

World Peace Martial Arts - Hall of Fame (2014)

Bill Gray – American Society of Karate

Mr. Bill Gray established the American Society of Karate in Houston, Texas in 1970 with the goal of "Not to be the largest, but to be the best." The A.S.K. is a top organization under the Bill "Superfoot" Wallace System and currently has over 3,000 students and over 200 black belts in the state of Texas. Currently, the A.S.K. has locations in San Antonio-New Braunfels, Lufkin, Tyler-Longview, Houston and surrounding areas. A.S.K. has been designed to teach American Karate in a positive and ever changing system to students ranging in age from 5-80 years, focusing on the art, sport and self defense aspects of martial arts. The objectives of the A.S.K. system are to run fair and unbiased tournaments, to run organized senior and survival camps, to expand their students' knowledge with various seminars, and to enable the students to positively accept and meet whatever challenges they may encounter during their training with a "Whatever it Takes" kind of attitude. The A.S.K. has been awarded the Top Platinum Award from Century Martial Arts for the past three years.



Master Ernie Wu has been teaching Chinese Martial Arts for more than 36 years. He is one of disciples of Grandmaster Hsiao Tang Wei of 8 Step Praying Mantis, and student of Grandmaster Mao Ching Li, one of the great Grandmaster of Northern Long Fist in Taiwan. In Houston, he has been teaching Northern Long Fist, 8 Step Praying Mantis since 1986 and has organized Chinese Martial Arts Exhibitions for more than 20 years. Dedicated to passing down traditional Chinese Martial Arts, Master Wu has won numerous titles and awards in Taiwan before moving to the US in 1979. He has taught students in Taiwan, Florida, and later in Houston where he continues to teach Chinese Martial Arts today at Chinese Culture Center and also teaches at Rice University, he has been invited to schools and corporations all over greater Houston area to introduce Chinese Martial Arts, Master Wu has been judging in many Chinese Martial Arts tournaments. 8 Step Praying Mantis is the only Northern Praying Mantis spread out from Taiwan, it combines Northern Praying Mantis, Hsing Yi, Bagua and Tong Bei, Grand master Wei brought it from China and taught in Taiwan till when he passed away in 1984. Master Wu is one of his outstanding students. In January 2014 Master Wu co-host Houston competition of International Chinese Martial Arts Championship, this is ICMAC's Southern Regional competition and kickoff of 2014 season.



Martial Arts Bio of Danny Romine.

I began training in the martial arts at the age of 16, studying and practicing from books by Grandmasters Masutatsu Oyama and Gichin Funakoshi. I bought a duffle bag, filled it with clothes and sand and began practicing punching and kicking in my back yard. I learned basic and advanced Japanese kata forms and was mentored by a friend that taught Shotokan karate at the time. I trained until the age of 18 in Shotokan karate.

I met Grandmaster Cheng in 1974 when I was in his store looking for more books to study. Grandmaster Cheng asked me who if I trained and with who. I told him I only studied from books and he told me I really needed a teacher to help perfect my techniques. He said that I could come by and watch one of his classes that night, which I did and I began training under him the next night.

Received my first degree black belt in Northern Shaolin and Northern Praying Mantis Kung Fu from Grandmaster Victor Cheng in 1977.

Taught Kung Fu as a physical education class at Lincoln Memorial University in 1976.

Taught at the University of Houston Kung Fu club in 1977.

Practiced Tai Chi and Kung Fu under Master Yun Yang Wang in 1995.

Practiced the 24 and 48 posture Yang style forms under Master Shi Xing Hao in 2010.

Practiced the Yang style long form under Grandmaster Victor Cheng.



Biography of Martial Arts History of Marilyn Kidd

Studied Tai Chi for two years with Terry Robertson before enrolling in Wang's Martial Arts to be taught by Master Yun Yang Wang for the past four years.

Progressed through testing for belts, including black belt learning the three parts of the long form, simplified forms, Sabre forms 1 and 2, Mirror Image of Form 1 and Double Edged Sword.

Attended Workshops on Chinese Culture at Wang's Martial Arts and attended workshop given by Grand Master Eric Lee.

Attended Tai Chi classes taught by Shifu David Neighbors and Shifu Rusty Haws.

Assisted in teaching newcomers to the school when requested.

Participated in Inner School Tournaments at Wang's Martial Arts, open hand and weapons divisions.

Participated in demonstrations, group and individual, at Tai Chi Day events, 2012 and 2013 in The Woodlands.

