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For a year after boaters found a young woman's torso in Ryan Slough, the Humboldt County Sheriff's Department had no suspects in her murder. That all changed one November evening when a 36-year-old man walked into the sheriff's station in Eureka and turned himself in with a woman's breast in his coat pocket, saying he wanted to stop killing. In the coming days, Wayne Adam Ford told detectives the gruesome details about how he made four young women stop breathing during rough sex. This is his story.

BODY PARTS

By Caitlin Rother, author of *Dead Reckoning*, *Poisoned Love*, *Naked Addiction*, *Twisted Triangle* and *Lost Girls*, co-author of *Where Hope Begins/Deadly Devotion* and *My Life, Deleted*

"With a seasoned journalist's doggedness and a novelist's ear for drama, Caitlin Rother paints every page with all the violent colors of a malignant sociopath's fever and captures what all too often is hidden right in plain sight," says **Ron Franscell, bestselling author of *The Darkest Night***. "This kind of frightening and fascinating glimpse into a killer's mind is rare, and an extremely intuitive Rother makes the most of it."

"As with all of her nonfiction, Caitlin Rother delivers page-turning excitement and blood curdling terror once again with *BODY PARTS*," says **M. William Phelps, author of *I'll Be Watching You***. "Using a reporter's edge, a novelist's eye, and a crime-scene investigator's nose for evidence, Rother's latest is all at once riveting, unbelievable, fast-paced, and sure to keep you up at night wondering how evil seems to top itself time and again."

"Rother has produced a superior study of the formation of a serial killer and his lost and lonely victims," says **Carol Anne Davis, author of *Sadistic Killers***. "You'll want to lock up your daughters – and raise your sons with respect and compassion – after reading about the depraved acts of Wayne Adam Ford."

"Rother explores Ford's savage career in chilling detail," says **Simon Read, author of *In the Dark***. "Her fast-paced narrative and the brutality of Ford's rampage come together in a book crime aficionados will be loathe to put down. A story this shocking can only be true."

BODY PARTS takes a deep psychological look at the life of serial killer Wayne Adam Ford. A long-haul trucker, Ford confessed to picking up dozens of prostitutes and troubled women along California roads. He tortured and choked them during sex, resuscitating them when they passed out, and went at it again. Only four, he claimed, didn't survive. After dismembering two of them, he dumped their bodies in aqueducts and waterways in San Bernardino, Humboldt, Kern and San Joaquin counties.

Ford's complex death penalty case made national news because he is one of the only serial killers to turn himself in, help authorities identify his victims, and show remorse for his acts. Now on Death Row at San Quentin state prison, he claims these women's deaths were accidental.

BODY PARTS, released in March 2009, is heavily based on new information Rother uncovered

during her extensive research and exclusive interviews with Ford's father and brother, the prosecutor, sheriff's detectives from all four counties, and the defense's sole investigator. By obtaining a court order to release sealed court files and digging through boxes of evidence and investigators' reports, Rother was able to paint comprehensive and compelling portraits of Ford, his family and his victims. Rother's book shows readers how Ford's family dynamics, his severe head injury, his bouts of mental illness, and his sexual perversions all led to his tragic killing spree, tearful confessions and dramatic trial.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Pulitzer-nominated investigative journalist Caitlin Rother is the author or co-author of eight books: *Dead Reckoning*, *Poisoned Love*, *Naked Addiction*, *Body Parts*, *Twisted Triangle*, *Deadly Devotion*, *My Life, Deleted*, and *Lost Girls*. Rother, who worked at daily newspapers for nearly 20 years before becoming a full-time author, has also been published in *Cosmopolitan*, the *Los Angeles Times*, *The San Diego Union-Tribune*, *The Washington Post*, *Chicago Tribune*, *Boston Globe*, and *The Daily Beast*. She has done dozens of TV and radio appearances as a crime expert on shows including E!'s *Women Who Kill*; *Snapped* on the Oxygen Network; Greta Van Susteren's *On the Record*; *Who The Bleep Did I Marry?*, *On the Case With Paula Zahn*, *True Crime With Aphrodite Jones*, *Wicked Attraction*, and *Deadly Women* on Investigation Discovery; *America at Night*; the American Radio Network; various NPR and PBS affiliates, and XM radio. She is the founder of the San Diego Writing Women blog, and teaches journalism and writing workshops at UCSD Extension. Rother's first thriller, *Naked Addiction*, will be released in January 2012, and her next true crime, *Lost Girls*, about the rape and killing of teenagers Chelsea King and Amber Dubois by sexual predator John Gardner, will be out in July 2012.

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