



2026 SHOW GUIDE: EDUCATION & COURSES

Yankee Security Convention – Join us for our 46th Show

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2026: THE FUTURE IS CONNECTED.
LOCK, TECH, INTEGRATION

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A MESSAGE FROM THE THE BOARD

On behalf
of the Board of Directors,
**WELCOME TO THE
YANKEE SECURITY CONVENTION.**

This year marks our 46th annual event and we are pleased
to be back again at the Mass Mutual Center
in Springfield, MA, **October 20 – 24, 2026.**

The Yankee Security Convention boasts training, educational courses, hands-on
demonstrations, exhibits, social and networking opportunities to grow your
business at one of the LARGEST shows in North America.

We have a variety of full-day, evening and Saturday classes and events. This
booklet will provide you with more information on our classes and instructors.

Registration for the show, classes, and special events opens soon.
Anticipated date for class registration starts in August 2026.
For more information, visit www.yankeesecurity.org.

ABOUT YANKEE SECURITY CONVENTION:

The Yankee Security Convention is a not-for-profit corporation, run by volunteer
Directors. The organization was formed in 1978 by a group of New England locksmiths
who saw the need to provide educational seminars and focus on the advancement of
the trade.

The Convention supports the **Yankee Scholarship Foundation**, which provides
educational support to locksmiths and their families.

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SHOW SCHEDULE



This year's theme, "The Future is Connected: Lock, Tech, Integration" will bring together security, locksmith, and other professionals for five days of educational classes and two days with dedicated trade show hours featuring today's leading manufacturers, suppliers, and distributors.

2026 promises a dynamic curriculum designed for both seasoned professionals and beginners. Offering something for everyone, with full-day, evening, and Saturday sessions to take your knowledge to the next level.

Don't miss out, sign up for classes early! Our most popular courses and events fill up quickly, so don't forget to register to be part of this industry tradition.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2026 – FULL-DAY CLASSES – 8AM – 5PM

EVENING TRAINING CLASSES – 7PM – 9PM

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2026 – FULL-DAY CLASSES – 8AM – 5PM

EVENING TRAINING CLASSES – 7PM– 9PM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2026 – FULL-DAY CLASSES – 8AM – 5PM

NO EVENING CLASSES

THURSDAY EVENING NETWORKING EVENT

YANKEE SECURITY KICK-OFF SOCIAL – 6PM – 9PM – Our 4th Annual Event!

Stone Haven Room, Sheraton Hotel, 1 Monarch Place, Springfield, MA

Free appetizers and cash bar. **Must register to attend**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2026 – HALF DAY CLASSES – 8AM – 12PM

TRADE SHOW OPENS – 12PM – 5PM (FRIDAY HOURS)

FRIDAY EVENING NETWORKING EVENT – ASSA ABLOY ANNUAL LOCKSMITH & DISTRIBUTION PARTY

5PM – 9PM, Mass Mutual Ball Room, Springfield, MA

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026 – ALLEGION'S HOT BREAKFAST & MORNING CLASS

9AM – 11AM – Room TBD

TRADE SHOW OPENS – 11AM – 4PM (SATURDAY HOURS)

REGISTRATION OPENS IN AUGUST 2026

Visit www.yankeesecurity.org to register for classes and the trade show.

REGISTER NOW

**CHECK OUT THE SHOW FLOOR FOR
THE LATEST PRODUCTS & SERVICES**

DOOR PRIZES EVERY HOUR DURING THE SHOW! 2

TUESDAY CLASSES



CLASS #1:

Class Title: Introduction to Automotive Locksmithing

Instructors: Steve Gaudette, CAI and Josh Oakes

Sponsor: Lock Labs

Tuesday, Oct 20th

8am - 5pm

Room: Classroom 1

Cost \$325

Course Description:

Designed for students with little to no experience in automotive locksmithing, this course starts from the ground floor and builds a strong foundation in the trade.

Topics covered include the history of automotive security, understanding car keys, transponder systems, vehicle entry, lock decoding, lock rekeying and repair, key cutting, key programming, transponder chip cloning, an introduction to Original Lishi tools, automotive locksmithing resources, tool selection, key cutting machines, and key programmers.

Whether you own a locksmith shop and are considering adding automotive services, or you simply want a better understanding of what your technicians are doing in the field, this class is an excellent starting point.



TUESDAY CLASSES



CLASS #2:

**Class Title: Code Considerations& Preparing
Your Facility for Fire Door Inspections**

Instructor: Matt Smith, John Kowal & Steve Monroe

Sponsor: Allegion

Tuesday, Oct 20th

8am – 5pm

Room: Classroom 2

Cost: \$325

Course Description:

Have you heard about the fire door inspection requirements as prescribed by NFPA 80, 2022 edition?

Do you know what you need to do for your facility or those of your customers when the requirements are adopted by your local building code?

Focusing on swinging doors and their corresponding fire door hardware, this class will assist in compliance with these important fire life safety requirements.

In addition to fire door inspection training, Allegion will review local and changing codes (fire, life safety, ADA) in the Northeast.

Upon Completion of this course, you will be able to:

- Describe the requirements to inspect fire doors as prescribed by NFPA 80, 2022 edition
- Define the required parts of a fire door assembly and the purpose these components serve
- Explain the importance of maintaining and inspecting fire doors
- Refer to the list of the 13 items that, at minimum, must be verified for their proper operation
- List ways to correct common code violations
- Propose potential next steps to help prepare your facility

TUESDAY CLASSES



CLASS #3A:

Class Title: Low Voltage School – Day One of Three

Instructor: Rodger Schmidt

Sponsor: ASSA ABLOY

Tuesday, Oct 20th

8am – 5pm

Room: Classroom 3

Cost: \$825

Course Description:

Low Voltage Electricity, Simply Circuit Development, Wiring & Troubleshooting
(with new exercises and updates)

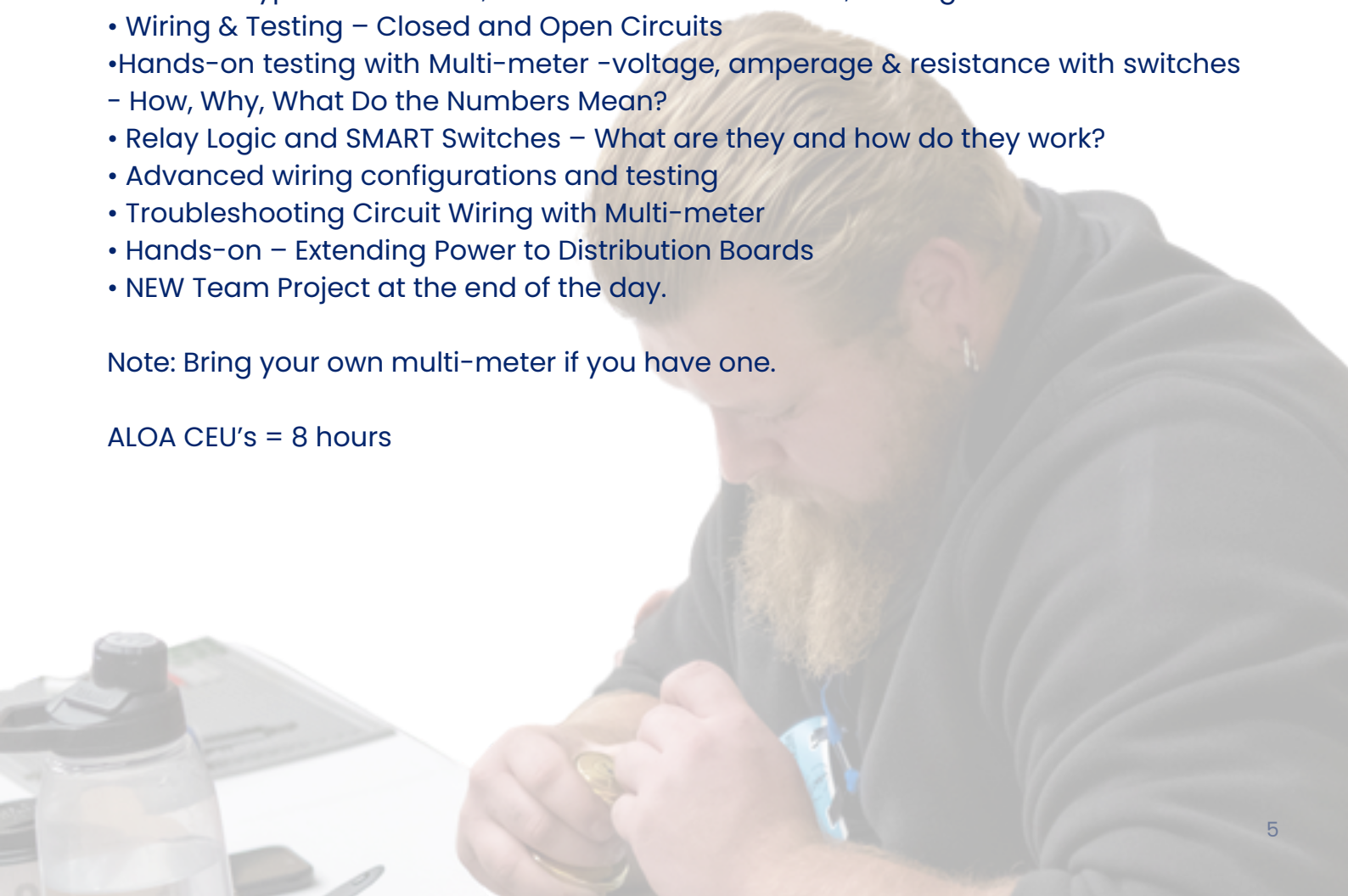
Note: Students must take all classes #3A, #3B, and #3C. Please register separately for each class, you will NOT be automatically enrolled.

Educational section: Learning the terms we commonly use. Hands-on training with circuits, switches, locks, and POWER with Distribution Boards. lots of Circuit Drawing.

- Voltage, Amperage and Resistance – AC/DC
- Circuit Development and Lots of Circuit Drawing Exercises throughout
- Different types of Switches, Circuits & Electronic Locks; Testing devices-hands-on
- Wiring & Testing – Closed and Open Circuits
- Hands-on testing with Multi-meter -voltage, amperage & resistance with switches – How, Why, What Do the Numbers Mean?
- Relay Logic and SMART Switches – What are they and how do they work?
- Advanced wiring configurations and testing
- Troubleshooting Circuit Wiring with Multi-meter
- Hands-on – Extending Power to Distribution Boards
- NEW Team Project at the end of the day.

Note: Bring your own multi-meter if you have one.

ALOA CEU's = 8 hours



TUESDAY CLASSES



CLASS #4:

Class Title: Medeco 4 Factory Certification

Instructor: Clyde T. Roberson

Sponsor: ASSA ABLOY

Tuesday, Oct 20th

8am - 5pm

Room: Classroom 4

Cost: \$325

Course Description:

Medeco High Security & Medeco 4 Factory Certification Class
Medeco 4 Factory Certification and Hands-on Clinic (8 hours):

This certification class covers the evolution of Medeco's high security product lines, including an in-depth, hands-on product training for Medeco's newest high-security key system - Medeco 4 (M4).

Learn about the new M4 shuttle pin and side bittings that take attack resistance to a whole new level.

Hands-on exercises include disassembly and assembly of an M4 Mortise Cylinder, decoding a Medeco M4 key and pinning a cylinder to a change key and master key.

Medeco master keying rules, application of the MACS, specialty tools, lubrication, troubleshooting, key control programs, Bilevel technology, an overview of the product line, 60 series cam and switch locks, and interchangeable core pinning specifications are also covered.

For this session only, special presentation materials on the history of attacks on Medeco locks will be included to show the evolution in technology, tools, and techniques for cylinder bypass attacks.

Following the in-depth hands-on exercises and discussion, please be prepared to participate in a brief written certification test. Once passing the open-book exam, you will be listed in Medeco's database for any future referrals.

TUESDAY CLASSES



CLASS #5:

Class Title: AMSEC Electronic Safe Locks (ESL)

Instructor: Scott Said

Sponsor: AMSEC

Tuesday, Oct 20th

8am – 5pm

Room: Classroom 5

Cost: \$395

Course Description:

American Security Electronic Lock Systems (ESL10, ESL20, and ESL Audit)

This comprehensive course provides participants with a detailed understanding of the electronic lock solutions offered by American Security, focusing on three of its most widely used systems: the ESL10, ESL20, and ESL Audit.

Designed for locksmiths, safe technicians, security professionals, and sales personnel, this class delivers both foundational knowledge and practical application.

Students will learn the core features, programming procedures, troubleshooting methods, and real-world use cases for each lock model.

The course covers the ESL10's streamlined functionality, the ESL20's advanced dual-control and time-delay capabilities, and the ESL Audit's robust data tracking and audit trail system. Through demonstrations and hands-on practice, participants will gain confidence in installation, operation, and maintenance.

By the end of this training, attendees will be able to:

- Identify the key differences and appropriate applications for the ESL10, ESL20, and ESL Audit lock systems.
- Properly program user codes, manager functions, time delays, and dual-control features
- Navigate audit trail retrieval and data management (ESL Audit)
- Diagnose common issues and perform effective troubleshooting
- Recommend the right lock model based on customer or operational needs

This class equips learners with the knowledge required to confidently work with American Security's ESL lock lineup, enhancing both technical skills and product expertise.