Gave demonstrations at Chung Tai Monastery, Shepherd, Texas. Has read extensively about the history and health benefits of Tai Chi and Qigong, and has shared this knowledge with many friends and acquaintances.

Studied qigong with Ken Cohen, author of "The Way of Qigong" in Estes Park, Co, 2012, and the Bear Creek Lodge in Tennessee in 2013. This included Coursework in the I Ching.

Studied Qigong Healing with Master Chunyi Lin at Spring Forest Qigong Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and used these methods in my Healing Touch Practice for 10 years.



Chuck Chretien; Martial Arts Credentials and Experience:

Started martial arts training 1978 with Mr. Bill Gray (ASK). Achieved Brown Belt

Wang's Martial Arts:

- * 1 Tuan (1st Black) 1984 Northern Shaolin / Northern Praying Mantis Kung Fu at WMA
- * 4th degree (Szu Tuan) Black Sash and title of Sifu (1994).

Professional Combined Martial Arts (P.C.M.A.) Certified Rank & Ceremonial Promotions/Achievements:

- * Chi Tuan (7th degree) in the combined art of Chuan Fa/Kajuku-ryu (2008) through Prof. Larry G. Brooks, Hanshi-Sho and Jack Allbritten, Shihan, Shuseki. President of P.C.M.A..
- * 6th Dan (Rokudan) Shin-Nigare Karate (2006
- * 3rd Dan (Sandan) in Shin-Shin Ju Jitsu (7/08).
- * Ceremonial position of Renshi Dai 2003.
- * Ceremonial position of Professor (Kyoshi Sho) 2007.
- * PCMA Instructor of the Year (2007)
- * Level 5 Kobudo (Weapons Certification) 2003
- * Certified National Instructor (PCMA 2003), Certified National Examiner (PCMA 2003)
- * PCMA Dojo of the Year Award: 2004 & 2008



Daniel Thibodeaux had his first martial arts training experience in the 7th grade when he started training in Tae Kwan Do. He was hooked and wanted to learn more. In the 10th grade, he trained in Blue Dragon Kung Fu and in college he took a summer course in Shotokan Karate. In 2001, Daniel found Tai Chi Chaun and studied under a direct student of Chan Man Ching. Then in early 2005, he got to train in Houston with a Shaolin monk. In December of 2005, Daniel started training at Wang's Martial Arts in the Kung Fu program and has since participated in several inner-school tournaments, open tournaments, demonstrations and special classes. In April of 2009, he achieved his black belt and has been assisting in instructing students at Wang's Martial Arts. Daniel enjoys watching the students make positive changes that affect their behaviors and attitudes. Most of all, he gets to share his passion for the martial arts with others!



David Neighbors started martial arts training in 1981 and his involvement would continue for over 30 years. David received the rank of 3rd Black Belt in April 2004. Styles studied include: Tae kwon do, Kickboxing, Okinawa karate, Tai chi, Kung fu, Thai boxing and several weapons.

Sifu Neighbors is the organizer of Tai Chi Day – The Woodlands. For the last 5 years, this gathering has been an official World Tai Chi Qigong Day event. Past gathering has been attended by visitors from central Texas, Washington state and China.

For over 20 years, Sifu Neighbors has taught all aspects of tai chi: history, philosophy, weapons and applications. Though his program Tai Chi Social Hour and now Tai Chi Society of Texas, he offers quality training to groups that normally cannot afford the cost. Approximately 600 students have completed training in these programs.

Sifu Neighbors has received over 500 hours of instruction in tai chi and taught over 2200 hours of tai chi classes since 2004. He has taught at several locations throughout North Harris and Montgomery counties since 1993.

He is currently a member of American Tai Chi Qigong Association, Tai Chi for Health Community and is a Certified Tai Chi for Diabetes Instructor.

Websites: www.thewoodlandstaichi.com, www.taichidaythewoodlands.org



Ed Green

began his martial arts career training in So Moo Kwon Tae Kwon Doe 1976 and awarded 1st Degree Black Belt in 1979 in Dallas TX

Sifu began training in Kung Fu at Wang's Martial Arts in 1984 and awarded 1st Degree Black Sash in 1987 and in 2003 awarded 5th Degree Black Sash.

In 1989 Sifu, a Licensed Clinical Social Worker, in collaboration with Master Wang, created, developed and implemented the Martial Arts Therapeutic Training Program, known as the MATT Program. The MATT Program began in area psychiatric hospitals and when found to be effective with youngsters and teens with mild to moderate behavior problems spread to schools and community centers and became very popular through the early and late 90's.

