applied Forensic Science Facility (STAFSF) at Sam Houston State University. She is also currently the Chairman of the Board for the Association of Crime Scene Reconstruction and the Sergeant-at-Arms for the International Association for Bloodstain Pattern Analysis. \*Course instructors subject to change.



A forensic education and consulting group.

The Bevel, Gardner & Associates staff:

President: Tom Bevel

Vice President: Ross M. Gardner

Partners: Tom "Grif" Griffin Craig Gravel Jonathyn Priest

> Associates: Kim Duddy Ken Martin David Dustin

#### MAILING ADDRESS

7601 Sunset Sail Ave. • Edmond, OK 73034

#### CORPORATE

bevelgardner@cox.net • 405-447-4469

#### TRAINING COORDINATOR

rcgravel@bevelgardner.com • 405-706-8489

f) 🕑

### REGISTER

ONLINE: www.BEVELGARDNER.com PHONE: Craig at 405-706-8489

#### 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 of instruction designed for investigators, crime scene technicians, forensic technicians, and others practicing crime scene analysis. The course will enhance basic skills and develop advanced skills used to analyze complex crime scenes. Additionally the student will be given an opportunity to practice their analysis skills and see how to properly present their findings at court.

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

- > Demonstrate proper use of the Event Analysis technique to define objective information about a criminal incident.
- > Understand functional methods and techniques of creating demonstrative evidence to illustrate their analysis.
- > Understand and demonstrate how to properly withstand Daubert type hearings on crime scene analysis.
- > Understand and demonstrate an ability to articulate their analysis to a jury.

## REGISTER

#### ONLINE: www.BEVELGARDNER.com PHONE: Craig at 405-706-8489

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

#### **REQUIREMENTS:**

> Basic Crime Scene Reconstruction

