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Gerry Davis, a 29-year Major League Umpire, will serve as the chief for the 108th World Series and will be behind the plate for Wednesday's Game One of the 2012 Fall Classic between the American League Champion Detroit Tigers and the National League Champion San Francisco Giants at AT&T Park, when play gets underway, today.

Davis will lead a crew featuring fellow regular season crew chiefs Brian Gorman and Joe West along with Fieldin Culbreth, Dan Iassogna and Brian O'Nora.

This is the fifth World Series assignment for both Davis, who was a Fall Classic Umpire in 1996, 1999 and 2004 before being appointed crew chief for the 2009 World Series, and 35-year Major League Umpire West, who worked the World Series in 1992, 1997, 2005 and 2009. This marks the third World Series for Gorman (2004, 2009), the second for Culbreth (2008) and the first for both Iassogna and O'Nora.

When Davis works Game One, he will set a new record for the most Postseason games umpired in Major League history. After handling five games in the 2012 Division Series, Davis has worked 111 Postseason games, matching retired umpires Jerry Crawford and Bruce Froemming for the most ever.

Each of the six World Series umpires was assigned to a 2012 Division Series, for which Davis, Gorman and West were series crew chiefs. The rotation for the 2012 Fall Classic, which will be covered by FOX Sports and ESPN Radio, follows:

WS GAME ONE	UMPIRE	PREVIOUS CAREER POSTSEASON ASSIGNMENTS
HP	Gerry Davis*	11 DS; 8 LCS; 4 WS
1B	Dan Iassogna	5 DS; 1 LCS
2B	Fieldin Culbreth	5 DS; 6 LCS; 1 WS
3B	Brian O'Nora	5 DS; 1 LCS
LF	Brian Gorman^	10 DS; 4 LCS; 2 WS
RF	Joe West^	7 DS; 7 LCS; 4 WS

Indicates World Series Crew Chief; ^ - Indicates Regular Season Crew Chief

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