2005 opened Kingwood Kung Fu

2006 membership in PCMA

" PCMA Instructor at 2007, New Mexico and 2008, Conroe TX Summer Clinics

" PCMA ranked Sifu Green 7th Degree Black Belt

2009 opened Circle The Dragon Chinese Martial Arts in Porter TX.

2011 retired

2013 part time Kung Fu and Tai Chi Instructor at Wang's Martial Arts



Born and raised in Houston Texas, Esmeralda Sanchez Smith daughter of Fernando Sanchez and Maria Sanchez was introduced at the age of 4 to the cruel bullying world. Her father decided to enroll her at Wangs Martial Arts after an incident that occurred at a private school where she attended pre-k. A few of boys that were her classmates, started picking in her I'm gym class. The boys surround her, which she tried to notify the coach but payed no attention to her. So she decided to take matters into her own hands. After surrounding her, she kicked one boy in the groin and went through another classmates legs, escaping the circle. That same week her father enrolled her at Wangs Martial Arts that was located on FM 1960.

First day she started Wangs Martial Arts, she took it very serious for being a 4 years old. Which is why Master Wang decided to let her stay, even though you were required to be 5 years old to start class.

On April 30, 1989 she received her black belt at the age of 12 years old, with a lot of practice and hard work. Among some of her accomplishments:

- * practiced in full contact fighting with Mr. Reggie Padela
- * won many championship awards
- * began instructing at the age of 12 years old
- * March 15, 1993 received a letter from the Greater Inwood partnership awarding her the winner of talent contest
- * February 13, 1999 received a certificate of appreciation presented by Wangs Martial Arts
- * August 17, 1996 won championship at Victor Cheng Open classic Championship with a gift certificate
- * September 22, 1996 won Miss Fiestas Patrias Pagent talent compation
- * September 17, 2000 won Miss Fiestas Patrias Pagent talent compation
- * Won the Championship Award for the Chris Minshew's Houston Karate Championship
- * May 31, 1997 won First Place Awards for Weapons and Kata at Wangs Martial arts

Esmeralda Sanchez Smith has a wide range of experience, technical experience and discipline. She is very passionate about life and the martial Arts.

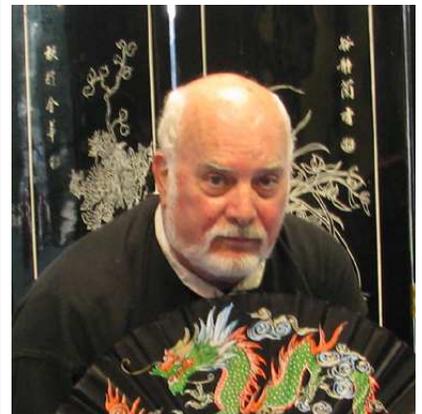


Biography for Richard L. Dunsmore

I was born just after World War II ended, lived in Portland, Texas until I was nine years old and then my family moved to El Paso, where I graduated from Burges High School and attended UT at El Paso. I was active in scouting, CAP, ROTC and my church. I am a charter member of St Paul's United Methodist Church in El Paso. I have six children, 25 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. My family has been my main focus. My employment history was mainly 20 years as a private investigator for Equifax Services, 27 years with the U S Army and National Guard, from which I retired as a 1SG of Combat Engineers and the United States Postal Service, where I was a mechanic on mail processing equipment and retired after 18 years on 1-31-2013. I live with my wife, Sandra, who is a retired RN in Spring, Texas. We spend most of our leisure hours on Tai Chi, our family and camping or traveling.

I have always admired the people I saw doing Tai Chi on television. I wanted to know what they knew and to do what they did so gracefully. My brother was living out of state and dropping in on senior citizen Tai Chi classes where he lived. About the same time, I was in Oklahoma for a USPS school where they had a n introduction to Tai Chi class in the gym which I took several times. My wife was working at the hospital in Humble, where they offered a class in their wellness center. I took this class with my wife for several years under David Neighbors. He taught me the Yang style long form and the modified form. When I switched hours at work, I took classes at the hospital from Terry, who taught me the Tai Chi fan form and the saber. Later, Master Wang taught our class and I learned more about the long form and the modified form and learned the saber again. I also took training in the Bo form at Wang's Martial Arts from Master Wang. I assist David Neighbors at Woodlands Recreation Center and have taught the Tai Chi fan there and at the Woodlands Friendship Center. Under Master Wang's tutelage, I worked my way through the belt system to the first degree black belt. I continue to practice and learn.