TUESDAY CLASSES



CLASS #6:

Class Title: Investigative Locksmithing (Day One of Two)

Instructors: John Truempy & Vernon Kelley

Sponsor: ALOA

Tuesday, Oct 20th

8am - 5pm

Room: Classroom 6

Total (2-day) Cost: \$750 +150 Lab Fee

Course Description:

Investigative Locksmithing (1st Day)

Instructors: John D. Truempy, CRL, CMIL, IFDI, CFL, CAI, and Vernon Kelley, CPL, CFDI, ICML, IFDI, CAI

Take your first step to becoming an investigative locksmith, one of the most lucrative disciplines in the industry! Students will receive instruction on the procedures, processes and concepts surrounding the forensic examination of various locking devices.

Student will learn how to conduct a crime scene search and document the scene. Physical evidence preservation and handling is covered in-depth, along with chain-of-custody principles. Specialized tools of the trade will be reviewed extensively.

Through hands-on instruction, students will learn how to examine pins to identify tool marks made by various bypass tools. How to properly document your findings using photography and professional report writing will be covered. Tips to help market your expertise include how to write a curriculum vitae (CV) and how to qualify as an expert witness are covered.

Proper deposition and courtroom decorum is discussed in-depth.

This is a required course for anyone interested in increasing their professional profile in the locksmith, legal and insurance industries by becoming an IAIL Certified Forensic Locksmith (CFL).

Students may also bring their own tools if they desire: small Phillips and slotted screw drivers; various picks and rakes; small flashlight; small non-metallic mallet.

Lab Fee - REQUIRED: \$150 for the investigative locksmithing toolkit and for the 354-page updated (2nd Revision) "Forensic Locksmith Manual" that will be used in class and retained by the student

TUESDAY CLASSES

**CLASS #E1:****Class Title: Multi-Family Solutions Simplified****Instructors: Sarah Melluso, Jamie Lyn Callahan & Zach Ranney****Sponsor: Allegion****Tuesday, Oct 20th****7pm - 9pm****Cost: N/A - Free****Room: Classroom E1****Course Description:**

Join us for an engaging training class from Allegion designed specifically for locksmiths and integrators, focused on multi-family solutions.

We'll give a simple, high-level look at the Allegion hardware and software commonly used in this space with discussion around how these solutions fit into the broader ecosystem of a Multifamily property (intercoms, property mgmt. software, visitor mgmt., etc.)

Participants will engage in interactive activities and real-world scenarios to deepen their understanding of the multi-family market space and solutions available.



WEDNESDAY CLASSES



Class #7

Class Title: Motorcycle Keys Made Easy

Instructors: Sven Hellwig Sr. and Paul Kline

Sponsor: SKH Locksmiths & Security

Wednesday, Oct 21st

8am – 5pm

Room: Classroom 1

Cost: \$395

Course Description:

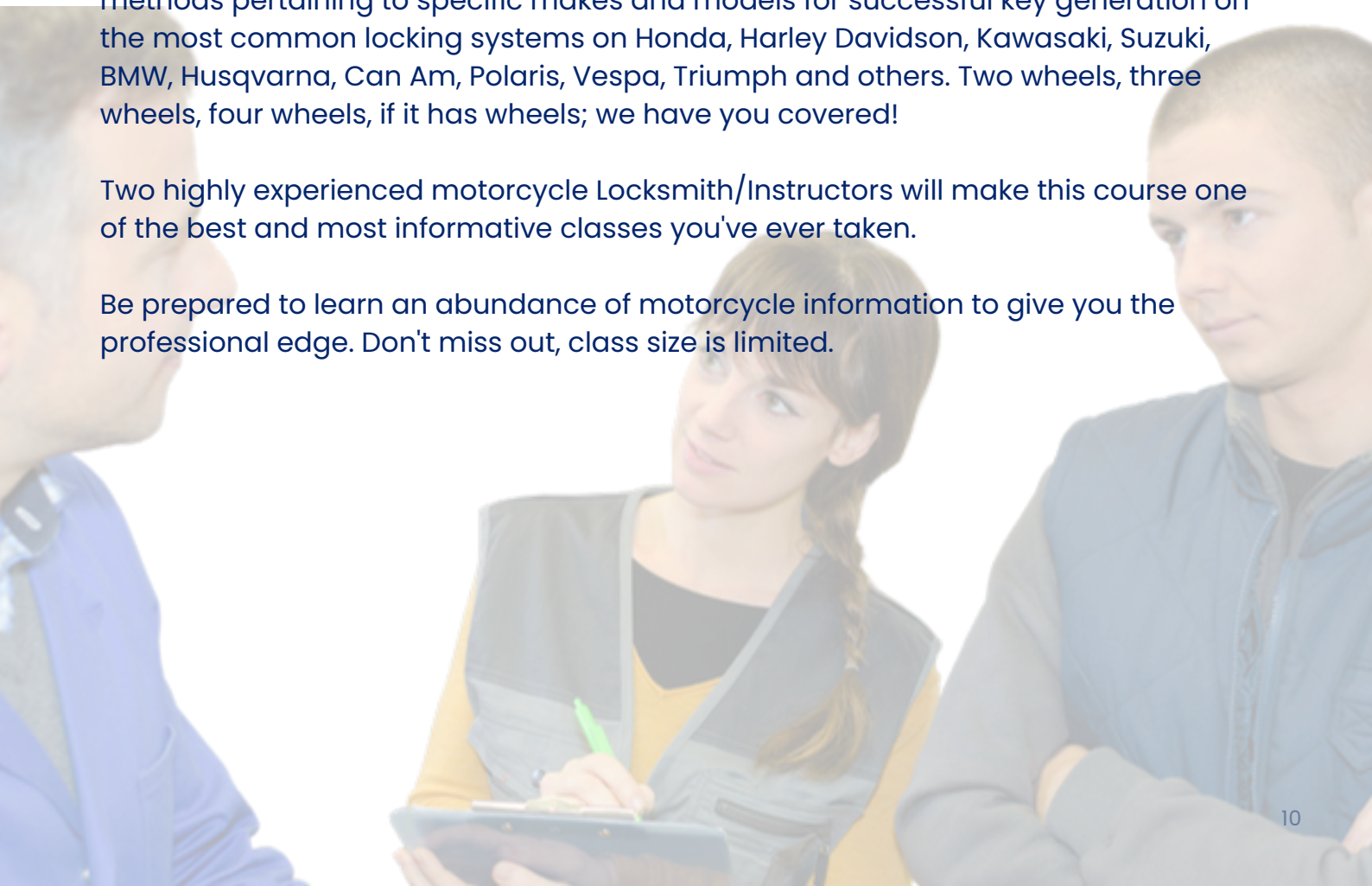
Stop turning down lock and key work in the lucrative field of motorcycles, scooters and ATV's! Most are easier than making keys for cars, and the majority don't even need chip programing (easy money).

Students taking this motorcycle key generation course will be totally informed and instructed on many different methods of all keys lost replacement, duplication, cloning, programing, Lishi tool use, Accu-Reader decoding, picking, impressioning, code location (where applicable), site reading, key cutting, machine and programmer use, tips and tricks and more for a wide variety of motorcycles, scooters and ATV's.

Each student will receive an informational instructional guide, with pictures and methods pertaining to specific makes and models for successful key generation on the most common locking systems on Honda, Harley Davidson, Kawasaki, Suzuki, BMW, Husqvarna, Can Am, Polaris, Vespa, Triumph and others. Two wheels, three wheels, four wheels, if it has wheels; we have you covered!

Two highly experienced motorcycle Locksmith/Instructors will make this course one of the best and most informative classes you've ever taken.

Be prepared to learn an abundance of motorcycle information to give you the professional edge. Don't miss out, class size is limited.



WEDNESDAY CLASSES



Class #8

Class Title: Understanding Door Hardware in Your School

Instructor: Matt Smith, John Kowal & Nick Ferraro

Sponsor: Allegion

Wednesday, Oct 21st

8am – 5pm

Room: Classroom 2

Cost: \$325

Course Description: Understanding Door Hardware in Your School: Keeping students, faculty, and staff safe when they are on school property is a high priority for any school district.

Understanding how door hardware contributes to a safe environment can help; so can understanding how to maintain and use that hardware properly – and teaching others to do the same.

This class will prepare you to assess the safety and security of your facility as we look at typical school openings and use scenarios to identify hardware options to meet your various needs.

This course will also cover retrofit kits and aftermarket solutions suited well for educational facilities. We will end with a discussion on broader resources available to our K-12 communities, such as the Partner Alliance for Safer Schools (PASS) and the I Love You Guys Foundation.



WEDNESDAY CLASSES



Class #3B

Class Title: Low Voltage School – Day Two of Three

Instructors: Rodger Schmidt

Sponsor: ASSA ABLOY

Wednesday, Oct 21st

8am – 5pm

Room: Classroom 3

Cost: (for course costs see #3A)

Course Description:

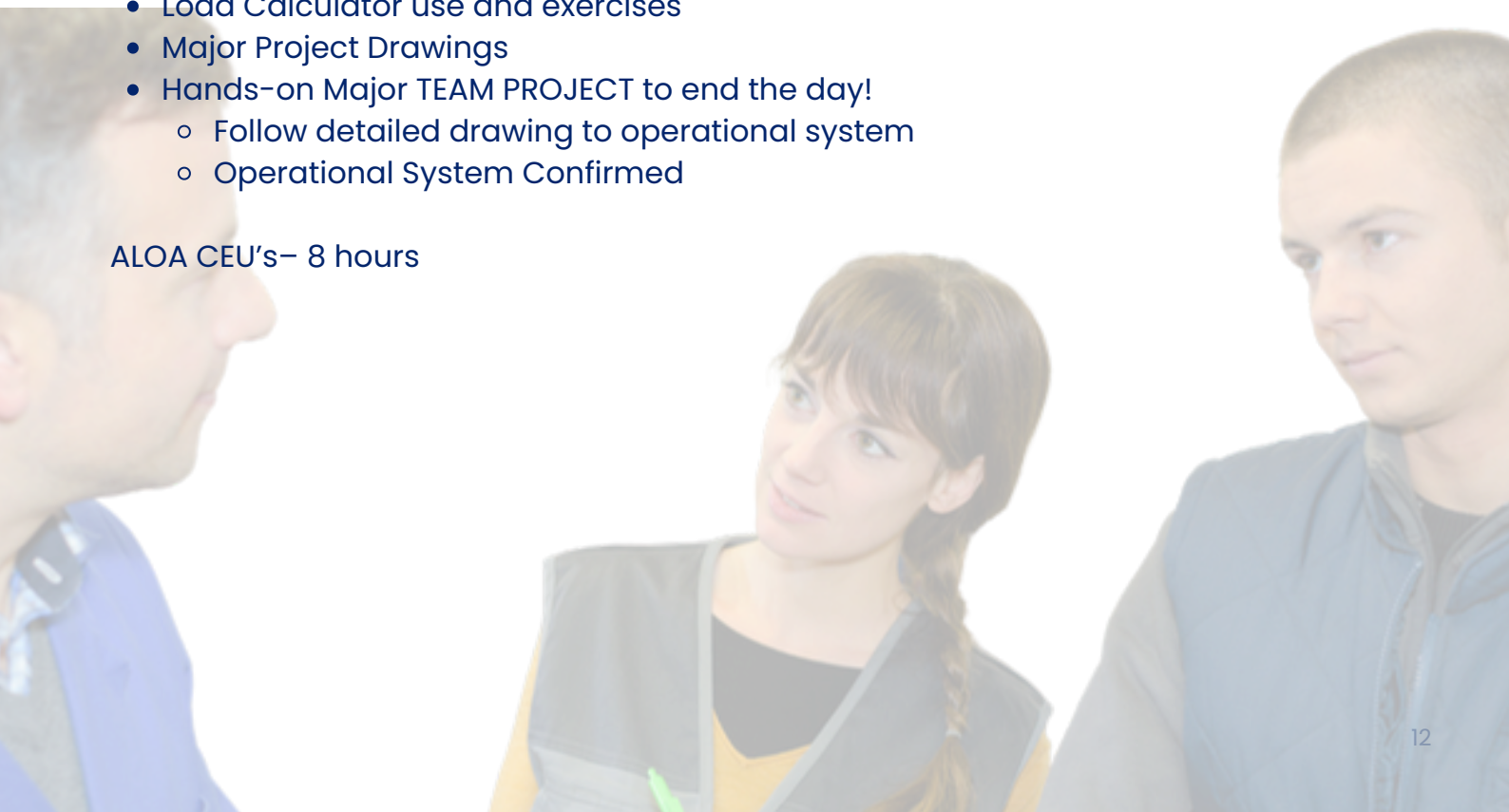
(Must also take #3A and #3C)

Circuit Development and Design with Narratives, Drawings and Advanced Project, Wiring & Troubleshooting

NEW EXERCISES and PROJECT Hands-on training with Circuits Development Exercises, Diagrams and Power.

- Site Survey and the Narrative – Circuit Development
- Hardware Selection and the Circuit
- Wiring Diagrams and Exercises
- Hands-On – Drawings with multiple parts
- Advanced Project Preparation – Drawings, Circuits and Equipment
- Hands-On – New Generation Power Supply & Distribution Boards – Selection and Needs
- Circuit Details with Loads and Amperage
- Figuring out the loads and draws
- Load Calculator use and exercises
- Major Project Drawings
- Hands-on Major TEAM PROJECT to end the day!
 - Follow detailed drawing to operational system
 - Operational System Confirmed

ALOA CEU's– 8 hours



WEDNESDAY CLASSES



Class #9

Class Title: Adams Rite Mechanical Workshop

Instructor: Guy Robinson

Sponsor: ASSA ABLOY

Wednesday, Oct 21st

8am - 5pm

Room: Classroom 4

Cost: \$325

Course Description:

This intensive, hands-on, technical workshop provides participants with a rigorous, engineering-focused immersion into the mechanical architecture, installation methodology, and operational behavior of Adams Rite hardware systems used in commercial aluminum storefront environments.

