

New York Anti Car Theft & Fraud Association, Inc.

# NVACT



## Association Information & Membership Benefits

for  
Insurance  
Companies  
& Law Enforcement  
Agencies



Fighting the escalating cost of vehicle theft and insurance fraud through education with the cooperation of the insurance industry and law enforcement across New York State.



# WHO WE ARE

The New York Anti Car Theft & Fraud Association, Inc. (NYACT) was founded in 1978 to provide education, training and professional development for the insurance industry and law enforcement personnel in combating vehicle crime and insurance fraud in the Empire State. Our mission is accomplished through regularly scheduled full day and half day training seminars, specialized programs and workshops, and online training. All training is presented by nationally and statewide known experts from the insurance industry and law enforcement sector.

NYACT is an umbrella organization supported by members that include most insurance companies licensed in New York, a broad spectrum of government and regulatory agencies that lend their support to our efforts. NYACT insurance industry educational training seminars are dependent upon and made possible entirely through funding received by our member insurance companies.

NYACT law enforcement educational training seminars are funded by a grant from the New York State Motor Vehicle Theft & Insurance Fraud Prevention Board and administered by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services. These funds are specifically targeted for law enforcement training.

NYACT is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors made up of representatives of our member companies and agencies.

In order to better serve the membership across New York, the association established a State Office in Albany in 2010.

NYACT's professional staff is here to serve the needs of member companies, agencies and their employees.

Require Additional Information?  
Contact the NYACT State Office  
(518) 694-8470 : [nyact@caphill.com](mailto:nyact@caphill.com)

# WHAT WE DO

**NYACT seeks to achieve its mission in a variety of ways, including:**

- Anti vehicle crime and insurance fraud training seminars, free to employees of member companies and agencies, held throughout New York State.
- Special "hands-on" workshops and programs.
- Annual State Education Conferences held at both Upstate and Downstate venues.
- A wide range of informative and relevant training and professional development topics offered.
- Networking opportunities between insurance and law enforcement professionals—allowing each to learn from the other's perspectives.
- Regular communication and updates for your employees through NYACT e-News.
- New York State government updates on issues pertaining to our mission and members' professions.
- Interactive website offering the latest news from anti vehicle crime and fraud front, association programming, and online registration.
- Webinar training series.
- Consumer information on staged accidents, carjacking, auto theft, identity theft and more.
- Honor outstanding member employees through Annual Awards Program.
- State Office Staff available to assist with questions and issues from the field.



## NYACT ANNUAL AWARDS

Each year NYACT honors outstanding insurance company and law enforcement members for their contributions in fighting vehicle crime and insurance fraud.

### THESE AWARDS INCLUDE: THE JOSEPH MCDONALD AWARD

The Joseph McDonald Award is NYACT's most prestigious honor and is presented in recognition of contributions to the prevention and investigation of automobile theft and insurance fraud in New York State and for dedication, support and contributions to the mission and work of NYACT. This award is named in honor of Joe McDonald, a co-founder of NYACT and dedicated vehicle crime and fraud fighter.

### THE JOHN J. KENNEDY AWARD

The John J. Kennedy Award is presented in recognition for outstanding service by Law Enforcement to the investigation and prevention of automobile theft and insurance fraud. This award is named in honor of J.J. Kennedy, who started his career with the New York City Police Department in 1966 and retired as a Detective from the Auto Crimes Division. He later served at the National Insurance Crime Bureau.

### CERTIFICATES OF MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT

NYACT also honors members from the insurance industry and law enforcement for excellence in vehicle crime investigation and fraud fighting throughout the year.



# RAISING AWARENESS

Providing outstanding training to New York State insurance SIU, claims and law enforcement personnel is NYACT's main mission. But we also know that an informed public also helps in the fight against vehicle crime and insurance fraud.

Over the years, NYACT has been the subject of several "Anti-Car Theft" news features. NYACT has also delivered its message during primetime television: total commitment to preventing auto theft and fighting the criminal element that has turned auto theft and insurance fraud (especially in the PIP area) into sophisticated, money making bonanza at the expense of consumers and insurers. Although we know our efforts have played an important role in reducing vehicle crime and insurance fraud, NYACT needs to continue its fast pace to keep insurance personnel and law enforcement prepared and trained in the fight against insurance fraud crimes, such as staged accidents, "jump ins" at accident sites, runners, stolen identity, caused accidents, forged accident reports and medical mill claims. These crimes, with all their subsequent medical and property claim costs, have had a negative impact on the insurance rates for all New Yorkers.