There is always something new to learn, something old to perfect.



Shawna Pietrangelo began her study of martial arts at the age of twelve with Northern Shaolin, Northern Praying Mantis at Wang's Martial Arts (WMA) in Humble, Texas under Master Yun Yang Wang and Grandmaster Victor Cheng. Throughout high school she was very active in tournaments and demonstrations, and by the age of fifteen became an assistant instructor for children's kung fu classes. Upon earning her black belt, she became a full instructor at WMA and spent much of her time teaching classes of all ages. She continued to train and share her love of the martial arts and its philosophy through specialized and advanced classes at WMA. She achieved a second degree black in Northern Shaolin, Northern Praying Mantis in 2007.

While a student at the University of St. Thomas in Houston, Texas, she had expanded her study of the martial arts to include German longsword under the instruction of Dakao Do and later, Scott Brown, one of German longsword's foremost practitioners. Today she studies Wing Chun under Cesar Olavarria, a sifu in Ip Man Wing Chun Kung Fu under Samuel Kwok, second generation grandmaster of the Ip Man lineage.

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Master Jia founded HeBei Chinese Martial Arts Institute in 2002. Both private and group instruction are offered in Taiji , Xingyi , Bagua, Qigong, Shaolin, Sanshou, and Weapons: straight sword, broad sword, staff, and spear. Master Jia comes from HeBei province of China, a well-known hometown of traditional and modern Chinese martial arts. He started training at the age of seven. Since then he has studied Wushu under many renowned Grandmasters. He graduated from HeBei University with a Bachelor degree majoring in Wushu in 1990.

He began the study of martial arts at the young age of seven in China's HeBei Province. Since then he discovered what would soon become his lifelong passion of preserving the revered cultural legacy of the Chinese martial arts.

In 1986, on account of his extraordinary competitive performance, he received admission to HeBei Normal University. Master Jia chose to major in Wushu. With help from knowledgeable instructors, he received systematical training in Wushu and studied the general science of physical education as well. In 1990, Master Jia received his bachelor's degree in education and was honored with the titles, National Second Level Judge in Wushu by the Chinese National Physical and Sports Committee. Eager to hone and perfect his skills. In Novber 1998, he arrived in the United States and began to instruct those interested in Chinese martial arts. He participated the International Wushu-Kungfu Championships since 2000, and was the Grand Champion from 2001-2003. He will dedicate his life to reveal to others the ancient and secret cultural legacy that promises improved health and well-being to people of all nations. New school in Kingwood, TX . www.hebeiwushu.com



A Brief biography of Willie E. Glass, Jr., 8th Dan Chi Budo Kwon.

I started my Martial Arts venture in the early 1960's with Judo classes under the great instructor, Mr. Karl Geis, in Houston Texas. Continuing my Judo training in the U.S. Military, attaining the rank of Brown Belt.

Served in the U.S.Navy special forces, assigned to the U.S.Marines Fleet Force Recon. Trained in several styles of Martial Arts, Including Karate, Ju Jitsu, and Boxing.

After the Military I met and trained with Master Gary D Jones, with Korean Tang Soo Do. Stayed with Master Jones till attaining the rank of 5th degree Black Belt.

Was at the founding of the World Tang Soo Do Federation, under Grand Master Jae Chul Shin in 1978. After Master Shin stepped away from Tang Soo Do, Moo Duk Kwon and Grand Master Hwang Kee. J.C. Shin also happened to be the Instructor for Mr. Chuck Norris, while he was stationed in South Korea with the U.S. Air Force. In 1983 I formed a system of combat Martial Arts known by the name of "Chi Budo Kwon". Which is a combination of Karate, Ju Jitsu, Hand methods and kicks from the various styles I've trained under. Korean, Japanese and Chinese styles.

But, after two heart attacks, and a transplant operation, I had to step down from training hard and actively teaching.



Russell Haws

I was first introduced to martial arts when I was about 10 years old by my older cousin. I found out he knew Judo and Karate so I pushed him to teach me everything he knew. I discovered nunchucks when I saw a friend doing them and I was hooked. I home made several pairs and always carried a pair with me everywhere I went practicing all of the time. In high school I took wrestling and never lost a match. I took karate lessons from Bill Gary for a while; I loved it but lost the transportation to continue. When I got my first apartment I bought several pairs of chucks and a leather martial arts speed ball from Grand Master Cheng which I mounted in the center of my living room. I loved punching and kicking that ball. I would try to learn all that I could from every person I met that knew martial arts. By learning from others I was able to train myself all throughout my life. In 1983 I started Kung Fu with Master Wang. I soon switched to Tai Chi and loved it and continue learning and practicing to this day.