Through structured, hands-on exercises utilizing precision desktop mounting stations, attendees will repeatedly execute mechanical installations of Adams Rite deadbolts, latch mechanisms, and push/pull paddle assemblies, building deep procedural fluency and mechanical accuracy.

Participants will conduct detailed mechanical disassembly and reconfiguration of the 4500 and 4900 Series locksets, along with the 4591 push/pull paddle, with focused attention on handing changes, internal component sequencing, and mechanical tolerancing. These exercises impart a deep understanding of component interactions and functional dependencies within Adams Rite lock architecture.

The workshop further equips students with advanced capabilities in router operation for aluminum channel preparation, including precise cavity formation, depth-controlled routing, and tolerance-critical alignment required for the seamless integration of 4900 Series locksets and 4591 paddle hardware.

By the conclusion of the program, participants will demonstrate elevated technical proficiency in mechanical assembly, hardware alignment, system preparation, and installation best practices, enabling them to execute Adams Rite hardware deployments with professional-grade precision and repeatable consistency.

WEDNESDAY CLASSES



Class #10

Class Title: Safe & Vault Servicing — Day One

Instructor(s): Phil Sutherland & Jeremy Terry

Sponsor: MB USA

Wednesday, Oct 21st

8am – 5pm

Room: Classroom 5

Cost: \$850

Course Description:

This 2-day class is designed for the locksmith entering or expanding into the safe & vault industry. The course is a comprehensive overview of 4-categories of locks: Safe Deposit, Key Operated safe locks, Mechanical Combination safe locks and Electronic safe Locks.

Day 1: Lock Essentials: Safe Deposit, Key Operated & Mechanical Combination locks

Class Description

- This class is designed for the locksmith entering or expanding into the safe & vault industry. The class is a comprehensive overview of industry Terminology, product identification, servicing procedures, troubleshooting & defeat methods.

Day 2: Electronic Safe Lock Essentials – Hardware, Programming, Troubleshooting & Defeat methods

Class Description

- This class is designed for the locksmith entering or expanding into the safe & vault industry. The class is a Comprehensive, cross-brands, overview of Hardware, Programming, Troubleshooting & defeat methods.



WEDNESDAY CLASSES



Class #11

Class Title: Investigative Locksmithing — Day Two

Instructor(s): John Truempy & Vernon Kelley

Sponsor: ALOA

Wednesday, Oct 21st

8am – 5pm

Room: Classroom 6

Cost: See costs under Class #6

Course Description:

Investigative Locksmithing (2nd Day)

Instructors: John D. Truempy, CRL, CMIL, IFDI, CFL, CAI, and Vernon Kelley, CPL, CFDI, ICML, IFDI, CAI

Lab Fee – REQUIRED: \$150 for the investigative locksmithing toolkit and for the 354-page updated (2nd Revision) “Forensic Locksmith Manual” that will be used in class and retained by the student

Continue on your journey to become an investigative locksmith, one of the most lucrative disciplines in the industry!

Students will receive instruction on the procedures, processes and concepts surrounding the forensic examination of various locking devices.

Student will learn how to conduct a crime scene search and document the scene. Physical evidence preservation and handling is covered in-depth, along with chain-of-custody principles.

Specialized tools of the trade will be reviewed extensively. Through hands-on instruction, students will learn how to examine pins to identify tool marks made by various bypass tools. How to properly document your findings using photography and professional report writing will be covered. Tips to help market your expertise include how to write a curriculum vitae (CV) and how to qualify as an expert witness are covered. Proper deposition and courtroom decorum is discussed in-depth.

This is a required course for anyone interested in increasing their professional profile in the locksmith, legal and insurance industries by becoming an IAIL Certified Forensic Locksmith (CFL).

Students may also bring their own tools if they desire: small Phillips and slotted screw drivers; various picks and rakes; small flashlight; small non-metallic mallet.

WEDNESDAY CLASSES



Class #E4

Class Title: What's New with Allegion

Instructor(s): Ryan Bossie, Jamie Lyn Callahan,

John Kowal, Steve Monroe & Zach Ranney

Sponsor: Allegion

Wednesday, Oct 21st

7pm - 9pm

Room: Classroom E4

Cost: N/A - Free

Course Description:

Allegion will highlight a number of new and enhanced solutions in this light and engaging evening session. Stations will include brand new auto-operators from LCN and Falcon, Overtur Keying, the redesigned Falcon T(M) lock, and so much more!



WEDNESDAY CLASSES



Class #E5

Class Title: SimpleK Software Training

Instructor(s): SimpleK

Sponsor: ASSA ABLOY

Wednesday, Oct 21st

7pm – 9pm

Room: Classroom E5

Cost: N/A – Free

Course Description:

“Master Key Generation and Key Management with SimpleK Software”

Master key systems are complex — but managing them doesn't have to be.

This seminar introduces the core principles of master key generation and key management using SimpleK, a software solution designed to simplify and streamline every aspect of key system creation and management

Includes:

- System Creation & Expansion
- Build scalable master key systems and plan for future growth.
- Core Pinning & Integrity Checks
- Perform accurate pinning calculations and verify key interchangeability.
- Authorization & Approval Workflows
- Define and implement structured processes for key access and control.
- Inventory & Distribution Tracking
- Register and monitor key issuance, returns, and overall inventory.
- Core Change Management
- Plan, record, and track core changes.
- Security Audits & Keying Reviews
- Conduct periodic audits to maintain system integrity and security.
- Documentation & Reporting
- Maintain detailed records and generate reports for compliance and oversight.
- Format: Live Demonstrations
- Use of SimpleK Locksmith Edition during the session to explore real-world applications.
- Fundamentals & Practical Use

Blend foundational knowledge with hands-on software experience.

Ideal For: Institutional Locksmiths, Commercial & Retail Locksmiths
Facilities and Security Managers, Anyone responsible for key control and master key systems

THURSDAY CLASSES



Class #12

Class Title: The Amazing Lishi Tool

Instructor(s): Sven Hellwig Sr. & Paul Kline

Sponsor: SKH Locksmiths & Security

Thursday, Oct 22nd

8am - 5pm

Room: Classroom 1

Cost: \$395

Course Description:

The amazing Lishi tool will make you a professional and profitable Locksmith. Invest in yourself, take the day and dive deep into Lishi. After taking this class, you will have the skills and confidence to whip out the Lishi tool on all of your car lockouts and lost key replacements. You will amaze your customers with your professionalism, and you will get the job done in less time -making you more money.

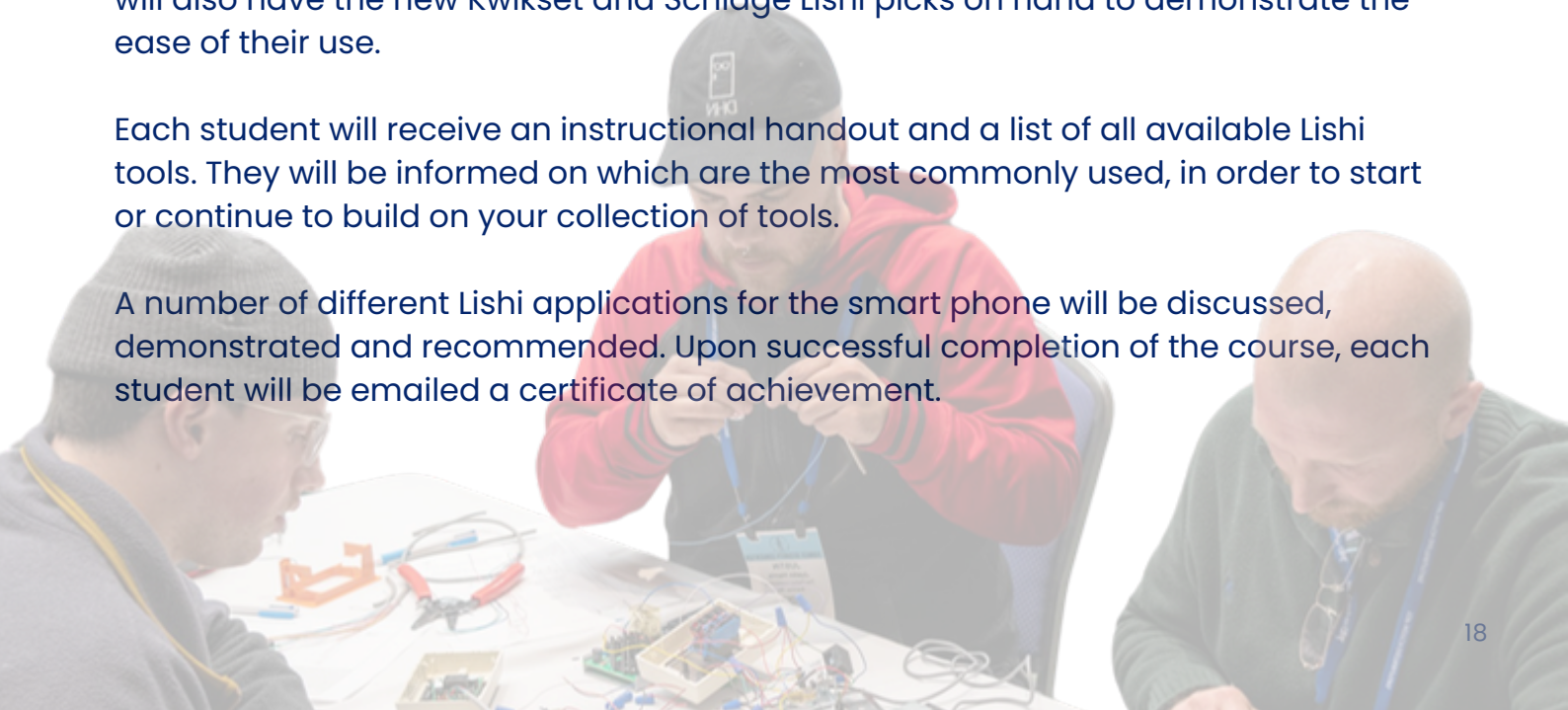
All students, no matter what level of Locksmith experience, from beginner to seasoned professionals, will greatly benefit from an in-depth Lishi class such as this one being offered.

With two expert Lishi instructors all attendees will receive lots of hands on individual attention. Everyone in the class will successfully pick, de-code and generate keys for various makes, years, and models of vehicles. Example; Ford, Chrysler, Toyota, Honda, BMW and others.

In-depth coverage of the tool, the design, and what makes them work so well will be discussed. Proper methods and learning the right touch to pick with ease will be achieved. The precision of the decode / read process will be clearly defined and understood, making the generation of standard and high-security keys a breeze. We will also have the new Kwikset and Schlage Lishi picks on hand to demonstrate the ease of their use.

Each student will receive an instructional handout and a list of all available Lishi tools. They will be informed on which are the most commonly used, in order to start or continue to build on your collection of tools.

A number of different Lishi applications for the smart phone will be discussed, demonstrated and recommended. Upon successful completion of the course, each student will be emailed a certificate of achievement.



THURSDAY CLASSES



Class #13

Class Title: LCN Automatic Operators and the ADA

Instructor(s): Matt Smith

Sponsor: Allegion

Thursday, Oct 22nd

8am – 5pm

Room: Classroom 2

Cost: \$325

Course Description: NEW Hands-On Course!

Allegion has redesigned this course specifically for facility and maintenance personnel and individuals new to commercial door hardware or door closers.

Low energy automatic operators play an important role in helping facilities meet door control and usability issues. Low energy automatic operators also help meet the accessibility requirements prescribed by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Join us as we learn how, where, and why low energy automatic door operators can solve not only your accessibility concerns but also resolve other door control, maintenance, and usability issues.

Upon completion of this course, you will be able to:

- Explain the difference between high energy and low energy operators, and describe the ANSI/BHMA Requirements for low energy installations
- Differentiate between LCN's electric-hydraulic, pneumatic hydraulic, and electro-mechanical operators, choosing the right automatic operator for a specific opening
- Install, wire, and program popular LCN operators, including the newly redesigned Senior Swing
- Solve common operator installation and application problems
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- Differentiate between LCN's electric-hydraulic, pneumatic hydraulic, and electro-mechanical operators, choosing the right automatic operator for a specific opening
- Install, wire, and program popular LCN operators, including the newly redesigned Senior Swing
- Solve common operator installation and application problems



THURSDAY CLASSES



Class #3C

Class Title: Low Voltage School – Day Three of Three

Instructors: Rodger Schmidt

Sponsor: ASSA ABLOY

Thursday, Oct 22nd

8am – 5pm

Room: Classroom 3

Cost: See costs under Class #6

Course Description:

The final day of Low Voltage School brings together the concepts presented throughout the program and expands on this with the following.

Class Title: ½ Day Basic Application for Low Energy Operators and ½ Day Deep Dive Low Energy Operators

- Advanced Project Assembly – Team Project
- Layout and wire for 3 door access project
- Operational System Confirmed

Equipment to be part of the project:

- Circuit Drawings – Created during class
- Locking hardware – Strikes, Maglocks, E- Leversets or E-Bars
- Various types of actuators for circuits
- Power Supplies and distribution boards

Parts of this day will be individual work, whole class participation and team projects.