Help NYACT advance this message and expand our acclaimed training programs that have a real and positive effect on fighting vehicle crime and insurance fraud in New York State...**BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!**

Membership Rates & Application can be found within.

# MEMBER FEEDBACK

*Thank you for providing the half day training seminar in our area. It was an excellent and well thought out program. I learned a number of useful techniques today that I look forward to applying to my future cases. I know they will help me be more successful and will save my company time and money.*

- Insurance Company Member, SIU Investigator

*Today was one of the best professional programs I have ever attended. Your presenters were top-notch and the live aspects of the training allowed me to know exactly what I should look for in the field. On top of that, I met several colleagues who dealt with cases similar to one I am working on now—and I took some tips from them.*

- Law Enforcement Member

# TRAINING TOPICS

SAMPLE OF THE MANY OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONAL TRAINING TOPICS AND PROGRAMS OFFERED BY NYACT ACROSS NEW YORK STATE...

- Application Fraud: What Happens in New York State*
- Rate Evasion by New York State Residents in Pennsylvania*
- Using Social Networking for Staged/Caused Accidents*
- Property Claim Fire Investigation*
- Insurance Fraud: Important Procedures & Legal Issues*
- Recognizing the Signs of Arson: A Law Enforcement Perspective for Insurance Personnel*
- No-Fault Fraud: The Latest Schemes & Scams*
- Auto Crimes School*
- Vehicle Arson Awareness Program*
- Heavy Equipment Theft Summit*
- NYS Office of the Worker's Compensation Fraud Inspector General Updates*
- NYS DMV's Facial Recognition Workshop*
- Fraud Indicators in Arson Investigations: A Federal Perspective*
- SIU/Claims Intelligence Briefing*
- Affirmative Litigation & PIP*
- Battling Auto Theft in New York State*
- VIN Cloning & Motor Vehicle Title Fraud*
- Fraud Patterns & Trends in New York State*
- Successful Prosecution of Auto Theft & Insurance Fraud Related Cases*
- Patrol & Law Enforcement Reference*
- Inspection/Dealer Plate Issues: How DMV Can Assist Investigations*
- FBI Health Care Fraud Task Force: Impact on Insurance Fraud (NF, PIP, P&C)*
- A Neurologist's Take on No-Fault Fraud: The Medical Perspective*
- Making SIU Results Count in Court*

# NYACT ONLINE

Our website serves as members' clearinghouse for the latest information on training opportunities, events and professional resources. Check out our expanding webinar training series.

[www.nyact.org](http://www.nyact.org)

The screenshot shows the NYACT website homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'About Us', 'Leadership', 'Calendar', 'Training', 'Consumer Info', 'Members Only', and 'Law Enforcement Only'. Below the navigation bar, the main content area is divided into several sections. On the left, there is a 'Welcome to NYACT' section with a sub-header 'What's new?' and a paragraph of text. In the center, there is a '2011 Training Dates' section with a call to action 'REGISTER TODAY FOR THE LAST TRAINING SEMINAR OF 2011!' and details about a 'Joint NYACT-NYPTI Half Day Training Seminar in Utica' on Thursday, December 1, 2011. On the right, there is a 'Our Mission' section with a paragraph of text and an image of a person. At the bottom, there is a 'Take Off to Professional Excellence 2011 Annual Education Conference' section with details about the date and location.



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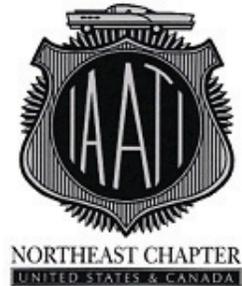


# TRAINING RESOURCES & PARTNERS

NYACT is proud to work with a wide variety of New York State and national agencies and associations to produce our outstanding training programs. We also work collaboratively with regional and local agencies for training venues and local experts. NYACT educational opportunities compliment and augment our partners' specific missions.



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