

The Aikido Association of America
Is proud to present the
AAA Aikido Seminar

Instruction by
**AAA Teaching Committee Member
Hiroshi Tajiri, Godan**

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December 3-5, 2004

Held at
**Aikido of Northern Indiana—
Onshinkan Dojo**

9152 Louisiana Street, Merrillville, IN
219-736-7854

This seminar is open to students age 10 and up, of any rank or martial art.
Hiroshi Tajiri is ranked godan, titled shihan-dai, and is chief instructor of Seibukan
Aikido Dojo in North Carolina.

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The Seminar...

The Aikido Association of America is proud to announce an Aikido Seminar held at Onshinkan Dojo from December 3-5, 2004, in Merrillville, Indiana. The training is open to students of any martial art or rank, and from any organization or dojo. Instruction will be provided by Hiroshi Tajiri Sensei, who is making his second visit to Onshinkan Dojo; last year his teaching was very well received, and students were enthralled with his demonstrations of sumi-e (Japanese ink painting) and calligraphy (Japanese brush writing).

The seminar will feature quality instruction in both empty hand technique (throwing, pinning, and striking) as well as weapons technique with traditional bokken, staff, and tanto.

In addition to the Aikido instruction, Tajiri Sensei will be conducting special morning sessions in misogi and ki-ai development. Misogi is a training that helps the student develop more internal energy (ki) and to apply that energy into all Aikido movements as well as to their daily life activities. Tajiri Sensei has developed a system of instruction on these topics, blending his zen experience and the misogi breathing methods which he learned from Toyoda Shihan, and strongly believes that the training will benefit all Aikido students.

Schedule...		
Friday	5:30 pm	Registration
Dec. 3	6:00-9:00 pm	Aikido Training
Saturday	9:00-9:45 am	Misogi and Ki-ai Training
Dec. 4	10:00-1:00 pm	Aikido Training
	1:00-3:00 pm	Lunch Break
	3:00-6:00 pm	Aikido Training
	7:30 pm	Group Dinner
Sunday	9:00-9:45 am	Misogi and Ki-ai Training
Dec. 5	10:00-1:00 pm	Aikido Training

About the founder

Shihan Fumio Toyoda was born in Japan on November 8, 1947 and began studying Aikido at the age of 10. After earning his shodan in Aikido at age 17, he was accepted as jyoju (live-in student) at the Ichikukai Dojo in Tokyo, where he committed himself to three years of rigorous training in misogi and zen. During this time he also pursued a law degree at Senshu University.

After graduating from Senshu University, Toyoda Shihan lived as uchideshi at Aikido World Headquarters (Aikikai Hombu Dojo), and there began his career as a professional, full-time Aikido instructor. His teaching responsibilities took him to South Korea and Hawaii, where he presented Aikido demonstrations and seminars to instructors and beginners alike.

Through these demonstrations and seminars, Toyoda Shihan recognized the growing need for full-time, qualified Aikido instruction and made a personal commitment to spread the art and philosophy of Aikido beyond the shores of his native Japan. Beginning in 1984, Toyoda Shihan began to fulfill this commitment by personally spreading the teachings of Aikido to Europe, Canada and more than 30 states across the U.S. In 1984, Toyoda Shihan founded the *Aikido Association of America* (AAA) to provide a network of support for dojo around the world in order to maintain standards of excellence in Aikido and the application of Aikido philosophy in daily life. Through his diligent work and commitment, Toyoda Shihan dedicated his life to promoting Aikido to its highest level throughout America, and internationally through Aikido Association International.

About the instructor

Hiroshi Tajiri Sensei began his Aikido training at the age of 17 at the Seibukan Budo Dojo in Kyoto, Japan. He moved to the United States in 1974 and began training under Shihan Fumio Toyoda, then the chief instructor of the Chicago Ki Aikido Society. He became Shihan Toyoda's uchideshi (live-in student) and trained intensively in Aikido and Zen. Tajiri Sensei later moved to North Carolina and opened his own dojo, Seibukan Aikido Dojo, and became a full-time instructor. He teaches Aikido nationally and internationally for AAA/AAI, is a senior member of the national Teaching Committee, and was designated Shihan-dai (assistant shihan) by Toyoda Shihan. He also teaches self defense for law enforcement officers such as the North Carolina Highway Patrol, the NC Department of Corrections, and various police departments. He has also trained in Judo and Iaido under Shihan Kaminoda Tsunemori, 8th dan.