ALOA CEU's- 8 hours



THURSDAY CLASSES



Class #14

Class Title: Basic Masterkeying Workshop

Instructor: Guy Robinson

Sponsor: ASSA ABLOY

Thursday, Oct 22nd

8am - 5pm

Room: Classroom 4

Cost: \$325

Course Description:

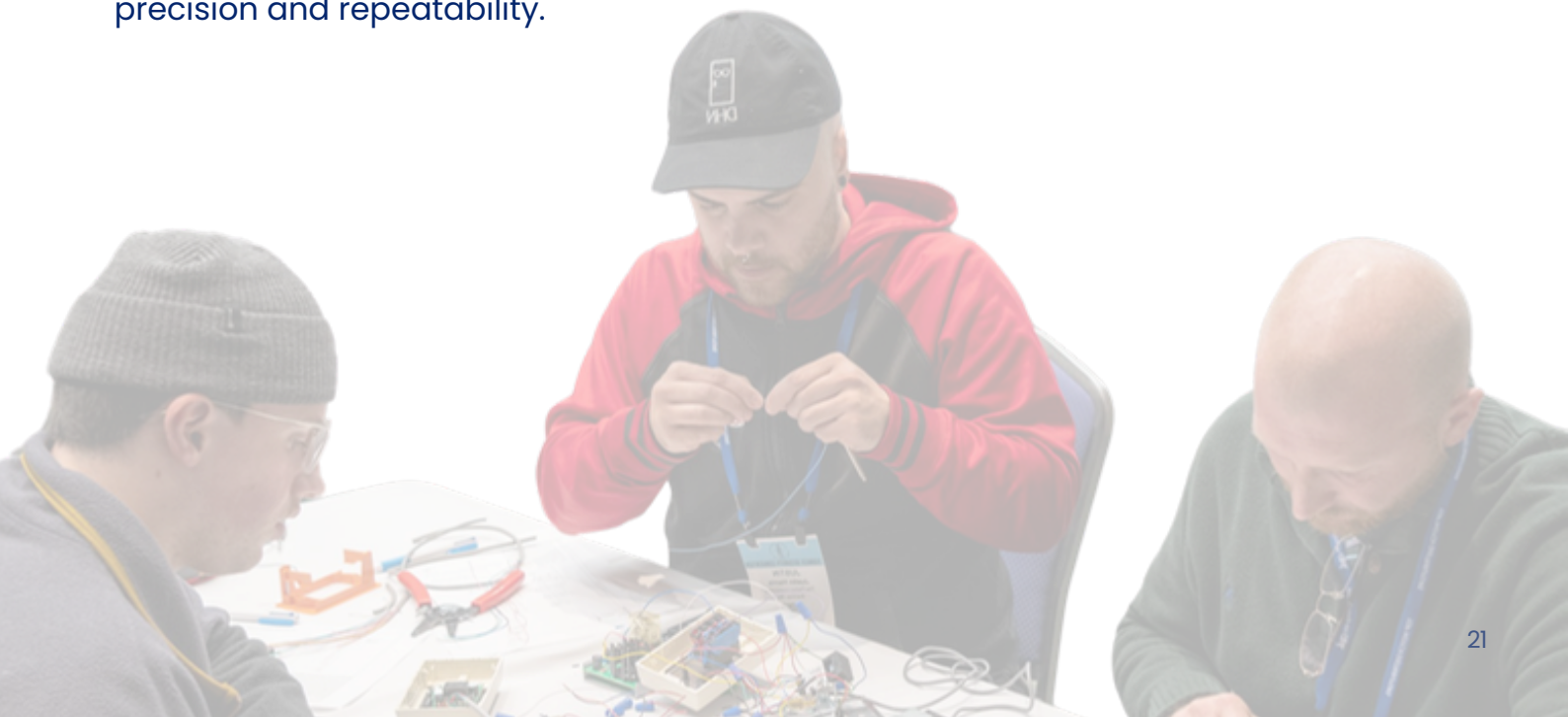
This workshop provides a comprehensive technical foundation in mechanical key system hierarchy and identification.

Participants are instructed in the application of the Builders Hardware Manufacturers Association (BHMA) Blind Code methodology to accurately designate and interpret keys within two, three, and four level masterkey systems.

Through structured, hands-on exercises, students systematically analyze and apply the alphanumeric conventions that define each tier of the masterkey hierarchy, developing a clear understanding of the functional role and interrelationship of every character within a coded key system.

Upon completion of the key identification and labeling modules, students advance to the analytical design phase, where they learn to engineer and sequence key bittings for multi-level systems.

Instruction emphasizes industry-standard bitting development techniques, including Total Position Progression (TPP) and Rotating Constant methodologies, enabling participants to design scalable, logically progressed masterkey systems with precision and repeatability.



THURSDAY CLASSES



Class #15

Class Title: Safe & Vault Servicing — Day Two
Instructor(s): Phil Sutherland & Jeremy Terry
Sponsor: MB USA

Thursday, Oct 22nd

8am – 5pm

Room: Classroom 5

Cost: See costs under Class #10

Course Description:

Day Two builds upon the technical foundation established during Day One.

Class is designed for the locksmith entering or expanding into the safe & vault industry. The course is a comprehensive overview of 4-categories of locks: Safe Deposit, Key-Operated safe locks, Mechanical Combination safe locks, and Electronic safe Locks.

Day 1: Lock Essentials: Safe Deposit, Key Operated & Mechanical Combination locks

Class Description

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Day 2: Electronic Safe Lock Essentials – Hardware, Programming, Troubleshooting & Defeat methods

Class Description

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THURSDAY CLASSES



Class #16

Class Title: Forensic and Locksmith Photography
Instructor(s): John Truempy & Vernon Kelley
Sponsor: ALOA

Thursday, Oct 22nd

8am – 5pm

Room: Classroom 6

Cost: \$395

Course Description:

Instructors: John D. Truempy, CRL, CMIL, IFDI, CFL, CAI and Vernon Kelley, CPL, CFDI, ICML, IFDI, CAI

Lab Fee – NONE

This hands-on class will benefit anyone who wants to improve their photography skills, whether you want to document your work in a more professional manner or you just want to take better photos at work in general.

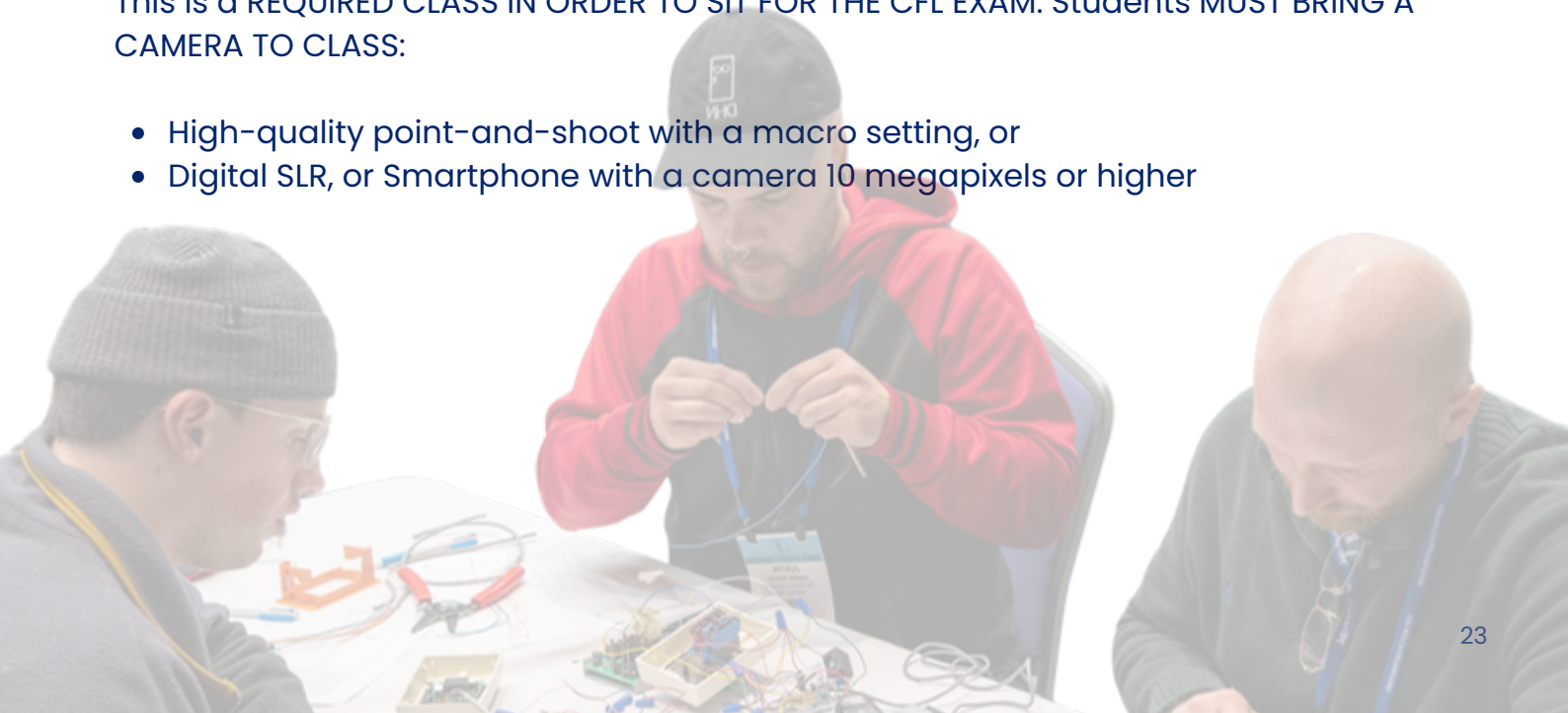
Subjects include basic photography concepts and techniques, related equipment, camera settings, subject lighting, rules of photo editing and techniques of evidence photography, as well as macro and micro photography.

This class meets the photography requirement to allow investigative locksmiths to take the IAIL Certified Forensic Locksmith exam.

Additionally, this class is also beneficial to fire door inspectors and safe and vault technicians.

This is a REQUIRED CLASS IN ORDER TO SIT FOR THE CFL EXAM. Students MUST BRING A CAMERA TO CLASS:

- High-quality point-and-shoot with a macro setting, or
- Digital SLR, or Smartphone with a camera 10 megapixels or higher



FRIDAY CLASSES



Class #17

Class Title: Multi-Point Lock Installations & Servicing

Instructor(s): Jayson Wolbert

Sponsor: Jayson Wolbert

Friday, Oct 23rd

8am - 12pm

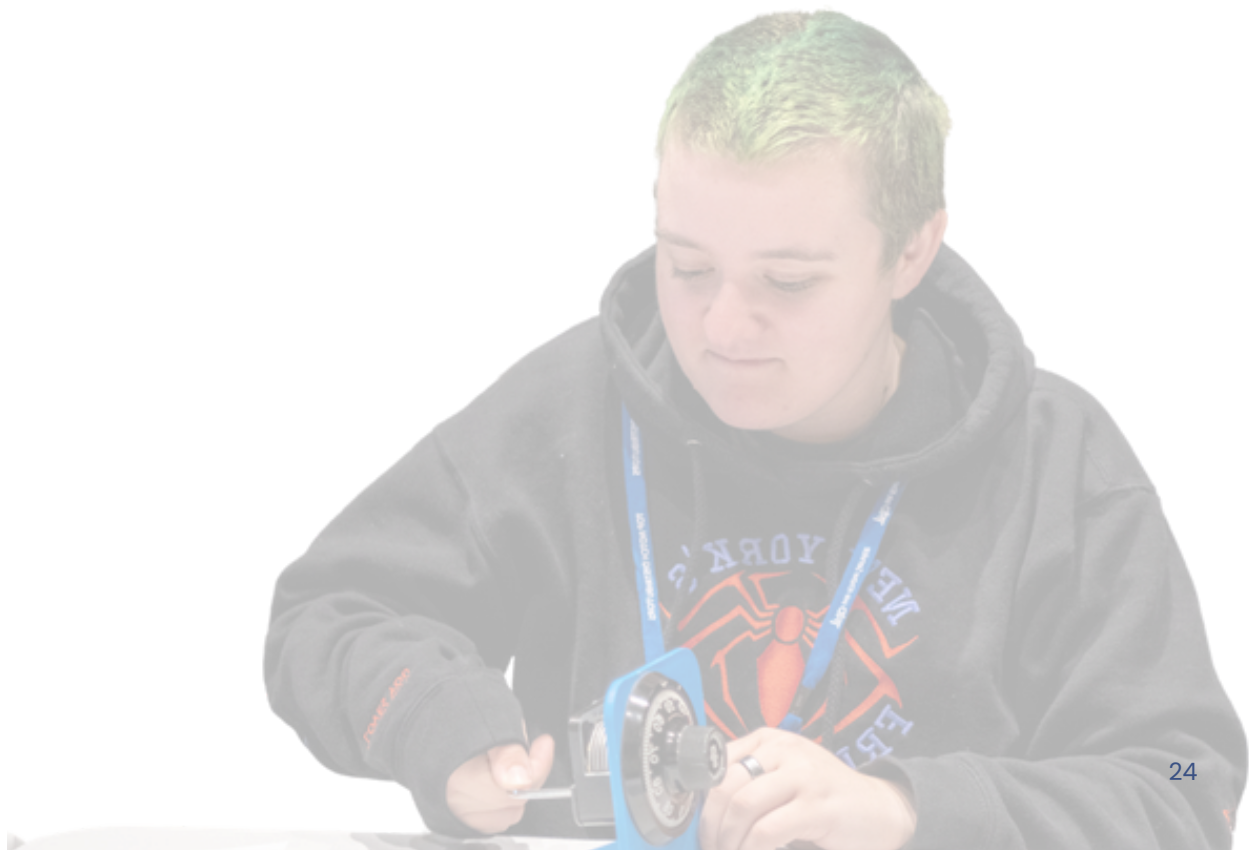
Room: Classroom 1

Cost: \$185

Course Description:

The course covers:

- Information you need before going to the customer location
- How to quote the job
- How to identify the brand of multi-point lock
- How to determine the correct replacement part
- Where to obtain the replacement parts
- What tools and parts you need to have onsite
- Tips for traveling with the tools and parts
- How to secure the customer's home while waiting on replacement parts
- When, how, and where to drill the Peachtree IPD lock
- How to make sure the door is working properly before leaving the site



FRIDAY CLASSES



Class #18

Class Title: The Ins & Outs of SFIC with KSP

Instructor(s): Gene Degre, Karen Zawalich, Brian Strom

Sponsor: KSP

Friday, Oct 23rd

8am - 12pm

Room: Classroom 2

Cost: \$185

Course Description:

Introduction to KSP, when it started, and the KSP Team

Learn the KSP way and how raw material becomes finish product(s):

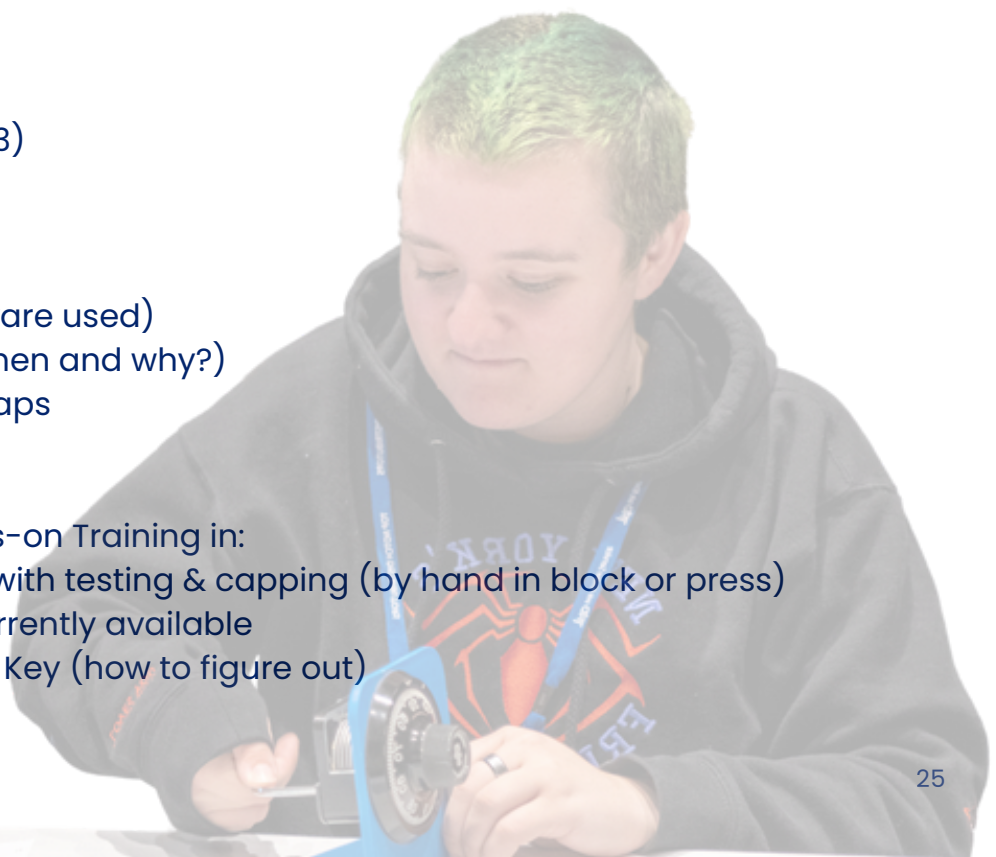
- Housings (tapered vs standard 6 pin vs 7 pin)
- Convertible cylinders
- Extension cylinders kits
- Cylinder collars (when to use what)
- Products available (cores, keys, cap press, pin kits etc.)
- Finishes available
- Laser engraving

Intro to SFIC aspects:

- Benefits of SFIC, Ease of use
- Tolerances
- Pinning capability
- Cutting Keys
- Possible Key Changes
- A2 vs A3 vs A4
- Diameter of pins
- Pin stack heights (why 23)
- Keying in house
- Keyways available
- Restricted keyways
- Master key charts (software used)
- Which springs to use (when and why?)
- Slide cap vs individual caps
- Capping Press

Students Will Perform Hands-on Training in:

- Key up cylinder (A2 Spec) with testing & capping (by hand in block or press)
- Work with tools and kits currently available
- Decode Cylinder & Control Key (how to figure out)



FRIDAY CLASSES



Class #19

Class Title: Electric Strike Applications & Installation
IBC & NFPA 80 Updates
Instructor(s): Rodger Schmidt
Sponsor: ASSA ABLOY

Friday, Oct 23rd

8am – 12pm
Room: Classroom 3
Cost: \$185

Course Description:

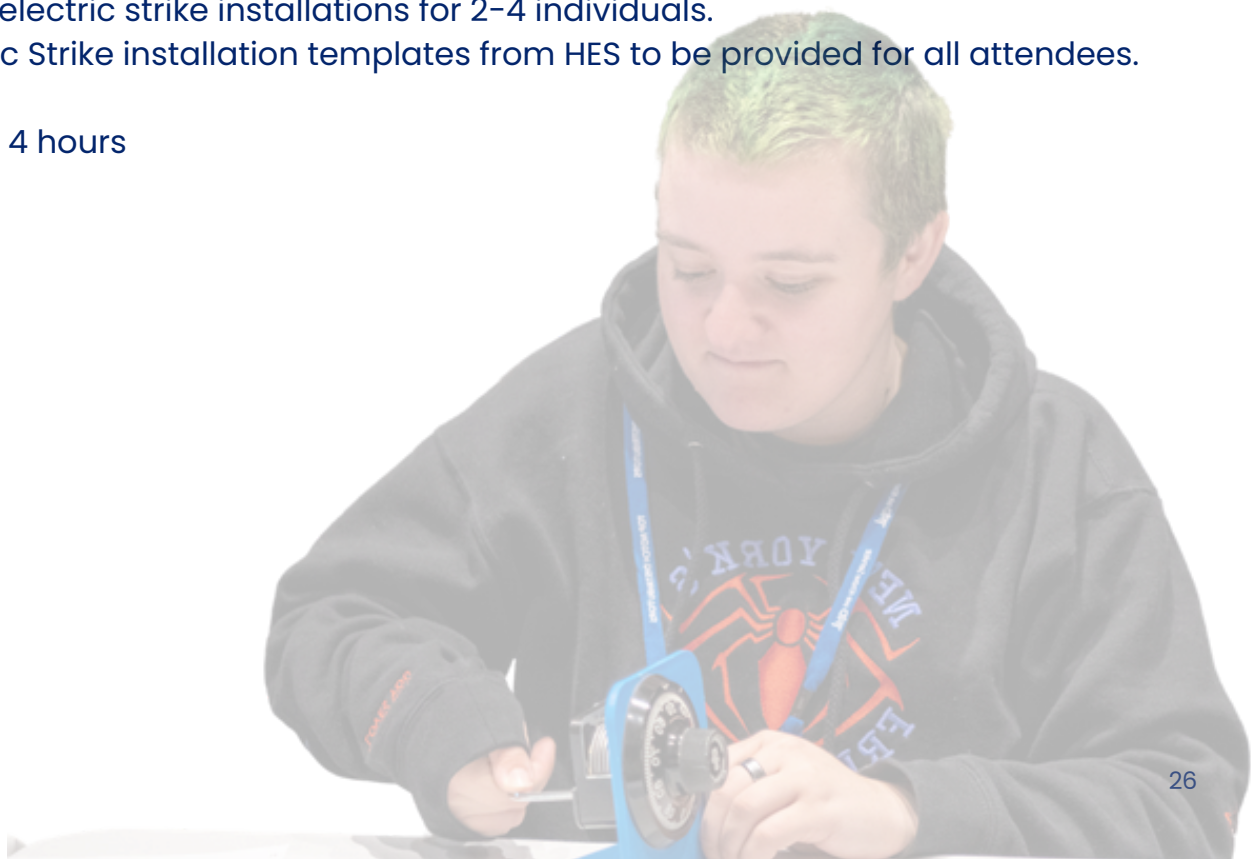
Electric Strikes in access control is one of the most flexible options available to take and opening from mechanical to electrified.

We will review how codes play a role in the selection of electronically securing an opening. This course is about applications and solutions for electric strikes.

What do I need to know when conducting a Site Survey?

- Review of ICC, IBC and NFPA Codes relating to Electronic Locking Hardware
- Fire Rated Assemblies – NFPA 80
- Free – Tools to use when Conducting Survey
- Electric Strikes Applications and Installation
- Review of applications for electric strikes
- Selection of the correct electric strike for the application
- Free strike selector guide to be provided for Attendees.
- Hands-on electric strike installations for 2-4 individuals.
- Free Electric Strike installation templates from HES to be provided for all attendees.

ALOA CEU's- 4 hours



FRIDAY CLASSES



Class #20

Class Title: Select Hinges & PDQ Locks

Instructor(s): T.J. Biondi & Tom Biondi

Sponsor: BCS Sales

Friday, Oct 23rd

8am - 12pm

Room: Classroom 4

Cost: \$185

Course Description:

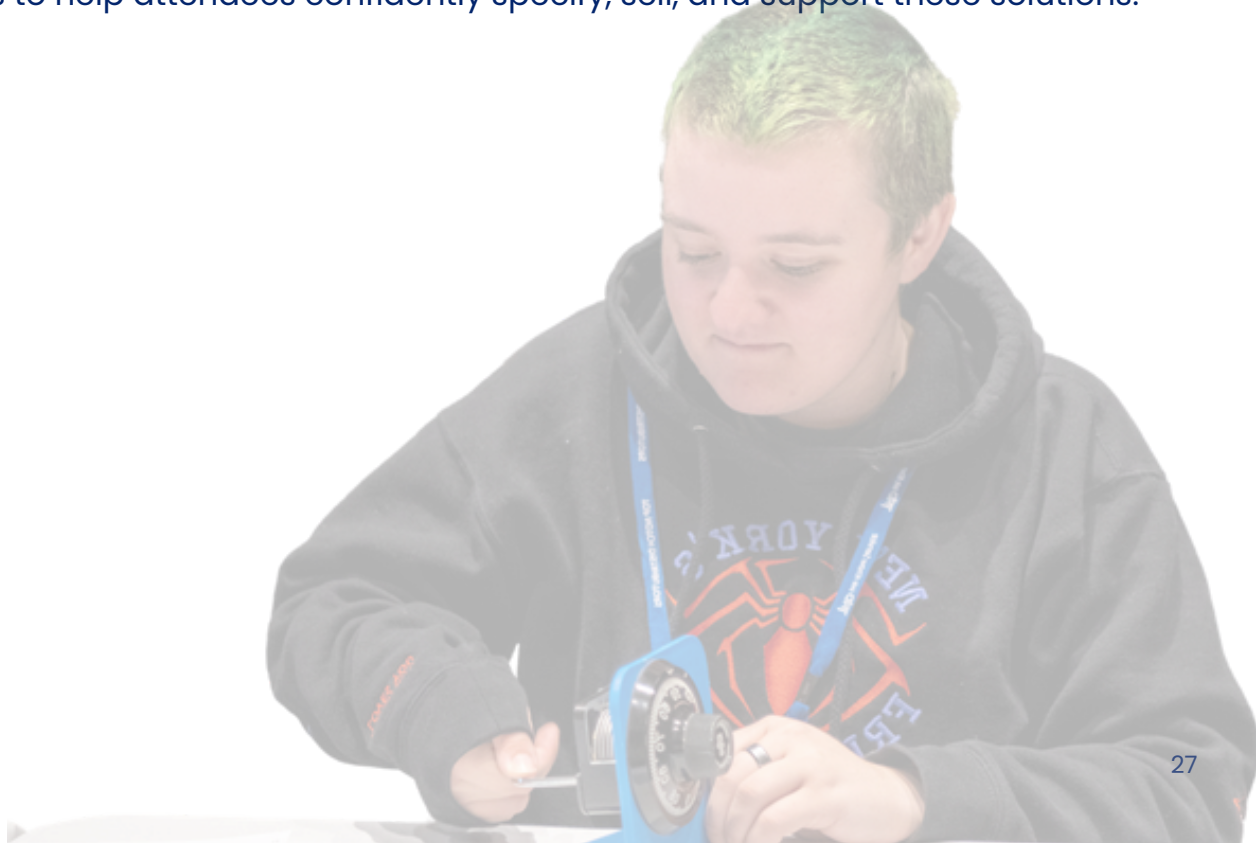
Join BCS Sales for an in-depth, four-hour training session featuring Select Hinges and PDQ Locks.

This course is divided into two two-hour segments, providing attendees with a comprehensive understanding of both product lines.

