

**THE MOB MUSEUM**

National Museum of Organized Crime & Law Enforcement®

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LAB



## FACT SHEET: CRIME LAB EXPERIENCE

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- DESCRIPTION:** Designed in the spirit of a science center discovery room, the Crime Lab offers guests a hands-on, multimedia exploration of five different forensic science techniques used to prosecute criminals. Guests can choose the order in which they explore the Crime Lab during the 30-minute facilitated experience, which is guided by a Museum educator. While spending time at each station, guests will acquire a foundational understanding of death investigation, DNA extraction and profiling, fingerprint analysis, crime scene investigation and firearms examination.
- LAUNCH DATE:** February 14, 2018
- CONTRIBUTORS:**
- The Mob Museum
  - Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department
- DURATION:** 30 minutes
- TOP GUEST TAKEAWAY:** Participants acquire a foundational hands-on understanding of essential investigative techniques used in solving crimes today.
- COST:** Click [here](#) for ticketing information.
- HANDS-ON FORENSIC SCIENCE STATIONS:**
- **Death investigation** features a touch table on which guests will learn about the work of forensic pathologists. They will examine a representation of a deceased individual to determine the cause and manner of death. Three different death investigation scenarios are presented at this station, each one drawn from a real-life organized crime figure's death.
  - **DNA profiling** is the process of comparing DNA samples to determine if there's a match. This interactive illustrates how DNA is physically extracted from crime scene evidence and matched with a suspect.

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- At the **fingerprint analysis** station, guests have their fingerprints taken with a digital scanner and then they determine what kind of fingerprints they have. They learn how fingerprints are recovered from a crime scene and what fingerprint analysts are looking for to determine an accurate match.
- **Crime scene investigation** describes different types of evidence that can be found at a crime scene. A moving magnifying glass allows guests to take a close look at what crime scene analysts find.
- At the **firearms examination** station, guests use a comparison microscope to compare marks on fired bullets to find matches. This station also has an artifact case featuring tools of the forensic trade.

**AGE  
REQUIREMENT:**

11 and older

**HIGH-RES PHOTOS  
AND B-ROLL:**

[Click here for high-res photos and b-roll](#)

**ABOUT THE  
MUSEUM:**

The Mob Museum, the National Museum of Organized Crime and Law Enforcement, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, provides a world-class journey through true stories—from the birth of the Mob to today’s headlines. The Mob Museum offers a provocative, contemporary look at these topics through hundreds of artifacts and immersive storylines. Numerous interactive exhibits include a Crime Lab, Firearm Training Simulator and Organized Crime Today exhibit. The Museum is also home to The Underground, a Prohibition history exhibition featuring a speakeasy and distillery sponsored by Zappos. The Mob Museum has accumulated numerous accolades, including being named one of TripAdvisor’s “Top 25 U.S. Museums,” one of Las Vegas Weekly’s “Twenty Greatest Attractions in Las Vegas History,” one of National Geographic’s “Top 10 Things to Do in Las Vegas,” USA Today’s “Best Museum in Nevada” and No. 1 in the 2020 10Best Readers’ Choice travel awards for “Best Las Vegas Attraction” and one of its “12 Can’t Miss U.S. Museum Exhibits,” “A Must for Travelers” by The New York

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Times and one of “20 Places Every American Should See” by FOX News. The Museum is a two-time winner of the Mayor’s Urban Design Award for Historic Preservation and Adaptive Reuse and is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums. The Museum is open daily; visit the website for admission rates and operating hours.

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