

# Knife Purportedly Found at OJ Simpson Home

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(AP) — Detectives are investigating a knife purportedly found some time ago at the former home of O.J. Simpson, who was acquitted of murder charges in the 1994 stabbings of his ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ron Goldman, a police spokesman said Friday.

The knife was supposedly found by a citizen, possibly during demolition of Simpson's former home years ago, and turned over to a now-retired police motorcycle officer who was working as a film-

ing location security guard, police Capt. Andy Neiman said.

The weapon used in the killings has been a mystery for decades.

The knife came to light in the past month, but Neiman did not say how that occurred, stressing the authenticity of the story was not confirmed.

"Possibly the story is bogus from the get-go," he said.

The knife is being analyzed by an LAPD crime lab. Neiman said investigators didn't know the identity of the person who handed it over and asked him or her to come forward.

The killings occurred on June 12, 1994, and led to the "Trial of the Century" in which the former football star was acquitted in Oc-

tober 1995 by a jury that deliberated only four hours.

In 1997, a civil court jury found Simpson liable for the slayings and awarded millions of dollars in damages to families of the victims.

Neiman did not believe that Simpson could be charged again with murder if the knife is linked to the killings, citing double jeopardy.

"I'm not an attorney but it's my understanding from being a police officer for nearly 30 years that double jeopardy would be in place here," he said.

Simpson is imprisoned in Nevada for a 2008 armed robbery and kidnapping conviction.

The account of the knife's discovery was first reported by TMZ.

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point in a way that is very thoughtful and meaningful.

According to the playbill, there are scenes that are extremely funny and contemporary, also highly engaging and entertaining, some that are historically educational about colonialism and the genocide of the Herero, and laced throughout are deeply disturbing social observations and criticisms.

"Artists Rep has a very long history of doing tough plays and this one is definitely that," said Nicole Lane, the theater's marketing and public relations director.

Director Jones has a great deal to say about what the play is from his perspective.

"Jackie Sibblies Drury poses many questions for us to wrestle with and yet she offers very few answers," Jones said. "One of the questions Drury's provocative play asks is: What is our responsibility as artists to the stories that we tell and to the owners of those stories? Is it actually possible in America, in the 21st Century, to tell a story about distant genocide without the story being appropriated by a contemporary conversation about race? In this day and age when we engage with information on a sound byte level, what is our role in sifting through the rhetoric and extracting useful meaning?"

Preview performances began on Tuesday with the opening night performance on Saturday, March 12. The production runs through April 3 on the Morrison Stage, 1515 S.W. Morrison St. Regular admission is \$48 and \$25 for preview shows and students under 25. For tickets and more information, visit artistsrep.org or call 503-241-1278.

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