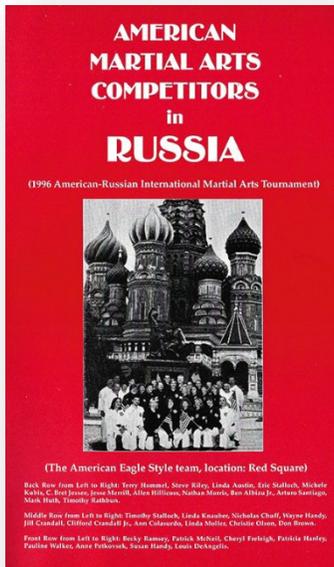




OUR PUBLICATIONS

American Martial Arts Competitors in Russia



OUT OF PRINT. First Released in 1997. VHS.

A 50-minute educational documentary video tape was done about this group of competitors and their trip to Russia. Over 500 copies were distributed to schools, libraries, and colleges.

American-Russian International Martial Arts Tournament

In June and July 1996, the International College of Martial Arts in Europe invited the world to come to St. Petersburg Russia to share in the knowledge of the martial arts cultural differences and ideas.

This exchange would take place over a week of training and a two-day tournament held at one of the largest stadiums in St.

Petersburg. This offer was promoted in martial arts magazines, such

as Black Belt magazine, as well as many newspapers and T.V. shows. Only a small group of Americans accepted the invitation, which meant hard work as well as time lost from work and financial costs.

Russia was going through its elections and their new freedom was still a challenge and at times a hardship on the Russian people. The American news media was magnifying all of these difficulties in Russia, which may have resulted in so few Americans taking this opportunity to share martial arts knowledge with Russia and the Baltic countries. The American Martial Arts Institute did answer the invitation and carried the American Eagle Style to the winner's circle many times.

The following was the news release used by over fourteen newspapers as well as five T.V. stations as a foundation for their news release upon the return of the group.

Americans Fight to Make Friends in Russia.

The American team succeeded in winning 18 medals during two-day international martial arts tournament held in St. Petersburg, Russia last week, and at the same time made friends with thousands of Russians. Of the eighteen medals won, thirteen were won by members of the American

Martial Arts Institute under the direction of Grand Master Clifford C. Crandall Jr. who coached and trained them specifically for this tournament. The Eagle Style taught in this school demonstrated American skills in the use of weapons from around the world plus traditional and new katas. This winning team of 30 competitors under Crandall's coaching was comprised of twenty black belts and ten brown belts and were the only Americans to participate in the tournament from the State of New York. As a result, they not only represented the United States, but New York State specifically. They presented the New York State Flag along with other gifts to the St. Petersburg and Russian governmental leaders. Master Nikolai Smirnov, one of the leading martial artists in Russia and the diplomat for the International Martial Arts College in Europe, said "seeing a truly American style and school gave new meaning to the position the martial arts have taken in the United States." The school has a rich history blending Korean, Japanese, Chinese and American Law Enforcement tactics. Gold medals were won in men's weapons kata divisions and men's musical kata divisions. In all this American team won 3 gold, 4 silver and 6 bronze medals.

The following are the names of the medal winners:

Gold Medals (3):

Mr. Arturo Santiago Jr. of Saratoga Springs, New York Divisions = Weapons Kata with Japanese Tonfas and Musical Kata

Mrs. Linda Austin of Schaghticoke, New York Division = Empty Hand Kata (did Traditional Korean Kata)

Silver Medals (3):

Mr. Benedicto Albizu Jr. of Hudson, New York Division = Team Kumite (He was the American representative on the international team for free fighting)

Miss Linda Moller of Valatie, New York Division = Weapons Kata with Japanese Tonfa

Mrs. Becky Ramsey of Sand Lake, New York Division = Weapons Kata with Japanese Tonfa

Bronze Medals (5):

Mrs. Jill Crandall of Utica, New York Divisions = Weapons Kata with Chinese Half-Moon Staff and Musical Kata with Japanese Naginata