George Ling Hu

Many Heartfelt thanks go out to my instructor, Master George Ling Hu. Master Hu's understanding and knowledge of Chinese Martial Arts are exceeded only by the generosity of his teaching. George Ling Hu was born in 1942 in Chung King, China. He grew up in Taiwan studying Kuo Shu with Master Han Ching Tan. He also studied Tai Chi from Master Wang Yen-nien and was appointed to the Tai Chi Chuan association and served on the teaching and research committees. He has also studied Character system with Master Shoung Cheng Shun, Chi Kung with Master Kun Shen-teh from Shanghai, Tai Chi Chuan with Master Shih Ming in the Purple Bamboo Park in Beijing, Shan Shie style of Hsin-I with Master Wu Chao-shung and Sun style Pa Kua and Hsin-I with General Steward Ho. In addition, he is a member of the Taiwan Yoga Association. He has taught in the United States, mostly in the Midwest and the South, since 1969. Master Hu currently lives and teaches Tai Chi, Pa Kua, Hsin-I, Chi Kung and acupressure in Houston, Texas. He is also a member of the Texas Acupuncture Association.



Abel Martinez

Ranked 3rd Black Sash, Northern Shaolin / Northern Praying Mantis Kung Fu Sifu Tye Botting, 21 Years

Other Rank / Organization

4th Degree Black Belt, Progressive Jujitsu - Bushio Davis Jitsu, Hanshi Rick Davis (8th)

2nd Degree Black Belt, Progressive Jujitsu - Ji Hatsu Teki Kempo Jitsu, Shihan Rick Davis (4th)

Organization - Aibu Jitsu Ryu International

2nd Degree Black Belt, Remy Presas' Style Modern Arnis

1st Degree Black Belt, Luzviminda Arnis Kali Brotherhood (GM Fred Lazo and Master Ricky Lazo, Florida)

In addition to the above, I regularly train and travel with other Martial Arts Friends in:

Okinawan Kobudo (Hanshi Dan Kennedy, Kansas and Hanshi Raymond Montoya, Texas)

Okinawan Kempo, Shorin Kempo Karate, Chinese Kempo (Hanshi Raymond Montoya, Texas)

Jijitsu, Aikijitsu, Aikido (Hanshi Ken Baker, Kansas)

Danzan Ryu Jujitsu (Sensei Peter Bell, Texas)

Goju Ryu (Kyoshi Dean Chapman, Texas)

I enjoy all Martial Arts and seeing new aspects in something I already know. No matter who you meet, they know something you do not. No matter how simple a technique can be, there is much under the surface.



Robert Kerr

1974 - Started studying Chayon-Ryu under Master Conrad Pickens

1974-1985 1st Dan Black Belt under Master Pickens

1985 to date 2nd Dan Black belt under Master Stephens

November 14, 2008 Presented with "Decoration of Longevity" as a "twenty-five year plus" life member as a Chayon-Ryu Ambassador, by Grand Master Kim Soo

2011 to Date Began studying Tai Chi, under Master Yun Yang Wang

While Living and working in Miami, FL, I became interested in either studying the Martial Arts or taking scuba diving lessons. But before I made the decision, a job change required our family to have to move back to Baytown, TX. This was early 1974. I talked one of my employees to sign up for a Tae Kwon Do class. Lucky for me, this was Grand Master Kim, Pyun Soo's Cha Yon Ryu system. Cha Yon Ryu embodies five principal martial arts: chu'an-fa. Shudokan Karate, hapkido, judo and contemporary pre-sport tae kwon do. I was also very lucky to have Master Conrad Pickens as my first instructor, who competed in competition with Bill Wallace and others. During my years with Master Pickens, I received my 1st Dan Black Belt and learned how to teach. During 1985, we moved to Kingwood, TX and once again I was very lucky to start studying and teaching for Master John Stephens. Master Stephens had been studying Chayon-Ryu for many years under Grand Master Kim Soo. I received my 2nd Dan Black under Master Stephens's instruction. We also took classes at the Downtown Houston and Spring Branch schools, under the instruction of Grand Master Kim Soo. I stopped training due to problems with my hip. I had a hip replacement in 2011. At this time I decided to start studying Tai Chi. Being familiar with Master Wang's school, I started training in 2012. I hope to get my black belt in the near future and build relationships with my fellow students and always let them know the importance of martial arts in their lives



John S. Wang

John S. Wang was born in Shenyang, China on November 18, 1947. John was raised in Taiwan and began his first martial arts training at the age of 7. He studied long fist from Li, Mao-Ching, and Shuai Chiao (Chinese wrestling) from Chang, Tung-Sheng, the Chinese wrestling king.

