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Buried Body and Surface Skeletons

By

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ABOUT YOUR INSTRUCTOR:

Jan Johnson is retired from the State of Florida with over forty years experience in law enforcement. After ten years with the F.B.I., Jan made the transition to crime scene analysis. She is recognized by the IAI as a Certified Senior Crime Scene Analyst and worked for FDLE in Pensacola, Florida for over twenty-two years. As a laboratory analyst and crime scene examiner, her field of experience includes detection, collection, and preservation of physical evidence, bloodstain pattern interpretation, trajectory analysis, buried body and skeletal remains recovery, clandestine laboratories, and numerous other procedures involving crime scene investigations. Due to her expertise in bloodstain pattern interpretation and crime scene reconstruction and analysis, Jan has testified in hundreds of criminal cases as an expert witness. Before retiring in 2004, Jan spent three years with the Escambia County Sheriff's Office as supervisor of the Crime Scene and Latent Print units, as well as overseer of ECSO's new crime lab, which she designed. Jan served in the highly distinguished role of President of the IAI in 2004, and Chairman of the Board in 2005, and considers herself honored to have been on the IAI's original Crime Scene Certification Board. Jan has served as President for the Florida Division of the IAI in 2007 as well as Chairman of the Board in 2008. She continues to serve on various committees within both the IAI and FDIAl. Jan has taught numerous courses in the areas of both Crime Scene and Bloodstain Pattern Interpretation and Crime Scene Reconstruction in the United States and abroad, including South Africa, Brazil, and Bermuda.



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COURSE DATES: DECEMBER 5 - 9, 2016
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

LOCATION: PALM SPRINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT
226 CYPRESS LANE- COMMUNITY ROOM
PALM SPRINGS, FL 33461

HOSTING AGENCY'S RECOMMENDED LODGING: HILTON-PALM BEACH AIRPORT
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BURIED BODY & SURFACE SKELETONS



COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This comprehensive 40-hour course is designed for crime scene investigators, detectives, crime laboratory analysts and others in the field of forensic science that need the basic training and techniques for the buried body or surface skeleton crime scene examination and recovery. This course will assist you in connecting all of the forensic pieces for the purpose of crime scene reconstruction. Mock scenes for this course are designed to assist the student in the importance of scene documentation, and to obtain the maximum and correct information for the ultimate crime scene reconstruction of both surface skeleton cases and more complex buried human cases. Attendees will be assigned to a crime scene team and will be responsible for the entire scene investigation and a presentation of their findings on the final class day. The teams will be graded on the amount of physical evidence (clues) that they recover from their scenes. The attendees will have a working knowledge of the techniques required to examine a surface skeleton and a buried body crime scene to include protocols, potential physical evidence awareness, equipment needs, bone identification and inventory, preservation of human remains procedures, search and documentation techniques, and courtroom case presentation experience.

Please note that expensive composite skeletons will be buried for the mock scene sites.

INCLUDED COURSE TOPICS:

- * Planning and management for mass grave sites
- * Scene security and search techniques
- * Excavation techniques: collection, and preservation of remains
- * Victim(s) Identification: race, stature, age, sex
- * Time of death estimation and cause of death determination
- * Crime scene documentation: Photography and Video
- * Note taking, report writing, and expert testimony

WHAT TO BRING TO THE COURSE:

Very casual attire, work shoes or boots, work gloves, kneepads, foul weather gear and a digital camera with macro capabilities is preferred; however 35mm camera may be used. A laptop computer for your courtroom presentations would be highly recommended

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This is a hands-on course that is specifically designed for crime scene officers with or without experience. This course is taught in a manner in which the crime scene officer can easily understand.