Dr. Nicholas Chuff of Ilion, New York Division = Empty Hand Kata (did Traditional Korean Kata)

Miss Linda Moller of Valatie, New York Division = Empty Hand Kata (did Traditional Korean Kata)

Mr. Patrick McNeil of Webster, New York Division = Empty Hand Kata (did Traditional Korean Kata)

This tournament was sponsored by the largest martial arts organization in Europe and Asia called the International Martial Arts College. A few of the countries which sent teams include Byle Russia, Ukraine, Estonia, Germany, China, Omsk Siberia and Yukods Siberia.

Grand Master Crandall was interviewed by T.V. networks and newspapers and was presented with a Diploma for his outstanding personal achievements and contributions to the world class development of martial arts at a ceremony on Saturday evening. He was quoted as saying, "there is no doubt that American martial arts is now a major factor in the growth of the martial arts in the world and that this responsibility to maintain quality and the courtesies of good mental and physical health should not be taken lightly by American martial arts leaders."

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Contrary to the in-depth detail in the martial arts instructional tapes and books produced by Tonfa Master Enterprises, this tape is a documentary about the 30 American Martial Arts Institute competitors and their coach who represented the New York State and the United States in the American-Russian International Martial Arts Tournament in July of 1996. This group and the American Eagle Style they demonstrated won 13 medals in this world competition and opened the eyes of many in Europe and the Baltic countries to the impact that American Styles are having on the world of martial arts.

The primary company making this documentary available for distribution is Tonfa Master Enterprises. Tonfa Master Enterprises has provided some of the highest quality instructional video tapes and books in the area of the martial arts, geared for both beginners and the Masters. These fully instructional tapes and books are listed below. Check with major international distributors of martial arts materials or write Tonfa Master Enterprises, P.O. Box 4264, Utica, New York 13504 for more information.

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- American Eagle Style Instructional Textbook**
ISBN: 0-9636605-3-5, Library of Congress Catalog Card Number: 96-61574. This 293-page book is an instructional textbook covering the details and format of one of the most recognized American martial arts styles in the world. Author: Clifford C. Crandall, Jr.

VIDEO TAPES

- The Tonfa: An Extension of the Mind and Body**, length 30 min. This instructional video tape presents the history of the Tonfa, individual blocks and strikes, plus general uses of the tonfa. Good for law enforcement personnel as well as martial artists. Plus the single tonfa kata called "Yom Chi." Instructor: Clifford C. Crandall, Jr.
- Women's Self-Defense Volume 1**, length 55 min. This instructional video tape designed for women 18 years and up is uniquely presented from the point of view of the non-martial artist and focuses on awareness and avoidance as the primary choice. On location examples of situations are viewed on the street and in parking lots. Instructors: Clifford C. Crandall, Jr. and Jill Crandall.
- The Naginata at its Best**, length 55 min. This instructional video tape blends the traditional history and moves with a modern presentation of a tournament kata called "Omou." This video tape has been credited by many as bridging the gap and bringing the naginata into everyday acceptance by martial artists in general practice and tournaments. Instructor: Jill Crandall.
- The Best Tournament Tonfa**, length 60 min. This instructional video tape blends Japanese, Korean, Chinese and American moves into a demanding and explosive two-tonfa kata called "The Swirling Dragon." Also covers stretching basics and the much more complicated tonfa spins and flips. Instructor: Clifford C. Crandall Jr. assisted by two of his black belt tonfa instructors, Allen Hillicoss and Christie Vacca.

Plus custom made Tonfas and Naginatas and educational documentary tapes on the 1994 China*America International Martial Arts Team and the American competitors of the international martial arts tournament held in St. Petersburg, Russia 1996. Length 45 minutes

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AMERICAN MARTIAL ARTS COMPETITORS in RUSSIA

(1996 American-Russian International Martial Arts Tournament)



(The American Eagle Style team, location: Red Square)

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