John came to US in 1970. He received both his bachelor and master degrees in Computer Science from The University of Texas at Austin by 1976 and was employed by IBM for 28 years.

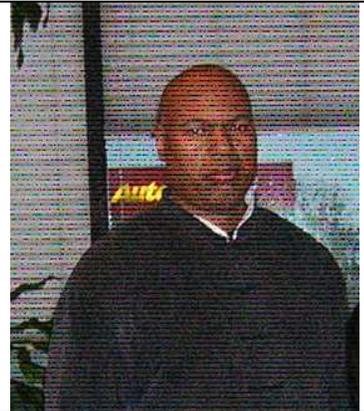
John has over 50 years of martial arts experience and has won competitions in the United States including 3 times United States heavy weight championships in Shuai-Chiao (1982, 1983, and 1984). John has taken the first US Shuai Chiao teams to compete in Taiwan (1984), China (1985), and Italy (2004). He also took his Sanda team to compete in Taiwan (2006). He has been teaching in Austin since 1972 and serves on the board of directors for the American Combat Shuai Chiao Association

John retired from IBM by 2003. He has filed over 30 US patents. The most famous one is the "Right Mouse Button Click" which people around the world uses today. In addition, he was honored with one of IBM'S most prestigious awards as a "Master Inventor".



Marvin Henderson started out playing sports when he was in the 4th grade, his family knew he was someone special when he was born. He was always active as a baby Marvin use to jump up and down so high in his crib his family thought he would hurt himself. Thank God he never did get hurt. As a child he use to run so fast he would beat out the neighborhood children twice his size, and he ran track in the summer time so he can keep that speed he has. Marvin is a athletic and very competitive at a young age, he also have love for basketball and he can really play.

In a game Marvin get about 56 point are more in a game, and he block shot very good. Marvin got in many slam dunk and won every one, he never lost a slam dunk. Still to day he can still dunk a basketball. Marvin start doing Kung Fu when he were in the 3rd grade like everybody else Bruce Lee was one of his Hero so Marvin start taking Jeet Kune Do, then Marvin took some Wing Chung. Later Marvin move to Humble he seen a school call Wang's Martial Arts so he start going their he also start taking Tai Chi as well. Marvin practice a lot, in the morning before he go to work, and when he get off from work he go to Wang's martial arts and teach, but when he go home he practice some more. Marvin love speed so he practice so hard to keep that speed with his hands he is outstanding and he is one of a kind Marvin Henderson is a true Legend.



Rafael Gonzales started his martial arts career during his junior year in high school under Mr. Stakley, a teacher who had taught Okinawan karate. He continued under him until he started college at the University of Houston where he studied Korean Chayon Ryu under Grandmaster Yun Yang Wang and Grand Master Victor Cheng. This training is his foundation and has continued steadily to the present. During this time he has also augmented his education with several martial arts. He studied Capoeira for two years with Grupo Capoeira Brazil with Monitor Gringo, then two additional years with Grupo Capuragina under Mestre Loka. He spent two years tuding Thai Boxing and Brazilian Ju Jitsu under Saul Soliz at the Patumwadee Thai Boxing Gym. Rafael has trained in Jook Lum Southern Mantis for three years under Grand Master Henry Poo Yee. He has also practiced Historical European Martial Arts (HEMA) for over eight years with Tattershall Fencing, The Society of Creative Anachronism, and Sword to Sword. He was also instructed in Olympic Fencing for two years by Andrey Geva, the Israelei Epee National Champion. He continues to train in Northern Mantis and to physically research rare martial arts, watch instructional materials, and read every manual and or text available to him.



