

THE ART OF READING SMOKE

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Learn to become **INTELLECTUALLY AGGRESSIVE** on the fireground to be more decisive and aggressive.

Today's structure fires are more dangerous than ever before. Lightweight construction, low-mass synthetics, and open space floorplans have created a perfect storm for rapid, prolific fire growth and extreme behavior.

It is imperative for firefighters of all ranks and experience levels to be prepared for this new battle.

The Art of Reading Smoke provides the knowledge necessary for first-arriving firefighters, officers, and chief officers to determine the fire's location, progression, and future *"from the seat" before the seat gets hot!*



ONE DAY ONLY!
NOVEMBER 15, 2026
8:30AM – 4:30PM



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