

Registration for the Forensic Pieces of Staged Crime Scene Investigations

COURSE DATES

October 14 – 16, 2026 | Wednesday to Friday
Time: 8:00 am – 5:30 pm

COURSE LOCATION

City of Aurora Public Safety
Training Center (CAPSTC)
25950 E. Quincy Avenue
Aurora, CO 80016

COURSE HOST

Aurora Police Department
Kimberly Gilbreath
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Phone: (303) 739-6239

COST: \$495

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: FORENSIC PIECES, INC.
TIN# 900496490. CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS ARE ALSO ACCEPTED.
PLEASE **NOTE**: A 3.5% NONREFUNDABLE CARD PROCESSING FEE IS
ADDED TO THE COURSE TOTAL IF A CREDIT CARD IS USED. PLEASE
MAIL CHECKS TO FORENSIC PIECES (CONTACT INFO BELOW).



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Web: www.forensicpieces.com

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brochure for Instructor Bio, Course
Description and Topics, Who Should
Attend & Recommended Lodging.**

In Honor of Our Beloved Founder of Forensic Pieces Inc., Jan Johnson, CSCSA

We commit to you the same techniques, structure, and integrity that our fearless leader Jan Johnson carried with her to every scene, every training, every conference, every time.

It will be our constant goal to strive, meet, and exceed the extremely high standards set by the one who led thousands all over the world to success in the areas of Crime Scene Investigation, Bloodstain Pattern Analysis, Shooting Reconstruction, Crime Scene Reconstruction, and so much more.

Each instructor and training will reflect the legacy Jan wanted for her company and the forensic community. We appreciate all the continued support as we forge our new path forward. As Jan Johnson would always say:

Full Speed Ahead!

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This is a hands-on course that is specifically designed for patrol officers, investigators, detectives, and crime scene personnel or without experience.

WHAT TO BRING?

Casual attire is suitable. It is highly recommended that students bring a laptop computer as well as a digital camera, however it is not required to attend this training.

RECOMMENDED LODGING

Fairfield Inn by Marriott
24192 E. Prospect Avenue
Aurora, CO 80016
(303) 928-7500 | [Reserve](#)

Hampton Inn & Suites
19010 Cottonwood Drive
Parker, CO 80138
(303) 841-2977 | [Reserve](#)

MEET YOUR INSTRUCTOR

Dr. Michael Berkland, D.O.

A highly experienced forensic pathologist with over 30 years in the field, holding triple board certifications in Anatomic, Clinical, and Forensic Pathology. Trained in the U.S. Army, he has served as a Chief and Deputy Chief Medical Examiner in various locations and was previously certified as a Senior Crime Scene Analyst with the IAI.

Dr. Berkland has examined over 3,000 crime scenes and specializes in forensic subspecialties like shooting reconstruction and child fatalities. His instruction reflects the legacy Jan wanted and offers comprehensive learning experience, integrating crime scene analysis with courtroom insights, tailored for professionals in the field.

For his full biography, please visit our "Meet Your Instructors" section of our webpage at www.forensicpieces.com.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Any deliberate effort made by an offender before police arrive to alter the pristine condition of a crime scene to purposely thwart the investigation and frustrate the overall criminal justice process is the essence of crime scene staging. Crime scene staging could be increasing due to public fascination with crime scene related media, enhanced awareness of forensic science application, and/or offenders' belief in their understanding of how crime scenes should look. This comprehensive, 24-hour course is designed for crime scene investigators, detectives, crime laboratory analysts, and other forensic professionals involved in crime scene examination related work. This course explores what is known about crime scene staging and instructs students on how to use a new methodology for the early detection and analysis of potentially staged crime scenes. This course also integrates critical documentation techniques used to create a permanent record of bloodstain pattern evidence and/or firearms-related incident evidence for the purpose of a comprehensive, multi-disciplinary crime scene reconstruction towards supporting or refuting claims made by a would-be crime scene stager.

These 24 course hours have been approved by the International Association of Identification (IAI) to be applied to credit hours used to acquire IAI Crime Scene Certification as well as re-certification.

COURSE TOPICS

Equivocal Death Investigations, Historical Perspectives, Incidental Altercation in Scenes, Types of Crime Scene Staging, Primary Scenes, Secondary vs Tertiary Scenes, Red Flag Indicators, Note Taking, Report Writing, General Documentation of Physical Evidence, Biological Evidence Detection and Collection, Other Evidence to be Aware of and Collected, Profiling the Stager, Case Examples of Staged Scenes for Problem Solving.