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## American Society of Crime Lab Directors Crime Lab Minute

### General Announcements

Hi All:

I wanted to let you know of some exciting training being presented by RTI. Space is limited.

The Forensic Technology Center of Excellence announces its 2013 Technology Transition Workshop: *Technical Advances in the Visual Documentation of Crime Scenes*. See [https://www.forensiccoe.org/tech\\_workshops/visualDoc.aspx](https://www.forensiccoe.org/tech_workshops/visualDoc.aspx) for more information.

This onsite all travel-expense paid workshop will provide the attendee with the theory and foundational knowledge, as well as hands-on learning with the most prominent instruments being marketed: the PanoScan, the 3D Leica Scanner and SceneVision

They invite crime laboratory directors and managers for nominations. Space is limited so please see attached information sheet to learn more.

**Nominations received after April 30, 2013 will not be considered.**

Please reply to Shane Hamstra ([shamstra@rti.org](mailto:shamstra@rti.org); 919.541.7265) with your nomination and questions.

#### Thought for the Week

"I have never developed indigestion from eating my words."

Winston Churchill

Have a great week!

Jill Spriggs  
ASCLD President

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The [Preliminary Agenda](#) for the 2013 Symposium is now available on the ASCLD website. Submit your symposium [Registration Form](#) to the ASCLD office by April 8, 2013 to save 20% by avoiding late registration fees. Don't forget to make your hotel reservations for the 2013 ASCLD Symposium in North Carolina. The cut-off date is March 29, 2013 and fast approaching!

The [Call for Posters](#) is still open for the symposium. Please consider submitting an abstract for a poster. The deadline is April 7.

George Herrin  
ASCLD Communication Chair

## News Around the Globe

### [Robotics cuts crime lab back log](#)

Springfield News Sun

A \$500,000 robotics system has cut the turnaround time for DNA evidence analysis at the Miami Valley Regional Crime Lab from a six months back log to completion in two to four weeks. The faster turnaround means innocent suspects are ruled out quicker ...

### [Iowa House OKs DNA collection from more criminals](#)

kwwl.com

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) - The Iowa House has approved a measure that would require DNA collection from more criminals. The bill passed 79-18 Monday with bipartisan support. It moves to the

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state Senate for review. The measure would require DNA ...

### [Mathematics in Forensic Science](#)

Huffington Post

Today, mathematics lies behind expert conclusions on a hundred forensic matters from fingerprints to DNA. Statistics can be a precious tool when identifying the patterns behind confusing or misleading phenomena. The University of California at Berkeley ...

### [Privacy Flap Forces Withdrawal of DNA Data on Cancer Cell Line](#)

Science AAAS

On 11 March, the European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL) issued a press release proudly announcing that a research team there had deciphered much of the genetic sequence of one of the most widely used cell lines in cancer studies and had made ...

### [Oklahoma Senate panel OKs DNA testing bill](#)

Times Record News

Some convicted criminals could request DNA testing of evidence in their case under a bill that is heading to the full Senate for consideration. The Senate Judiciary Committee voted 8-0 on Tuesday for the Postconviction DNA Act by ...

### [Scientists discover new DNA regions associated with three cancers](#)

Los Angeles Times

For the last decade or so, cancer researchers have been working hard to ferret out the DNA changes associated with cancers and other common afflictions. They examine the DNA of large groups of people with and without certain diseases to see if any ...

### [Bill would allow DNA to stand in for suspect's name](#)

The Tennessean

"It clarifies once and for all that we can use a DNA profile to stop the running of the statute of limitations in those cases where we do have a DNA profile but we do not have a suspect in custody," Nashville District Attorney Torry Johnson said. "It ...

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### [Fossil DNA used to reset humanity's clock](#)

Ars Technica

Some time in humanity's past, a small group of Homo sapiens migrated out of Africa before spreading out to every possible corner of the Earth. All the women of that group carried DNA inherited from just one woman, commonly known as mitochondrial Eve, ...