Sifu Botting began his lifelong study of martial arts in Malaysia in 1981 under Sifu David Jackson Yap in Southern Shaolin Kung Fu. Dr. Botting returned to the US in 1982 and began Northern Shaolin / Northern Praying Mantis Kung Fu under Master Yun-Yang Wang, earning black sash in 1989. He founded two university martial arts clubs and Tye's Kung Fu, with hundreds of students, and in 2003 was awarded 5th degree black sash. He is also an assistant instructor in Yang Style Tai Chi under Master Wang since 1992 and teaches Modern Arnis, with a 2nd degree black belt directly from Professor Remy Presas in 1997. He has produced many multi-degree black belt students, with two achieving master levels of their own. Dr. Botting continues to teach kung fu and modern arnis in Northern Virginia and conducts and participates in martial arts seminars around the country. He continues to be an active student of the martial arts, gaining insight from students and instructors of all styles.

Outside of the martial arts, Dr. Botting enjoys life with his wife (Rita) and three children (Kira, Conal, Sonja). Dr. Botting holds a PhD in nuclear chemistry and currently works at a think-tank in Washington, DC.

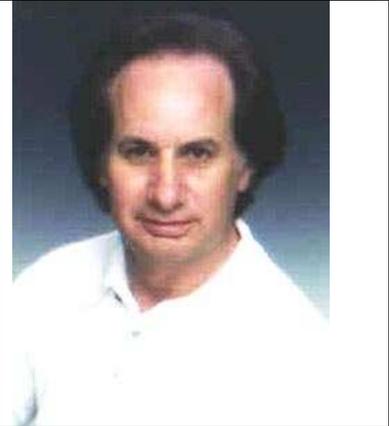


Gary Jones received his first instruction to martial arts in 1955 in the form of Jujitsu from his father at the the age of 13. When he joined the military, he became a student of Japanese Shotokan Karate, receiving his black belt in 1966 under Grandmaster Austin Box. During the last part of 1966, Mr. Jones became a student in Okazaki Kodenkan Jujitsu under Prof. William R. Beach.

As the years passed, Mr. Jones trained in Tae Kwon Do, Tang Soo Do, Okinawan Shorin-Ryu, Vietnamese Boxing and Chinese Boxing.

With 40 years exposure to various martial art disciplines, Mr. Jones has founded his own organization called Chi Soo Kwon Jujitsu. This system is heavily influenced by Okazaki methods and is considered a branch organization to his instructors --- "Jujitsu Institute of America (JIA)." Mr. Jones maintains contact with his teacher's teacher and older brother, Professor Bill Beach of Jacksonville, FL. (Professor Bill Beach began his training in 1949 under Prof. Ray Law and was promoted to 5th degree black belt and Professor in 1966.)

Today, Mr. Jones spends his time teaching, developing seminars (soon to be on the market), and assisting in the publication of a book. Mr. Jones also is a Registered Massage Therapist and has a Website.



Raymond Lee Montoya

U.S. Army 06/'76-06/'79 E-4/Specialist, 3yrs service, MOS: 95B/Military Policeman

Bryan Police Department 26 ½ yrs Police Officer/Retired (Investigator, Detective, Patrolman, Recruiter, & Supervisor) Defense Tactics Instructor (PPCT handcuffing, expandable baton, side-handle baton, Pressure points, Knife defense, & ground escape and Firearms Instructor,

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(979) 823-0278 kyoshimontoya@gmail.com



David Barnes has been in Kung Fu for a majority of his life having started at the age of 6 in 1989. He has trained in Kung Fu for 24 years and first received his junior blackbelt in 1993. His mother and father always encouraged him in his training which helped contribute greatly to his progress. It is also with the guidance of his master and teachers that he continued to improve in many areas of his life.



Manuel Serrano began his martial arts training at the age of 13. In 1986 he received his black black under the instructions of master Yun Yang Wang in Houston Texas. In 1989 he opened his martial arts studio in Houston. He is a state and national competitor and have won many titles. He is Also the producer of the best of the best state tournament in San Antonio, Texas. He resides in San Antonio, Texas where he teaches martial arts.in 1993 he had the opportunity to demonstrate his skills in a chuck Norris production called sidekick. His is the father of three beautiful girls, Elizabeth, Priscilla, and Liz Mari Serrano who have also trained in martial arts.



Allen DeWoody and his wife, Cathy, have been residents of the Humble area for 30 years. They have raised their family here and call it home. Allen first met Master Wang in the mid '80's but was not able to study martial arts until later in life. Once he started he was hooked. He found the instructors to be helpful. They enjoyed sharing their knowledge of kung fu. As he progressed he found, he too, had a responsibility to pass on what he had learned to new students. He found satisfaction in being an instructor. His plans for the future are to continue learning. There is so much to learn, and so much to teach.