Registration Form— Merrillville IN, May 2004

I would like to register for the seminar. Please find enclosed my check or money order (made payable to "Aikido Association of America") in the amount of:

- \$60 Entire Seminar
- \$25 Friday only \$45 Saturday only \$25 Sunday Only

NAME: _____ TODAY'S DATE: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE (H): _____ PHONE (W): _____

FAX: _____ E-MAIL: _____

MARTIAL ART (circle one): AIKIDO OTHER: _____

NAME OF DOJO: _____ RANK: _____

PAYMENT METHOD:

- Check enclosed _____ (Please make payable to "Aikido Association of America")
- Credit Card () Visa () Master Card Number: _____ exp: _____
- Cash (accepted at-the-door only): _____

If registering more than a week in advance, please mail registration to: **AAA Headquarters 1016 West Belmont Ave. Chicago, IL 60657** Otherwise, bring with you to the seminar!

Release of Liability (Please read before you sign)

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Signed: _____

Signed: _____
(parent or guardian if participant is under 18)

OFFICE USE ONLY	DATE REC'D:	BY WHOM:	NOTES:
	AMOUNT:	FORM: CSH __ CK__ CHG__	
	DATES PLANNED TO ATTEND:		

Directions & Lodging...

Participants are welcome to stay at the dojo for no charge. Bring blankets or a sleeping bag. There are also many hotels in the area and restaurants.

Hotels within a mile of the dojo...

Super 8 Motel

8300 Louisiana St.
Merrillville, IN
219-736-8383

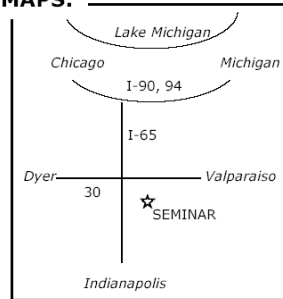
Days Inn

1350 E. 83rd Ave.
Merrillville, IN
219-736-5252

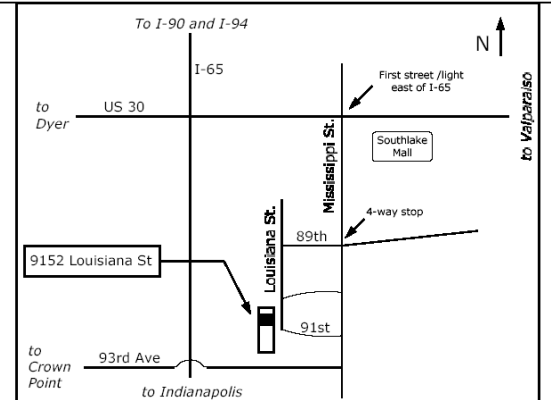
Best Western Inn & Suites

8293 Louisiana St.
Merrillville, IN
219-736-2378

MAPS:



There are many hotels and restaurants at the intersection of US 30 and I-65



Directions to Onshinkan Dojo

From Chicago... Take the skyway or I-90/94 to Indiana. Exit at Hwy 65 south (towards Indianapolis). Exit at US-30 east (towards Valparaiso). Turn right (south) at the first light onto Mississippi Street (by Red Lobster, Baker's Square...). Turn right (west) at the stop sign at 89th Ave. Turn left (south) at the next block/stop sign onto Louisiana Street. Turn right into the parking lot at the south end of Louisiana Street.

From Michigan... Get to I-94 or I-80/90 and head east, towards Chicago. Exit at Hwy 65 south (towards Indianapolis) and follow as above.

From Lafayette... Take Hwy 65 north. Exit at US-30 east (towards Valparaiso) and follow as above

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