



PAINT MATTERS



MPI Updates

MDue to the pandemic, the MPI Summit, previously scheduled for both October this year and February next year, will now take place on August 18th/19th 2021 at the AIA headquarters. There will be precautions in place, plus an option to attend virtually if required.

SSPC/NACE announced on September 21 that the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General has issued a statement of no objection to the combination of the two organizations. This milestone represents the last approval needed to combine the associations. Stay informed with monthly Town Hall meetings.

Register: https://lnkd.in/dp_iRmt

MPI will be launching the new Approved Product Category MPI 142 X-Green this month. To be eligible for this category, the product must first be approved in the [MPI 142](#).

Please [CONTACT US](#) with any Questions

Pass results



Congratulations to the Latest MPI Level 1, 2A & 2B Training Grads
Level 1 [Essentials of Paint & Painting Technology](#).

- Kyle Conrad, MARTIN SPECIALTY COATINGS
- Anita Agustin, Davies Paints
- Brad Thompson
- Aurelian Corbeanu, United Decorating Inc.
- Nilang Joshi, United Supreme Group Inc.

Level 2A [Architectural Painting](#)

- William Lynch, Benjamin Moore
- Erik Leshner, Benjamin Moore
- Niall OBrien
- Tod Wray, Benjamin Moore

Level 2B [Maintenance Repainting](#).

- John Murray, Benjamin Moore
- Francena Feilback, Benjamin Moore

Level 3 [Inspection](#).

- Mike Parsons

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MPI TRAINING ACCREDITED PROGRAM

MPI Training accredited is the preferred industry minimum level of training for contractors. It is also more frequently becoming listed as a requirement in project specifications.

The MPI Training accredited program consists of 3 individual training courses that cover a vast range of industry topics/requirements:



Architectural
Painting



Essentials of Paint &
Painting Technology



Maintenance
Repainting

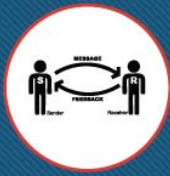


“Great course to take and appreciate the service I received from Lucy; very helpful.”

Gus Maseba
MPI 2



Immediate Need for MPI Certified Architectural Coatings Inspectors



The Role Of An Architectural Coatings Inspector

Architectural Coatings Inspectors are there to provide quality assurance to a coating project.

There are three main areas that an Architectural Coatings Inspector can assist with:

Specification

An Architectural Coatings Inspector will write full, comprehensive and site-specific coatings specifications for Architectural coatings projects, based on the MPI Standards and Systems.

The specifications:

- Identifies the scope of work, surface preparation and application procedures.
- Outline precisely the work and methods to be used.

Bid Tour (owner's selected painting contractors)

On completion of the specification, and with approval by the owner's representative an Architectural Coatings Inspector can arrange a bid tour to:

- Advise on what to look for when choosing a paint contractor
- Clearly identify area of concern and answer any questions arising from the specification.
- Allow for any addendums to the specification.

Inspection – Paint Quality Assurance

The Architectural Coatings Inspector will schedule an inspection program, with the number of site visits based on the size and complexity of the project. This would include regular site visits/inspections, followed up by clear and concise reports sent to all concerned parties at each stage of the coating project.

The inspections include:

- Inspection of substrates to ensure adequate surface preparation.
- Temperature, moisture and humidity tests to ensure conditions are appropriate.
- Ensure that products used are the correct [MPI Approved Products](#)
- Overview of workmanship to enforce conformance to MPI standards.

Why hire an Architectural Coatings Inspector?

The cost of hiring an Architectural Coatings Inspector for a coatings project is worth it, as they can save the extra time and money that would have to be spent if a coatings failure was to occur for any reason, for example:

- Poorly written specification.

- Inadequate surface preparation
- No consideration for the environmental conditions.

How to find a qualified Architectural Coatings Inspector?

MPI have a program to certify '[MPI Certified Architectural Coatings Inspectors](#)' - Only inspectors that have completed all 4 levels of the MPI Training program, plus the Professional Education and Knowledge Appraisal (PEKA), which includes the completion of case studies and a peer review, are to be considered '[MPI Certified Architectural Coatings Inspectors](#)'. The list can be found here - [LINK](#)

For more information on being certified as an '[MPI Certified Architectural coatings inspector](#)' – [CLICK HERE](#)

Professional Tip

There is a limit to the number of coats of paint that a surface can support. As the paint thickness builds up over time, and the coatings get older, they lose their flexibility.



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