

2024 Tulsa Rensei Taikai

At
Charles Schusterman
Jewish Community Center

Hosted By
Tulsa Kendo Dojo

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Please note that the Shinsa registration is separate from both the SWKIF seminar and the Tulsa Rensei Taikai. The registration packet for the shinsa will be issued separately.



Greetings!

Tulsa Kendo Dojo is excited to announce our inaugural Rensei Taikai for members and guests of the Southwest Kendo and Iaido Federation. It is our goal to provide a dynamic and memorable tournament experience, and provide meaningful growth for all participants. To that end, the Tulsa Rensei Taikai will feature a format with specific conventions for teams and judges.

Our tournament will feature a mass round robin format that is focused on Kenshi getting Taikai experience both as Senshu and Shinpan. With this in mind, we are prioritizing an increased number of matches offered to developing Kenshi, and an increased number of matches judged for those of advanced experience.

While this format at first appears very much opposite to standard, we believe it will offer special opportunities to newer and less experienced Kenshi within the federation, such as:

- Facilitating matches at a higher level for those with more experience.
- Each competitor will be able to compete in at least four matches individually (turn out provided)
- Each Shinpan will have the chance to preside over a significant number of shiai.

With these considerations, we believe all attendants should be able to both learn and grow from the experience.

Please complete the **Individual** Participant Registration form for the Rensei Taikai by following this link:

<https://forms.gle/bWdmEVJb3WaX7BL58>

(Capitalization matters for the link above)

Afterwards, please complete the **Team Sign Up** Registration form for the Rensei Taikai by following this link:

<https://forms.gle/TUFYP4CHTdpNiW8c6>

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Additionally, the Tulsa Kendo Dojo is pleased to announce that the Friday prior to the tournament is set aside for the inaugural SWKIF seminar. We would love for everyone to join as we prepare for the following day's events. Please note that the seminar registration and fees are separate from the Tulsa Kendo Rensei Taikai and fees.

Please complete the Friday Seminar Registration form by following this link:

<https://forms.gle/LRuMsxPjUNx3XUzAA>

(Capitalization matters for the link above)



Important Payment Notice:

- SWKIF Friday Seminar: \$20
- Saturday Lunch: \$15
- Saturday Dinner: \$40
- Tulsa Rensei Taikai Registration: \$40

Note: Registration Fee for the Rensei Taikai is separate from the SWKIF Friday Seminar Fee.

There is no additional payment for team sign up. If you haven't paid for Rensei Taikai, please submit payment before **April 19th, 2024**.

*If someone **hasn't paid** for their registration and are indicated to be on your team, they will be **removed** from your team on April 20th to ensure we can create an accurate line up for the tournament.*

Please send payment via **PayPal** as “**Friends & Family**” to:

Michael Lindsay
michael@tulsakendo.com

Registration Deadline: April 12th, 2024

Payment Deadline: April 19th, 2024

Limited refunds will be granted after April 26th, 2024

Be sure to also RSVP on Facebook for up to date information and for any questions or comments: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/TulsaKendo/events/>

We are looking forward to seeing everyone in Tulsa.

Michael Lindsay
918-850-8815
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Tournament Structure

Our Rensei Taikai will feature the following tournament structure:

Teams:

Consists of 5 Members with rank limitations on position:

- Senpo: Shodan and below only
- Jiho*: Shodan and below only
- Chuken: open for any rank
- Fukusho: open for any rank
- Taisho: open for any rank, must be highest ranking of the team

*In the case of a 4 member team, the Senpo will fight twice as both Senpo and Jiho; however, the Jiho match will not be counted towards to score.

Dojos can register complete teams, request 1-2 additional members to complete a team, or submit individual members to be placed on a team.

Match rules:

- Round robin team matches will be three minutes in length with no Encho.
- Matches will be scored on wins, with ties and losses counting for no score.
- In the event of a court tie post round robin, collective points will be used to determine a winner.
- The best four seeded teams will participate in court semi-finals and a final match—both with two minute Encho.
- In the event of a tie during semi-finals and the final itself, there will be a corresponding three-minute Daihyosen followed by Shinpan Hantei if necessary.

Judging:

- All competitors ranked Sandan and above are expected to Shinpan and help with court duties. Yondan and above ranks will have more rotations as Shinpan.
- There will be a registration option for those wishing to act as Shinpan only.

End of Competition

Competition ends when the round robin is complete, and every team has a chance to fight with each opposing team. Tie will offer an opportunity for goodwill Keiko.

COVID Protocols

The event will act in alignment with current AUSKF regulations, with personal masking being optional for all competitors.

Outcomes

The winner of the tournament will be the team with the most overall match wins, in the event of a tie total points scored will be considered.



