

MINNESOTA KYUDO RENMEI

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To all affiliates,

I am pleased to invite you all to the 2016 International Kyudo Federation American Seminar. This seminar is sponsored by the International Kyudo Federation, co-sponsored by the All Nippon Kyudo Federation, and offered under the supervision of the American Kyudo Renmei and the Minnesota Kyudo Renmei.

Seminar

This year the seminar will be held from July 18th to July 20th, with rank examination on July 21st, at Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota. To participate you must be a member of an organization affiliated with the International Kyudo Federation, have a working knowledge of *taihai*, be able to safely shoot at 28 meters, and have the consent of your instructor.

The 3-day seminar will cost **\$410** per participant. Individual seminar applications can be completed online at the Minnesota Kyudo Renmei website (www.mnkyudo.org) **by May 23, 2016**. Renmei heads must also submit the IKYF registration spreadsheet by May 23, 2016, which will serve as the acknowledgement from the Renmei head that each applicant is qualified to participate in the seminar. Seminar applications submitted through the MNKR website that are not authenticated via the spreadsheet sent from Renmei heads will be rejected.

The IKYF will send out the IKYF registration spreadsheet to each Renmei later. AKR Renmei heads can send their registration spreadsheet to Carly Born, MNKR President **by May 21, 2016** and I will compile them before sending to the IKYF office. All other countries are asked to send their registration spreadsheets directly to the IKYF office.

Rank Examination (Shinsa)

There will also be a rank examination (*shinsa*) held on Thursday, July 21st, 2016. Additional details about the rank examination and fees will be sent from the IKYF office when they are finalized.

Location and Housing

Once again, we will host the seminar at Carleton College located in Northfield, Minnesota (35 miles south of the Twin Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul). On-campus housing options will include air-conditioned townhouse and traditional dormitory rooms for a flat fee of **\$150** (double-occupancy, 4 nights starting Sunday). Single rooms and additional nights may be available for additional fees as detailed on the Housing page on the MNKR website.

Meals

Your seminar registration includes meals at the campus dining hall from Sunday dinner through Thursday lunch. There will be a banquet Tuesday evening, which is also included in your seminar registration. Additional banquet tickets can be reserved through the website. The college is usually pretty good about offering a variety of food, including gluten-free and dairy-free options, but please indicate any dietary restrictions on your registration form so we can be sure your specific requirements are met.

Transportation

The nearest airport is Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport (MSP), which is about a 45-minute drive from the college. More information on transportation arrangements will become available on the MNKR website (www.mnkyudo.org) as the details are arranged.

Equipment

We strongly encourage participants to ship equipment to the college ahead of the seminar. The equipment will be received by the college and stored in a cool, climate-controlled room until you arrive on campus. Information on where to ship your equipment can be found on the MNKR website (www.mnkyudo.org).

The Minnesota Kyudo Renmei is looking forward to hosting everyone this summer! If you have any questions at all, please feel free to get in touch with me.

Sincerely,



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