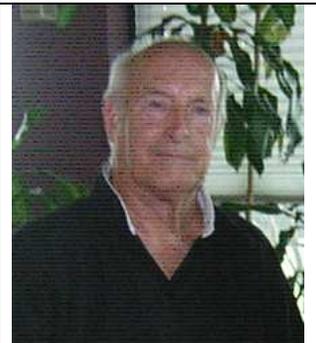


James Moricca

I started to train with Sifu Randy Stone and Grandmaster V. Chang when I was 12 years old along with my brother and Sister and my Dad. I was there practicing Kung Fu for about 3 yrs. About 25 years later; Jan. 2006, I started backup in Kung Fu with my son-Joshua and daughter-Jaci. My son achieved his junior black belt and my daughter achieved her brown-strip belt. I continue to train when I can at the second degree black belt level. I opened "Crown Martial Arts" three years ago and some of my students are still training. I owe my father a huge Thanks for introducing Kung Fu and the love of martial arts to me. Thank You Dad!



Rick Strickland started in martial arts in the first part of 1998 after having had heart surgery. He received his blackbelt in Kung Fu in April of 2006 and is currently on a path in becoming a blackbelt in Tai Chi. Mr. Strickland continues to support the school in testing, tournaments, assisting in instructing classes and promotes the benefits of Kung Fu training. He would like to thank his past, present and any future teachers for their guidance.



Steve Alonso

I was born in San Luis Potosi, Mexico on September 7, 1942. My life had been full of many wonderful and very special achievements. I want to share just a few with you here. Martial Arts is one of the big ones with Master Wang. I spent 5 years in Kung Fu, from 1987-1991 and 5 years in Tia Chi from 2009-2014. From the age of 12 to 15 I was a singer with orchestras and mariachis bands in Mexico. At 16 years old I learned construction and how to use dynamite. I spent 5 years in private college. Then 2 years at the University of Houston taking English and French. I spent 3 years studying at the General Motors Institute in Automotive Science and Technology. Afterwards I worked 30 years for General Motors Dealerships in Conroe, Humble, and Houston. I was pleased to be able to work in many different positions as a service manager, shop foreman, service advisor, and a technician. While I was working as assistant manager in Conroe at San Jacinto Oldsmobile and Cadillac in the 70s I had the opportunity to learn to fly single engine airplanes. I was very successful and consider all my accomplishments big blessings and much more.



Grandmaster Cheng Jin Cai is recognized as an authority in Tai Chi around the world. He has worked tirelessly and successfully to promote Chen-style Tai Chi and thus has gradually become the "focus" of the media. He has been covered over one thousand times in books, papers, magazines, health articles, and a series of teaching DVDs. Grand Master Cheng Jin Cai has been honored by Houston Mayors and Congressmen for his work to increase awareness of Chinese martial arts and culture.

Grandmaster Cheng Jin Cai plans to further nurture Chen-style Tai Chi teachers and descendants. He hopes that some day Chen-style Tai Chi will touch the lives of all people helping them reach newer and higher levels.



Susan Fischman

My interest in the martial arts as an ancient art form began many years before I had the opportunity to begin any formal instruction. As a musician, the connection between martial arts and music was inescapable. Six years ago, I began taking classes in Tai Chi, both empty hand and weapons from Sifu Ed Green. For the last two and one half years, I have been a student of Master Wang and Sifu Rusty Hawes, having advanced to Black Belt under their guidance. Knowing very little about the interconnection of Tai Chi and Kung Fu, it was fascinating to imagine that I could further my studies of martial arts by taking classes in Kung Fu. In 2011, I took my first class as a white belt with trepidation, and a new world opened up. Because of the patience of Master Wang, Marvin Henderson and so many of the black belt instructors, I have learned more than I could imagine and have advanced to red/stripe. The journey to this point has been one of the most rewarding experiences that I could have ever thought.



Dr. John Paulson started his martial arts career in the Seattle area studying Tae Kwon Do. While in the area he also included Hung Gar Kung Fu in his studies. He later moved to Texas to complete a Ph.D. in physics. At Texas A&M he met Sifu Tye Botting and studied Northern Shaolin/Northern Praying Mantis Kung Fu under him and Master Yung Yang Wang. While in Texas he also started his study of Modern Arnis with Guro's Alexander, Botting, Montoya, and Grandmaster Remy Presas.



Jack Santos



Paul Chu

