



2009 Enforcement Officials Fireworks Training Program

Friday, September 25, 2009 – 10 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Hilton Branson Convention Center, Branson, MO

The American Pyrotechnics Association (APA), is pleased to offer a comprehensive, day-long training session for members of the fire service and enforcement communities.

Training will include a review of applicable Federal regulations governing the fireworks industry including ATF, DOT, OSHA, CPSC, as well as NFPA industry consensus standards; along with on-going industry efforts to ensure best safety practices

This training program is a “must” for individuals new to the fire service or enforcement field as well as an excellent continuing education “refresher” course for veteran officials. Leading experts in the field of pyrotechnic safety will share their expertise and insights. Our special program will cover the three primary segments of the fireworks industry and leave ample time for Q&A’s.

Consumer (1.4G) Fireworks Instructor: Dr. John Conkling, renowned expert on fireworks

Commonly referred to as “backyard” fireworks; typically sold at retail outlets year round and at roadside stands during the time period leading up to the Independence Day holiday.

Topics will include:

- * Basic chemistry
- * Products & Packaging
- * Novelties
- * NFPA 1124 Retail Sales
- * Fireworks Testing
- * Handling Consumer Fireworks Emergencies
- * Warehouse Storage
- * How to Spot Illegal Explosives

Display (1.3G) Fireworks Instructor: Gregg Smith, APA Safety Program Manager

Products used by professional fireworks display companies & typically discharged for community events.

Topics will include:

- * Types of Displays
- * Display Site Venues
- * APA Display Operators Program
- * NFPA 1123 Overview
- * Fallout Zones & Weather
- * Safety Equipment & Set-Ups
- * Emergency Response Guidance

Proximate Pyrotechnics (Outdoor & Indoor) Instructor: Jon Berson, Pyro Spectaculars, Inc.

Products utilized by the entertainment industry at indoor (theatres, concerts, arenas) or outdoor venues (stadiums, amphitheaters, roof tops) where the audience is close up.

Topics will include:

- * NFPA 1126 Overview
- * Pre & Post Show Planning
- * Safety Requirements
- * Storage Requirements
- * Types of Devices
- * APA Proximate Pyro. Check-list
- * Fire Detection
- * Life Safety Systems

(Time permitting; attendees will have the opportunity to visit site setup for an APA Proximate display at the Landing)

Cost: \$75 full day training

** APA Fire Service Members receive complimentary registration for 2 attendees

Registration fee includes all training materials (manual & DVDs), lunch, and refreshment breaks.

** Seminar Attendees are also invited to tour the APA Trade Show

Space is Limited - Please Register Today! Deadline is August 31, 2009

Hotel Information and Registration Form Attached

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2009**

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REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Title: _____

Organization: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

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Enforcement Officials Training Program _____ x \$75
September 25, 2009 10 am – 5 pm (includes lunch)

Celebrate the Ozarks with Mark Twain & Fireworks _____ x \$55
September 25, 2009 7 pm – 10 pm

Saturday Night Dinner & Fireworks at The Chateau _____ x \$65
September 26, 2009 6 pm - 11 pm (includes transportation)

Total Amount Due: _____

**** All Attendees are invited to tour the APA Trade Show
Social event tickets for Friday & Saturday evenings may be purchased for spouses**

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Payment Method: Credit Card Check Enclosed

Credit Card Number: _____ Exp Date: _____

Card Holder Name: _____

MAIL OR FAX COMPLETED FORM TO APA BY AUGUST 31, 2009

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61st Convention & Trade Show September 22-26, 2009

Hilton Branson Convention Center

200 East Main Street
Branson, Missouri



Hotel Reservations

Please make your room reservations at the Hilton Branson Convention Center by:



Calling The Convention Center at **(866) 442- 0959** – Make sure to mention you are with the American Pyrotechnics Association Convention

Or

Using the convenient on-line reservation capability through a dedicated website at the following link:

www.bransonconventioncenter.hilton.com/APA2009

By making your reservations via phone or on-line you will be guaranteed the Convention rate of **\$159 + tax a night Single/Double** occupancy.

Your room request must be received by the cut-off date, Friday, August 19, 2009, after that date the \$159 rate will only be on a space available basis.

Air Transportation

Air: **Air Tran** and **Sun Country** airlines offer flights in and out of the new Branson airport (BKG). See www.flybranson.com for details.



If flying AirTran, make sure to receive the special 10% discount on lowest available fare by making your reservations through the EventSavers desk at **1-866-683-8368**. Please provide the event name (APA 2009 Convention) and event code (BKG092209).

Five airlines service the Springfield National airport (SGF) a short 45 minute drive to Branson. Consult www.flyspringfield.com for information.

Ground Transportation

Convention attendees are strongly encouraged to plan ahead and make transportation arrangements through Gray Line **(417) 332-2227**. They are offering APA members a discounted fee for taxi service from both the Branson and Springfield airports to the Hilton Branson Convention Center.

From the Branson airport: Taxi (approximately \$22)

From the Springfield airport: Taxi (approximately \$80 for up to 5 people)

* Limited on-site taxis and they will charge meter rates – approx. \$120.00.

One must call ahead to reserve service at the \$80 rate.

Six car rental agencies are available: Avis, Budget, Enterprise, Hertz, National and Thrifty.