The Select Hinges session will cover continuous geared hinge technology, product selection, applications, installation considerations, and the advantages of geared hinges over traditional butt hinges.

The PDQ Locks session will focus on mechanical locksets and exit devices, including product features, applications, functions, and hardware selection for a variety of commercial openings.

Designed for locksmiths, security professionals, distributors, and door hardware specialists, this class combines product knowledge with practical, real-world applications to help attendees confidently specify, sell, and support these solutions.



FRIDAY CLASSES



Class #21

Class Title: VIDA & FDRS: OEM Programming for Volvo & Ford

Instructor(s): Steve Gaudette, CAI

Sponsor: Viking Lock Services

Friday, Oct 23rd

8am - 12pm

Room: Classroom 5

Cost: \$185

Course Description:

Viking Lock Service: VIDA & FDRS: Registration, Setup, and Operation

This course provides a practical introduction to Ford's FDRS software, with a focus on registration, setup, subscription purchase, installation, and basic operation for key programming on newer Ford and Lincoln vehicles.

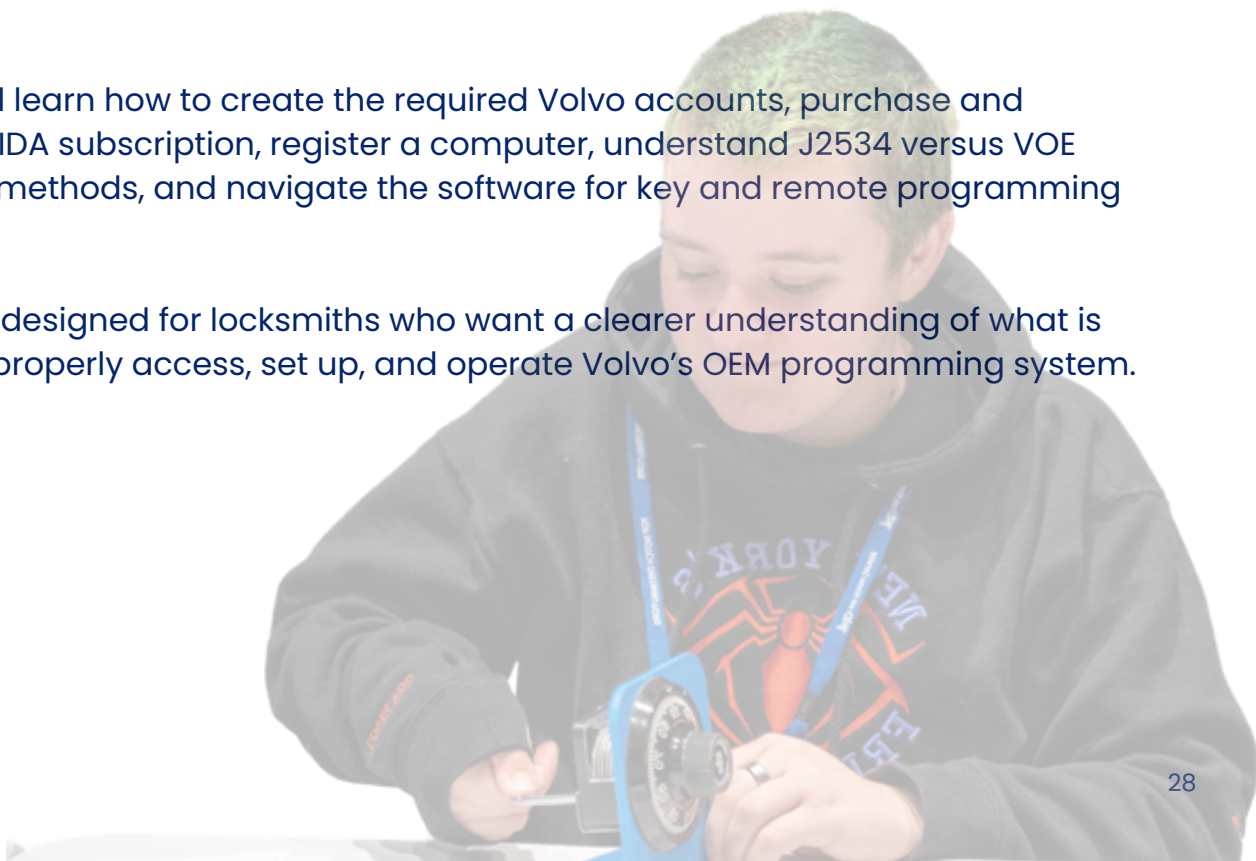
Students will learn the differences between IDS, FJDS, and FDRS, understand when FDRS is required, review NASTF security requirements, and walk through the general workflow of using FDRS with a compatible J2534 device.

This class is designed for automotive locksmiths who want a clearer understanding of Ford's current OEM programming process, especially for 2021+ vehicles where aftermarket tools may not be an option.

This course provides a practical introduction to Volvo's VIDA software, focusing on the registration process, setup procedures, and basic operation for automotive locksmiths.

Students will learn how to create the required Volvo accounts, purchase and activate a VIDA subscription, register a computer, understand J2534 versus VOE connection methods, and navigate the software for key and remote programming workflows.

This class is designed for locksmiths who want a clearer understanding of what is required to properly access, set up, and operate Volvo's OEM programming system.



NETWORKING EVENTS



THURSDAY EVENING

EVENT

YANKEE SECURITY TRADE SHOW KICKOFF SOCIAL

Location: Sheraton Hotel.

Please pre-register for this event. Free appetizers and cash bar.

Thursday, Oct 22nd

6pm - 9pm

FRIDAY EVENING

EVENT

ASSA ABLOY Evening Event

Location: MassMutual Center

Friday, Oct 23rd

6pm - 9pm

SATURDAY MORNING BREAKFAST SESSION

Class #S1

Class Title: The Saturday Security Showdown:

Allegion Hot Breakfast & Bragging Rights

Instructors: Ryan Bossie, Jamie Lyn Callahan & Steve Monroe

Sponsor: Allegion

Saturday, Oct 24th

9am - 11am

Room: Classroom TBD

Event Description: Fuel up before the show opens and start your final day at the Yankee Security Convention with a complimentary hot breakfast and an engaging educational experience hosted by Allegion.

Ideal for all attendees, exhibitors and instructors, this session has been designed to be both informative and interactive, this special event combines product education, audience participation, live demonstrations, and networking in a relaxed environment before the trade show opens. Whether you've been in the trade for thirty years or thirty days, you'll learn something new while having a great time.

You'll Enjoy

- ✓ A full hot breakfast
- ✓ Live game play using your phone
- ✓ Expert insights from Allegion
- ✓ Networking with fellow security professionals
- ✓ Interactive hardware challenges
- ✓ Great prizes and giveaways

Then head straight to the Yankee show floor as the exhibit hall opens at 11:00 AM.



SHOW HOURS

Make your way to the Yankee Security Convention Trade Show, where more than 100 manufacturers, distributors, suppliers, and service providers will be showcasing the latest products, technologies, tools, and innovations shaping today's locksmith and security industry.

Spend your time exploring new product launches, watching live demonstrations, comparing solutions, discovering emerging technologies, and speaking directly with the experts who design and support the products you use every day.

Whether you're looking to expand your services, improve your business, earn continuing education insights, or simply reconnect with colleagues from across the Northeast, the Yankee Security Convention Trade Show offers something for every attendee.

Make the Most of Your Visit

- ✓ Visit exhibitors you've never met before
- ✓ Ask questions and compare competing products
- ✓ Watch live product demonstrations
- ✓ Network with fellow professionals
- ✓ Learn about products before making purchasing decisions
- ✓ Build relationships that continue long after the convention ends

Why Attend the Trade Show?

The education program provides the knowledge. The trade show brings that knowledge to life. It's your opportunity to see the latest innovations firsthand, connect directly with manufacturers, discover solutions that can improve your business, and experience everything that makes the Yankee Security Convention one of the Northeast's premier locksmith and security events.

We encourage every attendee to spend time on the show floor and take full advantage of this outstanding educational and networking opportunity.

FRIDAY, OCT 23RD

**RIBBON CUTTING - OPENING OF THE
YANKEE SECURITY CONVENTION's 46th Show**

12pm - 5pm

Location: MassMutual Center

SATURDAY, OCT 24TH

DEDICATED SHOW HOURS

11am - 4pm

Location: MassMutual Center

INDUSTRY HOSTED EVENTS – ALOA



SATURDAY MORNING

EVENT #S2

Class Title: ALOA PRP TESTING

Instructor: ALOA

Sponsor: ALOA

Saturday, Oct 24th

8am – 11am

Room: Classroom TBD

Once again this year, there will be ALOA PRP testing available at the Yankee Security Convention.

The ALOA PRP (Professional Registered Locksmith) testing is a certification process for locksmiths that evaluates their knowledge and skills in the field.

The testing is designed to assess the competencies of locksmith professionals. It covers various topics essential for effective locksmithing, including lock mechanisms, keying systems, and safe work practices. Successfully passing the PRP test demonstrates a locksmith's proficiency and commitment to industry standards.

Registration Process

1. Visit the ALOA Website at www.aloa.org and navigate to the Certification and Testing section.
2. Create an Account: If you are a first-time user, you will need to create a new account. Existing members can log in with their credentials.
3. Choose Your Exam: Select the PRP testing option and choose your preferred location, date, and time for the exam.
4. Payment: Enter your payment information to complete the registration process.
5. Testing: Arrive at the chosen testing location on the scheduled date. You will receive your pass or fail score via email after completing the test

The testing will be available on Saturday, October 24, 2026 from 8am to 11am and will be held at the MassMutual Center in Springfield, MA.

REGISTERING FOR THIS EVENT

ABOUT REGISTRATION...

Students can register for the trade show at time of class selection for free. Register on the Yankee Security Convention website at www.yankeesecurity.org.

Those just registering for the tradeshow can also register for free prior to October 1st, 2026 at 12 AM. Anyone registering for the trade show or evening classes on October 1st or later will be charged a \$15 registration fee.

TRADE SHOW

Register for the show and key networking events, prior to the event, 24/7 at www.yankeesecurity.org.

TRADE SHOW HOURS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23rd	12PM – 5PM
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24th	11AM – 4PM

Find out more show information and details on the exciting and informative speakers that will be teaching at the 46th Annual Yankee Security Convention in the pages that follow.



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MEET THE INSTRUCTORS

TEACHER / PRESENTER BIOS

One of the greatest strengths of the Yankee Security Convention has always been its commitment to education.

For 46 years, the convention has brought together some of the most respected locksmiths, security professionals, manufacturers, consultants, and technical educators from across North America to share their knowledge, experience, and passion for the profession.

Our instructors are more than presenters, they are business owners, manufacturers' representatives, product developers, consultants, code experts, investigators, trainers, and industry leaders who work in the field every day.

Collectively, they represent centuries of hands-on experience across automotive locksmithing, commercial door hardware, electronic access control, safe and vault servicing, forensic locksmithing, institutional security, software development, and high-security locking systems.

Whether you're attending your first Yankee Security Convention or returning as a seasoned professional, you'll benefit from learning directly from experts who have dedicated their careers to advancing the locksmith and security industry.

We encourage you to ask questions, participate in discussions, and take advantage of the opportunity to learn from some of the very best in the business.

Please join us in thanking these industry greats, for their time and talents and for being part of our educational team for the 2026 Yankee Security Convention

Instructors appear in alphabetical order on the pages that follow.



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MEET THE INSTRUCTORS

Jonathan Bedard, Application & Development Manager
SimpleK – ASSA ABLOY Building Technology Solutions

Jonathan Bedard brings more than two decades of experience in computer science, institutional key management, and electronic security solutions to the classroom. As Application & Development Manager for SimpleK, a division of ASSA ABLOY Building Technology Solutions, he has played an instrumental role in developing software solutions that help organizations manage complex key systems with greater security, accountability, and efficiency.

Throughout his career, Jonathan has worked closely with educational institutions, healthcare organizations, government facilities, and commercial enterprises to design and implement effective key control programs. His ability to combine software development with practical locksmithing applications has made him a trusted resource for facilities seeking to modernize their key management processes.

Known for presenting technical information in an approachable, easy-to-understand manner, Jonathan helps attendees gain confidence in implementing software solutions that improve operational efficiency while strengthening physical security. His sessions provide practical knowledge that participants can immediately apply within their own organizations.

Teaching Wednesday – 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

SimpleK Software: Smarter Key Management for Modern Facilities

Discover how electronic key management software improves accountability, simplifies administration, and strengthens organizational security through centralized control and reporting.



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T.J. Biondi, Manufacturers' Representative, BCS Sales

TJ Biondi represents the next generation of commercial door hardware specialists, combining strong technical knowledge with practical field experience throughout the Northeast. As a manufacturers' representative with BCS Sales, he works closely with locksmiths, distributors, integrators, architects, and security professionals to specify and support commercial openings, Division 8 products, and electronic access control solutions.

TJ has developed a reputation for translating complex product information into practical applications that technicians can immediately understand and implement. His experience supporting commercial projects has given him valuable insight into installation challenges, specification requirements, and the importance of selecting the right products for long-term performance.

His presentations focus on practical solutions, proper installation techniques, and helping attendees understand how seemingly small hardware decisions can significantly impact the safety, durability, and reliability of an opening.

Teaching Friday - 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Select Hinges & PDQ Locks

Explore commercial hinges, locksets, exit devices, installation techniques, product selection, and practical applications that improve long-term opening performance.



