



## THE 11th UNITED STATES NAGINATA CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

We are happy to announce the 11th U.S. Naginata Championship Tournament as follows:

1. Sponsor:	United States Naginata Federation
2. Host:	Greater New York Naginata Federation
3. Date:	Saturday, August 15, 2009, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
4. Place:	Mount Holyoke College South Hadley, MA
5. Events:	<p>(1) <i>Shiai</i> (Team matches)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Events: Men's and Women's Team</li><li>b) Each federation may field one Men's Team and one Women's Team (3 players each)</li><li>c) The method of match shall be the round-robin or tournament system</li><li>d) The matches will be <i>sanbon shobu</i>, 3 minute duration, no <i>encho</i> (extension)</li></ul> <p>(2) <i>Shiai</i> (Individual matches)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Events: Men's and Women's individual. 2 divisions (<i>Yudansha &amp; Dangai</i>)</li><li>b) The method of match shall be the tournament or round-robin system</li><li>c) The matches will consist of <i>sanbon shobu</i>, 3 minute duration, <i>encho</i> (extension) will be 2 minutes (2 <i>encho</i>, then <i>hantei</i>).</li></ul> <p>(3) <i>Engi</i> (Kata matches) <i>Shikake-oji waza</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Events: 1) <i>Yudansha</i> (<i>dan</i> holder) group— No. 1, 3, 7 2) <i>Dangai</i> (no <i>dan</i>) group— No.1, 2, 4</li><li>b) The method of match shall be the tournament system or round-robin.</li></ul> <p>(4) <i>Zen nihon kata</i> (Kata matches)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) <i>Yudansha</i> (<i>dan</i> holder group: <i>sandan</i> and up) No. 1, 4, 5</li><li>b) The method of match shall be the tournament system or round-robin.</li></ul> <p>(5) Youth Event</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><i>Engi</i> — No.1, 2, 4</li><li><i>Shiai</i> (Individual matches - same tournament rules as adults; no <i>ishizuki tsuki</i> and no <i>ebu sune</i>)</li></ul> <p>(6) Goodwill Event</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) USA vs. Canada Team Match</li></ul>

	<p>b) Each national federation may field one Team (size to be determined).</p> <p>c) The method of match shall be the round-robin or tournament system</p> <p>d) The matches will be <i>sanbon shobu</i>, 3 minute duration, no <i>encho</i> (extension)</p>
6. Match Rules:	Regulation of the matches will be according to the Naginata Tournament and Refereeing Regulations of the All Japan Naginata Federation as modified by the USNF.
7. Prize Giving:	Prizes and/or certificates will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places
8. Qualification:	Adult Players must be USNF members ages 18 and up. <b>Minor Players for Youth Events must be USNF members ages 14 to 17.</b>
9. Application:	Enclosed application form should be completed by each <b>regional federation</b> listing each individual who plans to attend. <b>Application should be received by the USNF Office by July 10, 2009.</b> Mail to: Karen Y. Schmucker, USNF Executive Secretary, 6640 170 <sup>th</sup> Place SE, Bellevue, WA 98006.
10. Accommodations:	12-16 Aug 2009. MHC Dormitory. Single or double room. Single rate: \$61.25/day. Double rate: \$53.25/day. Rate includes meals and taxes. Free wireless internet access available. Vegetarian meals available. Participants with food allergies or any additional dietary special needs, please let the USNF Office know at least 10 days prior to the event so that we may inform MHC. Early staff arrival 11 August. No meals; room rate \$35.00.
11. Entry Fee:	Team match: \$50.00 per team, one event: \$10.00, \$5:00/person, insurance fee. Check payable to USNF ( <i>i.e., an individual who was in the Men's Shiai, the Engi, and the Zen Nihon events would be charged \$30 plus a \$5 insurance fee. If that same person were part of a men's team, his regional federation would pay \$50 for the team.</i> )
12. Contact:	Karen Yesowich Schmucker, USNF Executive Secretary, 425-401-5046, or 425-736-5663, karen@kysdesigns.com



## 2009 UNITED STATES NAGINATA FEDERATION SEMINAR / EXAM

1. Sponsorship:	United States Naginata Federation
2. Hosted by:	Greater New York Naginata Federation
3. Date:	Seminar: Aug 13 (Thu) & Aug 14 (Fri); Exam: Aug 16 (Sun.)
4. Place:	Mount Holyoke College South Hadley, MA
5. Purpose:	To train participants in the proper execution of Naginata techniques and to train referees in recognizing proper technique and timing while refereeing matches. Practical training in refereeing tournament matches.
6. Requirements:	General Seminar (Aug 13-14): All levels. Beginners welcome. Referee Seminar (Aug 14): <i>Sandan</i> and up.
7. Contents:	The seminar will consist of training in Naginata basics, <i>engi</i> , <i>zen nihon kata</i> and <i>shiai</i> . For the referee seminar, correct referee comportment, flag usage and so on will also be covered. A portion of the training will consist of practice matches performed by both seminar participants and volunteer <i>senshu</i> with seminar participants acting as referees.
8. Examinations:	<i>Kyu</i> and <i>Dan</i> testing up to <i>sandan</i> will be held on Sunday 9:00 am, 16 August.
9. Seminar Fee:	Two days: \$150.00; one day: \$100.00. Full-time student fees are 50% of the regular fee.
10. Accommodations:	12-16 Aug 2009. MHC Dormitory. Single or double room. Single rate: \$61.25/day. Double rate: \$53.25/day. Rate includes meals and taxes. Free wireless internet access available. Vegetarian meals available. Participants with food allergies or any additional dietary special needs, please let the USNF Office know at least 10 days prior to the event so that we may inform MHC. Early staff arrival 11 August. No meals; room rate \$35.00.
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