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# Palm Print Search & Comparison Techniques

**Instructor: Tom Hill and Stewart Mosher**

**April 1 - 3, 2020 | 8 am - 5 pm**

**Tuition: \$498**

#### Course Location:

Plantation Police Department  
451 NW 70th Terrace | Plantation, FL 33317

#### Lodging Information:

Sheraton Suites Plantation  
311 N University Drive | Plantation, FL 33324  
(954) 424-3300

Room Rate: \$127 plus tax

Booking Info: Call the hotel directly or use the booking link on the course page at [www.tritechtraining.com](http://www.tritechtraining.com)

This course has been approved for 24 hours of certification/re-certification training credits by both the IAI Latent Print Certification Board and the IAI Tenprint Fingerprint Certification Board.



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## ABOUT TRITECH

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## COURSE DESCRIPTION

# Palm Print Search & Comparison Techniques

Many latent print examiners, novice and expert alike, find conducting analysis and comparison on palm prints and the lower joints of the fingers to be challenging. However, there are many clues in the friction ridge skin of the hands that can make orientating, searching, and comparing these prints very easy. This three-day, Palm Print Search and Comparison Techniques, workshop is designed to introduce you to those clues to assist you in this process and help speed up the amount of time you spend trying to conduct your casework. By knowing these clues, the work you do on palm prints and the lower joints of the fingers will be quicker and more productive. Eventually, as you practice these hints over time, you will find that palm prints and lower joints of the fingers can be just as easy as fingerprints!

### Goals of the Workshop:

Because it specializes in palm prints, this workshop is designed to fill the training gap for novice latent print examiners who may not have had a palm print course or to serve as a refresher for veteran latent print examiners who have. Upon completion of this workshop, the student should gain knowledge of position orientation clues located within the ridge flow and creases of the palms of the hands. This information should assist the attendee with speed and efficiency when searching and orientating latent palm prints for either manual comparisons or automated searches. The practical exercises are designed to reinforce the topics covered in the lecture each day of the class and progressively increase in difficulty culminating in a final exam.

*Magnifiers are not required for this course, however, the student may bring their own if they prefer.*

## COURSE INSTRUCTORS

### TOM HILL

Tom Hill was employed with the City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department from 1973 to 2004, working in the Patrol Division, Detective Bureau and then became one of the first officers to be assigned to the Crime Scene Investigation Unit in the 1980s. His duties consisted of the investigation of any and all deaths, aggravated batteries, sexual battery, child abuse, and traffic homicide.

From 2005 to 2016 he worked with the Broward County Sheriff's Office in the Crime Scene Investigation Unit in a civilian capacity. There he was responsible for all digital imaging evidence, training new Crime Scene Detectives in Bloodstain Pattern Analysis, Crime Scene Photography and the chemical processing of blood scenes and evidence. He was also a Footwear Pattern Analyst and did comparisons for agencies throughout South Florida.

Tom was an Adjunct Professor with the Broward Community College Criminal Justice Institute from 1996 to 2000, teaching Forensic Photography. An Army veteran, Hill has a degree in Criminal Justice from St. Thomas University (Biscayne College 1981).

He is a member of the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 31, International Association of Bloodstain Pattern Analysis, IAI – Life Member and FDIAI, and he has published numerous articles on crime scene documentation. Hill has taught more than 50 classes to other investigators throughout South Florida and at conferences nationwide.



Stewart's 38-year law enforcement career spans the states of North Carolina and Florida. In 2016, he retired from the Broward Sheriff's Office with the rank of Sergeant after a 26-year tenure assigned to the Forensic Services – Crime Scene Unit. While doing so, he worked as a unit detective and a division supervisor.

Stewart was a state certified law enforcement officer and instructor. While serving in the crime scene unit his forensic expertise surrounded crimes specific to persons with serious injury, death investigations and law enforcement involved shooting incidents. Stewart has lead and coordinated the forensic investigations involving the assassination of thirteen law enforcement officers during his career.

He maintains his affiliation with the International Association for Identification (IAI) and the Florida Division of the IAI. He is also a past advisor for the Law Enforcement Innovation Center at the University of Tennessee where he is a graduate of The National Forensic Academy, Session VII.

### STEWART MOSHER