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Tom Biondi. Manufacturers' Representative, BCS Sales

With more than forty years of experience in the commercial door hardware and security industry, Tom Biondi has become one of New England's most respected manufacturers' representatives. Throughout his career, he has worked closely with distributors, locksmiths, architects, security integrators, and end users, helping them navigate the continually evolving world of commercial hardware, access control, and life safety solutions.

Representing BCS Sales, Tom has spent decades supporting security professionals with specification assistance, product selection, and technical expertise covering everything from traditional mechanical hardware to today's sophisticated electronic security systems. His extensive industry knowledge, coupled with a practical teaching style, allows him to connect technical concepts with real-world applications that attendees can immediately use in the field.

Tom's sessions are known for blending decades of experience with practical advice, making them valuable for professionals at every stage of their careers.

Teaching Friday - 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Select Hinges & PDQ Locks

Learn proper product selection, installation techniques, commercial hardware applications, and best practices developed through decades of industry experience.



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Ryan Bossie, Development Consultant for Allegion US

Ryan approaches his professional career with passion, positivity, a general love for developing both skills and relationships.

Meeting new people and learning new skills are Ryan's favorite professional achievements.

Ryan spent the first 5 years of his Door and Hardware career working with professional installation teams, managing projects and keeping deadlines.

After joining Allegion, Ryan has spent time developing lasting relationships with the locksmiths of New England, helping to grow their businesses, solve problems, increase their skillsets and make plans for the future.

When not living and breathing all things Allegion, you can find Ryan on the golf course, riding his motorcycle or on stage with his long-running cover band Small Town Stranded (yes they're on YouTube).

Teaching Saturday, 9:00AM – 11:00AM

Saturday Morning Educational Event

The Saturday Security Showdown: Breakfast & Bragging Rights
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Jamie Lyn Callahan, Allegion

Jamie Lyn has been a Channel Sales Manager at Allegion since 2017, where she is responsible for developing her team and driving growth in security and door hardware across four distinct go-to-market channels in two regions. She initially joined Allegion (formerly Ingersoll Rand) in 2006 and has since held various roles of increasing responsibility at both local and national levels, with a focus on wholesale distribution, aftermarket sales, and electronic security.

Since Fall 2021, Jamie Lyn has also served as the Sales Sponsor for Allegion's Early Career Sales Development Program.

In addition to her role at Allegion, Jamie Lyn is an active member of the Security Hardware Distributor Association (SHDA) board, serving on the Education Committee since 2015. In 2023 she was honored by the SIA Women in Security Forum as a Power 100 Honoree for her efforts to elevate standards, challenge expectations, and break barriers within the industry. Jamie Lyn resides in Metro NYC with her husband and three boys and is an active member of the PTA.

Teaching Wednesday – 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

What's New with Allegion

Teaching Saturday, 9:00AM – 11:00AM

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Gene Degre, President, KSP

Gene Degre serves as President of KSP, where he has spent more than twenty-five years leading one of the industry's respected manufacturers of interchangeable core locking systems. During his tenure, Gene has helped modernize manufacturing operations, expand production capabilities, and foster a collaborative culture focused on quality, innovation, and customer service.

His hands-on leadership style and deep understanding of SFIC systems have made him a recognized authority on commercial key systems and interchangeable core technology. Gene's experience extends beyond manufacturing, giving him valuable insight into how locksmiths, institutions, and facility managers depend upon reliable, secure, and scalable key control solutions.

As an instructor, Gene emphasizes practical applications, encouraging attendees to understand not only how interchangeable core systems function, but also why proper planning and implementation are essential to long-term security and operational success.

Areas of Expertise

- SFIC Systems
- Commercial Key Systems
- Manufacturing
- Master Keying
- Key Control

Teaching Friday - 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

The Ins & Outs of SFIC with KSP

Gain a comprehensive understanding of Small Format Interchangeable Core systems, cylinder construction, restricted key systems, master key development, and practical servicing techniques.



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Nick Ferraro, Allegion

Nick Ferraro is an Allegion Sales Consultant based in Connecticut, bringing 15+ years of expertise in the door hardware industry.

Prior to joining Allegion, Nick held the position of Head Locksmith at a private university and served as a Project Manager and Locksmith for a distributor. Nick holds an MBA in Business Management.

Teaching Tuesday – 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Understanding Door Hardware



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Steven Gaudette, ACE Certified Instructor, Lock Labs

Steven Gaudette has built an impressive career in automotive locksmithing through more than fourteen years of hands-on experience in both retail and auction environments. After managing locksmith shops and eventually becoming a business owner himself, Steven expanded his role within the industry by joining Lock Labs as an independent contractor, where he provides technical support for the AutoProPAD programming platform and assists locksmiths across the country with complex programming challenges.

An ACE Certified Instructor, Steven is deeply committed to advancing professional education. In addition to teaching, he coordinates trade show education, supports technical training initiatives, and helps develop educational opportunities for both new and experienced locksmiths. His practical teaching style emphasizes real-world techniques, efficient workflows, and the confidence needed to succeed with today's increasingly sophisticated automotive security systems.

Whether discussing key programming, diagnostics, or modern vehicle technology, Steven focuses on skills attendees can immediately apply in their own businesses, all while remaining a die hard Sox fan.

Areas of Expertise

- Automotive Locksmithing
- Vehicle Programming
- AutoProPAD
- Diagnostics
- Technical Training

Teaching Tuesday – 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Introduction to Automotive Locksmithing

A comprehensive foundation covering modern automotive locksmithing, vehicle security systems, key technologies, and programming fundamentals.

Teaching Friday – 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

VIDA & FDRS: OEM Programming for Volvo & Ford

Learn how to configure and use manufacturer programming platforms while understanding OEM software requirements and programming workflows.



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Sven K. Hellwig Sr., CRL, Co-Owner, SKH Locksmiths Security LLC

With more than forty-five years of automotive locksmithing experience, Sven Hellwig has earned national recognition as one of the industry's leading educators in automotive and motorcycle locksmithing. As co-owner of SKH Locksmiths Security LLC, he oversees both mobile and storefront operations while servicing thousands of automotive and motorcycle lock and key applications throughout the year.

A longtime instructor and leader within the Greater Philadelphia Locksmith Association, Sven has taught dozens of specialized courses covering impressioning, Lishi tools, motorcycle key generation, commercial storefront servicing, transponder technologies, and advanced automotive locksmithing.

His teaching combines decades of field experience with practical demonstrations that help locksmiths improve both efficiency and confidence. Attendees appreciate Sven's ability to simplify difficult procedures while sharing practical tips developed through years of real-world experience.

Areas of Expertise

- Automotive Locksmithing
- Motorcycle Keys
- Lishi Tools
- Key Generation
- Commercial Locksmithing

Teaching Wednesday - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Motorcycle Keys Made Easy

Learn practical techniques for servicing motorcycle and powersports keys, including all-keys-lost situations, decoding, cloning, and specialized tools.

Teaching Thursday - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

The Amazing Lishi Tool: Advanced Picking, Decoding & Key Generation

Master advanced Lishi techniques including decoding, key generation, picking methods, troubleshooting, and field applications across a wide variety of vehicle platforms.



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Vernon Kelley, CFDI, CFLSFDI, CFL, CMIL, CPL, ICML, IFDI, LSFDI, Security Consultant, Author, Life Safety Code Expert

Vernon Kelley has been a respected leader in the locksmith profession since 1989, earning national recognition for his expertise in life safety, means of egress, forensic locksmithing, and institutional security.

As founder of Vernon Kelley Security Consulting, Vernon has advised organizations across the country while authoring books, contributing to industry publications, and helping shape professional education through his work with ALOA and the ALOA Scholarship Foundation.

A prolific instructor and recipient of numerous industry honors, Vernon is widely known for making code requirements understandable while helping locksmiths apply life safety principles in practical, real-world situations. His classes blend technical expertise with decades of investigative and consulting experience, providing attendees with knowledge that extends well beyond the classroom.

Areas of Expertise

- Life Safety Codes
- Fire Door Compliance
- Institutional Security
- Forensic Locksmithing
- Security Consulting

Teaching Tuesday – 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Investigative Locksmithing, Day One

Teaching Wednesday – 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Investigative Locksmithing, Day Two

Teaching Thursday – 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Forensic & Locksmith Photography



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**Paul J. Kline, President, Greater Philadelphia Locksmith Association
Owner, Lightening Locksmithing**

A second-generation locksmith, Paul Kline has spent nearly his entire life in the industry, beginning alongside his father at the age of seven. Today, he owns and operates Lightening Locksmithing, servicing more than eighty automotive vehicles each month while also serving as President and Instructor for the Greater Philadelphia Locksmith Association.

Paul has become nationally recognized for his expertise in automotive locksmithing, motorcycle key generation, and Lishi tools. His classes combine decades of field experience with practical demonstrations that help locksmiths increase efficiency while expanding the services they offer customers. Whether teaching advanced decoding techniques or introducing new technologies,

Paul's instruction is grounded in real-world applications and proven methods. His approachable teaching style and passion for education have made him a frequent instructor at regional and national locksmith conferences throughout the United States.

Areas of Expertise

- Automotive Locksmithing
- Motorcycle Keys
- Lishi Tools
- Key Generation
- Automotive Diagnostics

Teaching Wednesday – 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Motorcycle Keys Made Easy

Gain practical experience servicing motorcycle and powersports keys using modern decoding, cloning, and key generation techniques.

Teaching Thursday – 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

The Amazing Lishi Tool: Advanced Picking, Decoding & Key Generation

Master advanced Lishi applications through hands-on instruction covering decoding, key generation, troubleshooting, and field techniques.



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Jonathan Kowal, Allegion

Jonathan has been in the hardware industry for 12 years and has been with Allegion 3 years working as End User Sales Consultant for Massachusetts market.

He has hands on experience having worked in the locksmith industry with most of his experience in higher education.

Before joining Allegion, he was the Lock and Access Control Supervisor at Amherst College. Jonathan is a native of Massachusetts and studied Business at Western New England University earning a Bachelor of Business Administration degree. Jonathan holds a C.R.I from ALOA.

Teaching Tuesday, 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Preparing for Fire Door Inspections

Teaching Wednesday, 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Understanding School Hardware

Teaching Wednesday, 7:00PM – 9:00PM

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Sarah Russell Melluso, Electronic Sales Engineer

Sarah Russell Melluso has close to three decades of experience across manufacturing, technical support, training, and sales within the security industry.

Sarah started at Locknetics assembling magnetic locks and battery operated locksets, then transitioned to technical support where she developed point-to-point wiring diagrams and end-to-end system designs.

Sarah spent seven years as a national instructor teaching basic electricity, online and offline access control, wireless technologies, and biometrics, before expanding her expertise to another door hardware manufacture and a national security integrator, where she designed access control, intrusion and CCTV systems for customers across multiple vertical markets.

A volunteer instructor for DHI's electrified hardware courses for over 15 years, Sarah returned to Allegion in 2018 and now applies her hands on hardware knowledge and solution focused approach as the Electronic Sales Engineer for New England.

Areas of Expertise

- Technical Support
- Door Hardware
- Wireless Technology
- Biometrics
- Access Control
- Training

Teaching Tuesday, 7:00PM - 9:00PM
Multi-Family Solutions Simplified



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Steven Monroe, Distributor Sales Representative

Steve Monroe has been in the hardware / security business for over 35 years- first 10 years as an independent sales representative, the last 25 years as a distributor sales representative for Allegion.

Steve is an AHC (Architectural Hardware Consultant) and CFDI (Certified Fire Door Inspector) credentialed through the Door and Hardware Institute. He also has his CDT (Construction Document Technologist) through Construction Specifications Institute.

Areas of Expertise

- Architectural Hardware
- Fire Door Assemblies
- Construction Documentation and Specifications

Teaching Tuesday, 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Preparing for Fire Door Inspections

Teaching Wednesday, 7:00PM – 9:00PM

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Teaching Saturday, 9:00AM – 11:00AM

Saturday Morning Educational Event

The Saturday Security Showdown: Breakfast & Bragging Rights
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Josh Oakes, Owner, EKeys4Cars

As a second-generation locksmith, Josh Oakes grew up immersed in the profession, learning firsthand from his father, who has more than forty years of experience in the industry.

Over the past eighteen years, Josh has built a successful career specializing in automotive locksmithing, and in 2026 became owner of EKeys4Cars, leading a growing operation that includes multiple service vehicles, a retail storefront, and a team of professional locksmiths.

In addition to his technical expertise, Josh has developed efficient operating procedures that help streamline daily workflow while maintaining high levels of customer service and technical excellence. His experience as both a technician and business owner allows him to present practical solutions that address the real challenges facing today's automotive locksmiths.

Josh's classes combine hands-on instruction with proven techniques designed to help attendees become faster, more efficient, and more confident in the field. He is a lifelong New Englander and huge Bruins fan,

Areas of Expertise

- Automotive Locksmithing
- Shop Operations
- Vehicle Programming
- Workflow Development
- Business Management

Teaching Tuesday - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Introduction to Automotive Locksmithing

Develop a strong foundation in automotive locksmithing through comprehensive instruction covering vehicle security systems, key technologies, programming fundamentals, and today's essential service techniques.



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Zach Ranney, Channel Distribution Consultant

Zach Ranney supports the New England territory for Allegion, specializing in Single-Family and Multi-Family hardware solutions.

He began his career at a Connecticut-based distributor, where he developed a strong technical foundation by estimating and detailing commercial projects. He is currently pursuing his MBA.

