

MALEE'S SCHOOL OF TAI CHI & KUNG FU

Winter 2010 Newsletter

Malee's School's 2010 Chinese New Year Celebration Year of the Tiger Saturday, March 13 Performances from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm Dinner at 1pm

Malee's School will be holding its sixteenth annual Chinese New Year Celebration at South United Methodist Church, located at 1226 Main Street, Manchester (just down the street from the school).

The event will begin with performances of tai chi and kung fu by Malee's School's students. Special guest Master Dominique Saatenang, originally from Cameroon and now living in France, will also perform tiger claw and hard qigong. Dominique is the first black member of the Shaolin Temple. You can check out his website at <u>www.saatenang.com</u>. Asian Performing Arts will also perform Chinese classical dance.

Following the performances, we will have a raffle drawing, then leave for lunch at Royal Buffet & Grill (410 West Middle Turnpike, Manchester). We will again have movies and karaoke (and this time we know how to use the DVD player there, so things will go more smoothly).

Please see the sign-up sheets if you would like to perform and/or eat lunch with us.

Ticket prices:

 Adults: \$14
 Seniors (65 & over): \$12

 Children 6-11: \$9
 Children 3-5: \$6.50

Please contact us to purchase tickets.

PLEASE NOTE: All prices are the regular prices for the restaurant, one beverage (free refills for soda and coffee) plus tip and room reservation fee. *You won't be charged anything at the restaurant* unless you order refills for juice or buy alcoholic beverages.

(The real Chinese New Year this year is February 14.)

Dr. Henry Lee Invites Malee's School to Perform at the University of New Haven Wednesday, February 17

World-famous forensic scientist and friend of Master Malee Khow, Dr. Henry Lee (<u>www.drhenrylee.com</u>) has invited Malee's School to perform at the University of New Haven in celebration of the Chinese New Year. This is the third time Dr. Lee has invited us to perform for his students. In addition to Master Malee Khow and instructor Anthony Roberts, several of our advanced kung fu students will be going to perform.

Malee's School's performances will begin around 4 pm on Wednesday (February 17). Because of the travel time between Manchester and New Haven, we will have to cancel classes on that date. If you normally attend class on

Wednesdays, you can make up your class at any other scheduled class during the week.

Instructor Anthony Roberts to Train with Jiangsu Wushu Team, May-June

Kung fu and tai chi instructor Anthony Roberts will go to Nanjing, China, at the end of May to train with the Jiang professional wushu team. He will stay there for a month, missing about three weeks of classes and returning the last week of June.

Master Malee Leads Best Ever U.S. Team at World Championships

(This report can also be found on our school blog at <u>maleeschool.wordpress.com/2009/11/16/master-khow-khow-leads-u-s-</u> team-at-world-championships/.)

At the 10th World Wushu Championships that took place in October, 2009, the U.S. Team had its best results ever, winning two medals and finishing in the top 8 in another eight events. Master Malee was the U.S. Team Manager, a position she has held in the USAWKF since 2007.

The championships took place in Toronto, Canada, from October 24 to 29, 2009. This is a biennial event under the International Wushu Federation, the worldwide governing body of wushu. This year, over 700 competitors from 74 countries came to Toronto to vie for a limited number of medals.

Master Khow led the U.S. Team, consisting of fourteen athletes. Nine of these competed in taolu (choreographed routines) and five in sanshou (full contact sparring).

We are proud to report that the U.S. had its best results ever at a world championship, winning its first gold medal in taolu. Alfred Hsing won the gold in men's straight sword and Colvin Wang won the silver in men's spear. Seven other U.S. athletes finished in the top eight in one or more events for a total of ten top 8 finishes.

Please go to the Kung Fu Tai Chi Magazine website for a more complete report (<u>http://www.kungfumagazine.com/ezine/article_859</u>), written by Malee's School instructor Anthony Roberts. A print version of this article will be published in February, 2010.

For some photos Master Khow took at the tournament please go to <u>http://www.flickr.com/photos/34124147@N07/</u> <u>sets/72157622816832484/</u>.

Tai Chi and Wushu-Kungfu Organizations

<u>www.usawkf.com</u>. Official website of the USA Wushu-Kungfu Federation, national representative organization of the International Wushu Federation. Shifu Malee is the Administrative Vice-President of Internal Events and Chairperson of the Competition Management Committee.

<u>www.iwuf.org</u>. Official website of the International Wushu Federation (IWuF). IWuF is a member of the International Olympic Committee. More information is also available at <u>www.wushu.com.cn</u>.

maleeschool.wordpress.com. Malee's School official news site.

Note: The Winter Session runs from November 30, 2009 to February 20, 2010. The intersession break is from February 21-28. The Spring 2010 session will begin on Monday, March 1. **Classes are ongoing. New students can start anytime!**

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