

STRATEGIC SHOVELING: THE NEXT FRONTIER IN COMPANION RESCUE

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About the Presenters

Bruce Edgerly, 47, is vice president and co-founder of Backcountry Access, Inc. (BCA), a leading manufacturer and distributor of ski touring and snow safety equipment, based in Boulder, Colo. Bruce is an avid backcountry skier and whitewater kayaker. He holds an engineering degree from Brown University and a masters degree in business administration from the University of Colorado at Boulder. He is a qualified Level 1 avalanche instructor with AIARE (American Institute of Avalanche Research and Education). He is also the survivor of a 1994 avalanche burial at Berthoud Pass.

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