### [Privacy vs. Public Interest: Vermont Justices Weigh DNA Law Merits](#)

Valley News

The Vermont Supreme Court yesterday weighed the constitutionality of a state law that allows authorities to collect DNA samples from defendants who have been charged, but not convicted, of felonies, touching on an issue that could ...

### [Crime lab worker fired again](#)

Canton Repository

A criminalist at the Canton-Stark County Crime Lab was fired for the second time in less than a year amid new accusations that he falsified documents and never performed gunshot residue tests on evidence in a 2011 murder trial as he had told a jury.

## *Training*

No-cost, NIJ Medicolegal Death Investigation online training program. The information available online at: <http://www.nfstc.org/apply-now-for-online-medicolegal-death-investigation-course/>

### [Essentials of Forensic Science for Legal Professionals](#)

West Virginia University. Currently accepting registration until March 4, 2013 for the 2013 Spring Essentials of Forensic Science for Legal Professionals program which is an onsite, NIJ sponsored event intended for prosecuting attorneys who work with a government agency.

### [ATF National Firearms Examiner Academy \(NFEA\)](#)

Registration for 2013-2014 session open until July 31, 2013 for apprentice/entry level firearm and toolmark examiners from Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies.

## *Opportunities*

[DNA Technical Lead](#), Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD), Las Vegas, NV, Expires: June 29, 2013

[Forensic Specialist I](#), Montgomery County Police Department, Gaithersburg, Maryland, Expires: April 16, 2013

[Forensic Scientist III/Quality Assurance Specialist-Latent Print Examiner](#), City of Saint Paul, St. Paul, Minnesota, Expires: April 15, 2013

[Latent Print Examiner](#), Colorado Bureau of Investigation, Grand Junction, CO, Expires: April 18, 2013

[Latent Print Examiner](#), Broward Sheriff's Office, Fort Lauderdale, FL, Expires: April 5, 2013

[DNA Criminalist I/II](#), San Diego Police Department, San Diego, CA 92101, Expires: May 10, 2013

[Forensic Scientist](#), Columbus Division of Police Crime Laboratory, Columbus, Ohio, Expires: April 1, 2013

[Forensic Scientist III – Quality Assurance Manager](#), Columbus Division of Police Crime Laboratory, Columbus, Ohio, Expires: April 15, 2013

[Forensic Scientist III – Forensic Biology](#), Columbus Division of Police Crime Laboratory, Columbus, Ohio, Expires: April 15, 2013

[Analytical Chemist Faculty](#), Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN, Expires: May 19, 2013

[Criminalist Supervisor](#), CA Department of Justice, State-wide, Expires: April 2, 2013

[Criminalist Manager](#), CA Department of Justice, State-wide, Expires: April 2, 2013

[Ohio Attorney General's Office – Bureau of Criminal Investigation Fellowship](#), The Ohio Attorney General's Office, London, Ohio, Expires: June 15, 2013

[Forensic Sciences Program Director](#), Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, NM, Expires: April 15, 2013

[Criminalist Specialist – FIREARMS](#), Houston Police Department Crime Lab, Houston, Texas, Expires: June 7, 2013

[Criminalist Specialist – SEROLOGIST](#), Houston Police Department Crime Lab, Houston, Texas, Expires: June 7, 2013

[Director of Forensic Studies – Tenure Track \(Open Rank\) Professor](#), University of Baltimore, Baltimore, MD 21201, Expires: June 3, 2013

## Conferences

May 5-9, 2013 ASCLD Symposium in Durham, NC. Jay Henry – Symposium Chair, [jhenry@utah.gov](mailto:jhenry@utah.gov)

May 20-24, 2013 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Advanced DNA Technical Workshop – Bode East, Amelia Island, FL. See [Bode East Conference](#) for more details.