Itinerary of Events

Event Locations

Charles Schusterman Jewish Community Center: [2021 E 71st St, Tulsa, OK 74136](#)

American Solera: [1702 E 6th St, Tulsa, OK 74104](#)

Friday, May 3rd

Doors open at 5pm

06:00 PM – 08:00 PM Seminar and Open Keiko Charles Schusterman JCC

Saturday, May 4th

Doors open at 8am

08:00 AM – 08:45 AM Registration – Check-in Charles Schusterman JCC

08:45 AM – 09:30 PM Introductory Ceremonies

09:30 AM – 12:00 PM Taikai Matches Begin

12:00 PM – 01:00 PM Lunch

01:00 PM – 05:00 PM Taikai Matches & Closing Ceremony
***Godogeiko Time Permitting*

07:00 PM – 09:00 PM Celebration Banquet American Solera

Sunday, May 5th

Doors open at 8am




08:00 AM – 08:45 AM Registration – Check-in Charles Schusterman JCC

09:00 AM – 01:00 PM SWKIF Testing and Ranking



Saturday Banquet

We are excited to announce the location of our Taikai Banquet! In the last years, American Solera has held three titles as 2023 James Beard Outstanding Bar Award Semifinalist, Craft Beer & Brewing: Best in Beer 2020 Award, and Best New Brewery in the US 2016. **American Solera offers a wide variety of 16 different beers on tap, bottles of wine, and non-alcoholic options.**

<p>James Beard Outstanding Bar Award™ 2023 Semifinalist</p>	<p>Best in Beer 2020: Coolship Roadtrip</p>	<p>Best New Brewery in the US 2016</p>
		
<p>Awarded by The James Beard Foundation, Inc.</p>	<p>Awarded by Craft Beer & Brewing</p>	<p>Awarded by RateBeer</p>

We will be reserving half of the brewery to accommodate not only our need for great beer, but to also give us room to cater from Tulsa's very own, [Lone Wolf](#).



Created out of a passion for food from husband and wife team, Philip and Danielle Phillips, Lone Wolf has won best food truck in nearly every local awards ceremony. Lone Wolf was also featured on the second season of the CNBC tv show, Restaurant Startup, when they opened their downtown location in September 2012.



*Note: Outside alcohol will not be permitted on location of the banquet, but alcoholic beverages can be bought on premise.



Hotel and Restaurant Information

LIMITED OPPORTUNITY: If you are looking into finding the right place for you, we are pleased to offer a limited number of rooms at the Marriott Tulsa Hotel Southern Hills, which is located directly across the street from the Charles Schusterman Jewish Community Center. They are offering a nightly rate of \$159+ tax rates for any booking from May 3rd through the 5th. While the offer is only valid from the 3rd through the 5th, the offer still stands if you are booking for one or two nights. **This offer does not include breakfast**, but the hotel has many other services. The Marriott contains two on-site restaurants, room service, a fresh bites cafe that serves Starbucks specialties, and a 24-hour market.

- **To book with this offer, follow [this link](#).**
- There are only a small number of rooms available so please select your date range and book them ASAP for your convenience. **The last day to make reservations at this rate is April 12, 2024.**

While we recommend reserving rooms with Marriott or Wingate due to their immediate proximity to the event, attendees are also encouraged to scout for accommodations most appealing to individual preference. Any additional provisions are at one's own accord. If additional help for additional provisions is needed, please refer to this list:

Surrounding Hotels

- [Marriott Tulsa Hotel Southern Hills](#)
1902 E. 71st St. Tulsa, OK 74136
918-493-7000
- [Wingate by Wyndham Tulsa](#)
2854 E. 51st St. Tulsa, OK 74105
918-770-4367

Surrounding Restaurants

- [India Palace](#)
6963 S Lewis Ave, Tulsa, OK 74136
918-492-8040
- [WON, Korean BBQ & Hot Pot](#)
7407 S Memorial Dr, Tulsa, OK 74133
918-957-5029
- [Lanna Thai Restaurant](#)
7227 S Memorial Dr, Tulsa, OK 74133
918-249-5262
- [Chengdu](#)
6620 S Memorial Dr, Tulsa, OK 74133
918-615-6008
- [Sura](#)
6946 S Lewis Ave, Tulsa, OK 74136
918-488-1887
- [Catrina Fresh Mex](#)
6902 S Lewis Ave, Tulsa, OK 74136
918-481-7000
- [Casa de Tequila](#)
6000 S Lewis Ave, Tulsa, OK 74105
918-292-8277
- and various fast food places



Maps and Directions

Seminar & Taikai Location

- Charles Schusterman Jewish Community Center: [2021 E 71st St, Tulsa, OK 74136](https://www.google.com/maps/place/Charles+Schusterman+Jewish+Community+Center/@36.145875,-95.954125,15z)





Celebration Banquet Location

➤ American Solera: [1702 E 6th St, Tulsa, OK 74104](https://www.google.com/maps/place/1702+E+6th+St,+Tulsa,+OK+74104)