Areas of Expertise

- Single-Family Hardware
- Multi-Family Hardware

Teaching Tuesday - 7:00PM - 9:00PM

Multi-Family Solutions Simplified

Teaching Wednesday - 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

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Clyde T. Roberson, CML, CMST, AHC, CPP, AMKS, CFMST, Director of Product & Field Services, Medeco

With more than forty-five years in the locksmith and security industry, Clyde Roberson has earned international recognition as one of the foremost authorities on high-security cylinders, key control, and intelligent locking systems.

Serving as Director of Product and Field Services for Medeco and ASSA ABLOY High Security Group, Clyde has trained thousands of security professionals through ALOA, ASIS, DHI, and numerous regional and international educational programs.

A respected industry leader, Clyde combines exceptional technical knowledge with an engaging teaching style that helps attendees understand the principles behind high-security locking systems while developing practical skills they can immediately apply in the field.

His classes are ideal for locksmiths seeking to strengthen their understanding of advanced mechanical security and manufacturer-certified products.

Areas of Expertise

- High Security Cylinders
- Medeco Products
- Key Control
- Master Key Systems
- Intelligent Locking Systems

Teaching Tuesday - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Medeco 4 Factory Certification

Complete factory-authorized instruction covering Medeco's latest high-security cylinder technology, intelligent key systems, installation, servicing, and key management principles.

Teaching Wednesday - 7:00PM - 9:00PM

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Guy T. Robinson, PSP, CPL, Security Consultant, ASSA ABLOY Door Security Solutions

Guy Robinson has devoted nearly five decades to the security industry, building an extraordinary career that has included roles as locksmith, business owner, wholesaler, manufacturer's representative, trainer, and security consultant. His experience spans virtually every aspect of commercial security, allowing him to bridge technical expertise with practical application.

While serving with ASSA ABLOY Door Security Solutions, Guy became a trusted advisor to healthcare systems, educational institutions, architects, locksmiths, and systems integrators across the country. He later developed and managed ASSA ABLOY's flagship Academy training facility, helping establish one of the industry's premier destinations for technical education.

Known for his engaging teaching style and ability to simplify complex subjects, Guy focuses on helping attendees understand the practical application of electronic security, code compliance, and commercial hardware solutions.

Areas of Expertise

- Commercial Security
- Electronic Access Control
- Door Hardware
- Training & Education
- Code Compliance

Teaching Wednesday – 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Adams Rite Mechanical Workshop

Explore electric strike selection, installation methods, code compliance, troubleshooting, and current requirements affecting electrified openings.

Teaching Thursday – 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Basic Masterkeying Workshop

Explore electric strike selection, installation methods, code compliance, troubleshooting, and current requirements affecting electrified openings.



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Scott Said, East Coast Regional Manager | American Security (AMSEC)

Scott Said joined American Security (AMSEC) in 2022 as East Coast Regional Manager after spending more than 23 years with Lockmasters, where he became a trusted resource for customers and students alike through his extensive knowledge of electronic and mechanical safe locks. During his time at Lockmasters, Scott taught one-day safe courses as well as portions of the company's intensive week-long safe training program.

A longtime instructor for SAVTA, ALOA, the Yankee Security Convention, and numerous regional locksmith associations, Scott is known for sharing practical, up-to-date knowledge on the latest safes, safe locks, and servicing techniques. In 2022, he was honored with SAVTA's inaugural Mark Miller ACE Instructor Award, recognizing his outstanding commitment to professional education within the safe and vault industry.

Whether working with dealers, supporting customers, exhibiting at trade shows, or leading a classroom, Scott is known for bringing energy, expertise, and a commitment to giving 110 percent.

Areas of Expertise

- Safe & Vault Servicing
- Electronic Safe Locks
- Mechanical Safe Locks
- Technical Training
- Safe Diagnostics
- Dealer Support

Teaching Tuesday - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

AMSEC Electronic Safe Locks (ESL)



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Rodger Schmidt, ALOA

Rodger Schmidt is an ALOA Certified ACE instructor and Certified Fire Door Inspector, with 23 years of fire, security, and access control experience. Rodger has held positions including Sales Manager, Training Manager (for a company with over 140 technicians) and Service Manager. Rodger was instrumental in the planning and development of a state-of-the-art operational training center. This facility was used for in-house, hands-on training for technicians and for hosting the Arizona State Fire School program for building and fire inspectors.

He has worked for ASSA ABLOY in the Phoenix, AZ facility for the past 10 years as a national trainer. In addition, Rodger has developed 40 unique in-person and virtual classes and conducted over 3,000 classes over this time with over 28,000 attendees including locksmiths, access control technicians, and building and fire code officials. He has been a representative of ASSA ABLOY to SIA as an instructor for the Security Project Manager Program for the last 7 years.

In March of 2003, Rodger retired from the US Air Force with over 22 years of active duty and reserve military service. We thank you Rodger for your service.

Areas of Expertise

- Fire Door Inspections & Code Compliance
- Commercial Door Hardware
- Access Control Systems & Electronic Security
- Life Safety, Egress
- Physical Security Solutions
- Security Project Management
- Locksmith Training & Education
- Building & Fire Codes
- Technical Training & Curriculum Development

Teaching Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Low Voltage Electricity, Simple Circuitry Development Wiring & Troubleshooting,

Teaching Friday - 8:00AM - 12:00PM

Electric Strike Applications & Installation



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Matt Smith, Commercial Hardware Instructor, Allegion

Matt Smith brings a unique combination of institutional locksmithing experience and manufacturer expertise to the classroom. Before joining Allegion's training team, Matt spent more than thirteen years serving as Assistant Director of Access Control at Ohio University, where he supervised the university lock shop and managed the security needs of a large campus environment. That experience gave him firsthand knowledge of the challenges locksmiths face every day, from maintaining code compliance to selecting hardware that performs reliably in demanding institutional settings.

Today, Matt serves on Allegion's commercial training team, educating locksmiths, distributors, and security professionals on door hardware, fire door requirements, automatic operators, and access control solutions. Matt's classes are especially valuable for professionals responsible for schools, healthcare facilities, commercial buildings, and government properties where safety, accessibility, and code compliance are critical.

Areas of Expertise

- Commercial Door Hardware
- Fire Door Inspections
- Automatic Operators
- Access Control
- Institutional Security & Code Compliance

Teaching Tuesday – 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Preparing for Fire Door Inspections

Learn inspection requirements, documentation, common deficiencies, and practical methods for maintaining fire-rated openings in accordance with current codes.

Teaching Wednesday – 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Understanding Door Hardware

Teaching Thursday – 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

LCN Automatic Operators & ADA Compliance

Explore automatic operator systems, ADA requirements, installation techniques, troubleshooting, and long-term maintenance best practices.



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Brian Strom, Director of Sales & Marketing, KSP

Brian Strom brings more than forty years of experience in the locksmith and security industry to every presentation he delivers. During his distinguished career, Brian has held leadership positions with respected organizations including All Lock, Alarm Lock, Medeco, Seclock, and KSP, providing him with an exceptional understanding of commercial locking systems, sales, manufacturing, and customer support.

As Director of Sales & Marketing for KSP, Brian has helped expand the company's presence throughout the marketplace while building lasting relationships with locksmiths, distributors, and institutional customers. His energetic presentation style and extensive product knowledge make complex technical concepts accessible to professionals at every experience level.

Brian combines decades of industry insight with practical applications, helping attendees better understand interchangeable core systems and commercial key management.

Areas of Expertise

- SFIC Systems
- Commercial Locking Systems
- Sales & Marketing
- Key Control
- Product Training

Teaching Friday - 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

The Ins & Outs of SFIC with KSP

Learn the principles of interchangeable core systems, master key planning, cylinder servicing, restricted key systems, and practical commercial applications.



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Phil Sutherland, Business Development Manager, MB USA

With more than thirty years in the Safe & Vault industry, Phil Sutherland has developed an impressive career spanning technical support, training, project management, distribution, sales, and business development. As Business Development Manager for MBA USA, he continues to educate locksmiths and safe technicians throughout North America while supporting customers with practical technical solutions.

An ALOA ACE Certified Instructor, Phil has earned a reputation for making complex safe and vault concepts understandable through clear instruction and real-world demonstrations. His extensive knowledge of mechanical and electronic locking systems allows attendees to better understand safe construction, servicing techniques, diagnostics, and preventative maintenance.

Phil's sessions provide valuable insight for both experienced safe technicians and locksmiths looking to expand into one of the industry's most specialized disciplines.

Areas of Expertise

- Safe & Vault Servicing
- Electronic Safe Locks
- Technical Training
- Safe Diagnostics
- Business Development

Teaching Wednesday and Thursday – 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Safe & Vault Servicing, Day One and Two

Develop a comprehensive understanding of safe construction, servicing procedures, diagnostics, repairs, opening techniques, and preventative maintenance.



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Jeremy Terry, Instructor, MBA USA

Jeremy Terry's path into locksmithing began with a personal interest in lock picking while working in a hardware store, eventually leading to an eleven-year professional career serving residential, commercial, automotive, and safe customers throughout Kentucky. Along the way, Jeremy discovered a passion for education, regularly training fellow locksmiths in new tools, techniques, and field procedures.

Today, as an instructor for MBA USA, Jeremy continues helping locksmiths develop practical technical skills while emphasizing safe, efficient installation practices. His broad background across multiple disciplines allows him to connect electronic security concepts with traditional locksmithing techniques in a way that is easy to understand and immediately applicable.

Jeremy's approachable teaching style encourages participation, making his classes especially valuable for technicians expanding into electronic security and low-voltage systems.

Areas of Expertise

- Low Voltage Systems
- Electronic Security
- Residential Locksmithing
- Commercial Locksmithing
- Technical Training

Teaching Wednesday and Thursday – 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Safe & Vault Servicing, Day One and Two

Develop a comprehensive understanding of safe construction, servicing procedures, diagnostics, repairs, opening techniques, and preventative maintenance.



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John Truempy, CFL, CRL, CMIL, ICML, IFDI, LSFDI, Author, Educator, Forensic Locksmith

Widely regarded as one of the industry's foremost authorities on forensic locksmithing, institutional security, and master key systems, John Truempy has dedicated his career to advancing locksmith education through teaching, writing, and professional leadership. He has authored numerous books, taught nationally recognized courses, and served in leadership positions with ALOA and the ALOA Scholarship Foundation.

John's expertise extends across forensic investigations, master key systems, institutional locksmithing, and security management. His ability to combine technical precision with engaging instruction has made him one of the most respected educators in the profession.

Attendees consistently value John's ability to explain complex investigative concepts while demonstrating practical techniques that improve documentation, reporting, and professional credibility.

Areas of Expertise

- Forensic Locksmithing
- Institutional Security
- Master Key Systems
- Investigations
- Professional Education

Teaching Tuesday and Wednesday- 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Investigative Locksmithing, Day One and Day Two

Teaching Thursday - 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Forensic & Locksmith Photography



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Jason Wolbert, Multi-Point Lock

Jayson Wolbert is a skilled locksmith, master marketer, serial entrepreneur, and real estate investor. Known for his 100% authentic, "no-BS" approach, Jayson helps service-based entrepreneurs break through glass ceilings and build long-term wealth.

Raised in a blue-collar family just outside of Nashville, Tennessee, Jayson watched his father struggle to grow a small locksmithing business. He quickly noticed this wasn't an isolated issue. Many local blue-collar business owners were working for decades, only to retire penniless. Disheartened but determined, Jayson decided to find a better way. Recognizing that the average locksmith couldn't teach him how to build true wealth, he invested heavily in himself and sought out world-class sales, marketing training, and business coaching.

He applied these principles directly to the family trade, transforming Empire Lock & Safe into a wildly successful enterprise. Established in 1970 and serving Middle Tennessee and Southern Kentucky since 1980, Empire Lock has grown into a regional powerhouse. Today, Empire Lock sets the industry standard by prioritizing ongoing team education and round-the-clock service. Customers are always greeted by a live, local team member—even after hours. Grounded in integrity, if Empire Lock cannot service a client in a timely manner, they will personally help them find a trusted professional in their area.

Jayson spends most of his time traveling, teaching, and helping entrepreneurs transform their business models and build authentic relationships.

Areas of Expertise

- Skilled Locksmith
- Master Marketer
- Entrepreneurship

Teaching Friday – 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Multi-Point Lock Installations and Servicing



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Karen Zawalich, Vice President of Sales & Marketing, KSP

Karen Zawalich brings more than thirty-six years of experience with KSP and has become one of the industry's most knowledgeable professionals regarding Small Format Interchangeable Core (SFIC) systems and key control solutions. Throughout her career, she has played a critical role in customer service, order fulfillment, sales, marketing, and technical support, helping locksmiths and institutions successfully implement secure interchangeable core systems.

Her extensive product knowledge, combined with decades of direct customer interaction, provides attendees with valuable insight into practical applications, system planning, and the importance of maintaining effective key control. Karen is known for her approachable personality, attention to detail, and commitment to ensuring every customer receives exceptional service and support.

Her presentations combine technical expertise with real-world experience, helping participants better understand how properly designed SFIC systems contribute to long-term security and operational efficiency.

Areas of Expertise

- SFIC Systems
- Customer Support
- Key Control
- Commercial Security
- Sales & Marketing

Teaching Friday – 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

The Ins & Outs of SFIC with KSP

Explore interchangeable core systems, master key development, restricted key systems, cylinder construction, and practical servicing techniques used throughout commercial and institutional facilities.



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