June 7, 2013 The 4th Annual Prescription for Criminal Justice Forensics Conference at Fordham Law School in New York City. See [ABA forensics\\_2013.pdf](#) to review a complete brochure and to register for the conference

June 23-28, 2013 AFTE 44th Annual Training Seminar, Hyatt Regency in Albuquerque, NM. See [AFTE 2013 Seminar](#) for more information.

September 2-6, 2013 – 25th World Congress of the International Society for Forensic Genetics in Melbourne, Australia. For more information see: <http://isfg2013.org/>

September 23-26, 2013 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Advanced DNA Technical Workshop – Bode Mid-Atlantic, Charlottesville, VA. See [Bode Mid-Atlantic Conference](#) for more details.

September 29 – October 4, 2013 Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists Fall Meeting Dayton, Ohio. See [www.mafs.net](http://www.mafs.net) or [MAFS\\_2013](#) for more details.

October 7-11, 2013 Association of Forensic Quality Assurance Managers (AFQAM) Annual Training Conference, at The Genesee Grande Hotel in Syracuse, NY. Additional details are posted at [www.afqam.org](http://www.afqam.org).

August 31 – September 4, 2014: 22<sup>nd</sup> International Symposium on the Forensic Sciences in Adelaide, South Australia. See <http://anzfss.org.au/international-symposium/> for more information.

[Toxicology Supervisor](#), Metro Nashville Police Department Crime Laboratory, Nashville, TN, Expires: June 1, 2013

[Forensic Biology Section Supervisor](#), Virginia Department of Forensic Science, Roanoke, VA, Expires: April 11, 2013

[Quality Assurance Coordinator](#), Los Angeles County Coroner, Los Angeles, CA, Expires: May 26, 2013

[Forensic Scientist, Controlled Substances](#), Virginia Department of Forensic Science, Manassas, VA, Expires: May 27, 2013

[Forensic Chemist -2939](#), A-T Solutions, Ft. Gillem/Afghanistan, Expires: May 20, 2013

[Firearms and Tool Mark Examiner – 2937](#), A-T Solutions, Ft Gillem/ Afghanistan, Expires: May 20, 2013

[Program Manager – Chemistry](#), Virginia Department of Forensic Science, Richmond, VA, Expires: April 1, 2013

[Latent Print Examiner](#), A-T Solutions, Ft. Gillem/Afghanistan, Expires: May 14, 2013

[Evidence Custodian](#), A-T Solutions, Ft. Gillem/Afghanistan, Expires: May 14, 2013

[DNA Examiner](#), A-T Solutions, Ft. Gillem/Afghanistan, Expires: May 14, 2013

[Case File Manager](#), A-T Solutions, Ft. Gillem/Afghanistan, Expires: May 14, 2013

[Forensic Scientist II, III, IV & Supervisor](#), City of Phoenix, Phoenix, AZ, Expires: May 6, 2013

[Crime Scene Section Supervisor](#), City of Phoenix, Phoenix, AZ, Expires: May 6, 2013

[Criminalist – Toxicologist](#), Houston Police Department Crime Laboratory, Houston, Texas, Expires: May 3, 2013

[DNA Analyst/Forensic Science Officer – 2813](#), A-T Solutions, Deployed, overseas, Expires: May 5, 2013

[Forensic DNA Analyst](#), York County Sheriff's Office, York, SC (Charlotte Metro Area), Expires: April 1, 2013

[Sr. Investigator, Video Examiner](#), Target, Minneapolis, MN, Expires: April 30, 2013

[Forensic DNA Analyst](#), Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office DNA Laboratory, Harvey, LA, Expires: April 25, 2013

[Executive Director](#), Houston Forensic Science LGC, Inc., Houston, TX, Expires: April 19, 2013

[Regional Crime Laboratory Director](#), Wisconsin Department of Justice, Milwaukee, WI, Expires: April 1, 2013

[Forensic Scientist – Crime Scene Response](#), Washington State Patrol Crime Laboratory Division, Seattle WA, Expires: April 12, 2013