



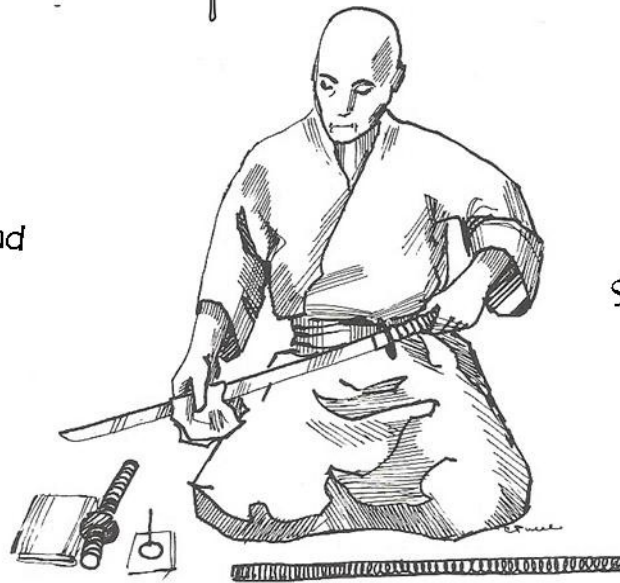
is pleased to host a
weekend seminar
in ...

Muso Jikiden Eishin-Ryu

IAIJUTSU

The art of Japanese Swordsmanship

Open to any
experience, style, and
affiliation



Special sessions on Shindo
Muso-ryu Jojutsu

MARCH 14-16, 2008

at Aikido of Northern Indiana's headquarters facility,
Onshinkan Dojo, 9152 Louisiana Street, Merrillville, Indiana

The instructor



Greg Noble Sensei is the founder and Chief instructor of West Virginia Aikido / Kushinkan Dojo, in Charleston, West Virginia. His martial arts background began 20 years ago with training in Aikido and Karate and he is currently training in Muso Jikiden Eishin Ryu Iaijutsu and Shindo Muso Ryu Jojutsu. Noble Sensei specializes in the relationship between Aikido weapons / Japanese swordsmanship and Aikido empty hand technique.

The art

Iaido, or **Iaijutsu**, described simply, is the art of drawing the Japanese sword from the scabbard and in the same motion responding to the opponent's attack—or dispatching the attacker—and then returning the sword to the scabbard gracefully and with dignity.

Iaido is not a competitive martial art—for obvious reasons—so the main focus during training is practicing a number of prearranged kata (forms) with concentration, awareness, and clarity. Through diligent repetition of these kata, one eventually comes to understand the true nature of the art.

Practicing the kata is done with the full spirit of cutting down one's enemy. In the mind of the trainee, one's solitary training against the imaginary opponent is a very real struggle where victory means life and defeat means death.

***Jodo**, or **Jojutsu**, is the art of the short staff. The "Jo" itself is a wooden staff approximately 4 feet long. Like Iai-jutsu, Jo-jutsu traces its roots back to the time feudal Japan and the Samurai warrior class. Shindo Muso Ryu Jo-Jutsu was created by Muso Gonnosuke, after suffering defeat in a duel against the famed swordsman Miyamoto Musashi. The art of Jo-jutsu is almost 400 years old and consists of 64 waza (forms) and 12 basic kihon. The Jikishin-Kai teaches Jo-jutsu as a companion art to Iai-jutsu as both are very complimentary arts and the techniques and applications learned from one are very applicable to the other.*

These arts are very meditative and yet extremely intense and exhilarating, and its practice generates many benefits for the mind, body, and spirit. We hope you can join us for this event! No experience is required.

The facility

Aikido of Northern Indiana—Onshinkan Dojo is located in Merrillville, Indiana, approximately 1 to 1-1/2 hours drive from Chicago. Located in a warehouse area, its two stories include 1000 feet of mat space, changing rooms, shower and restroom facilities, a classroom, cooking facilities, and sleeping space. Classes offered on an ongoing basis include: Aikido, a traditional non-competitive martial art (adult, youth, and family classes); Zen Meditation; Yoga; Chi Kung and Tai Chi; Japanese Language; Ikebana (Japanese Flower Arranging); Chanoyu (Tea Ceremony); Iaido (Japanese Swordsmanship); and Self-Defense. For more information, visit www.onshinkandojo.com.

The event

This weekend seminar is open to all levels of practitioners, from those with no prior training in any art to those with years of training. This Iaido seminar at Onshinkan Dojo will feature instruction and practice in basic and more advanced techniques, both with the bokken and the iaito, and basic techniques and etiquette in jojutsu

Please wear loose-fitting and comfortable clothing—sweat pants, gi pants, T-shirt, sweatshirt, or Iaido clothing, and avoid using perfumes and colognes. Shoes will be left just inside the door. If you have a jo, and a bokken with tsuba or an iaito, bring those as well as any other equipment desired. Some are available at the dojo to borrow, and there will be some equipment for sale. We also have some meditation cushions for the sit, but you might want to bring your own cushion or pillow just in case.

To some extent, each session will build on the previous, so if it is possible, plan on attending the entire weekend. If not, partial attendance arrangements are available.

Lodging is available at the dojo for no extra charge. Please make arrangements in advance, and bring your own sleeping bag and toiletries.

The schedule

Friday, March 14th	5:30-6:00 pm 6:00-9:00 pm	Registration Musō Jikiden Eishin-ryū Iaijutsu
Saturday, March 15th	9:00-9:45 am 9:45-10:00 am 10:00 am-1:00 pm 1:00-2:00 pm 2:00-4:00 pm 4:00-7:00 pm 7:30 pm	<i>Zazen (optional but recommended)</i> Registration Musō Jikiden Eishin-ryū Iaijutsu <i>Lunch Break</i> Shindo Musō-ryū Jojutsu Musō Jikiden Eishin-ryū Iaijutsu <i>Group dinner</i>
Sunday, March 16th	8:00-8:45 am 9:00-9:50 am 10:00 am-1:00 pm	<i>Zazen (optional but recommended)</i> Shindo Musō-ryū Jojutsu Musō Jikiden Eishin-ryū Iaijutsu

Fee: \$65 Fri/Sat/Sun \$35 Friday only \$50 Saturday only \$35 Sunday only

Information / Registration

For more information, to register, or to get directions, please contact the office of Aikido of Northern Indiana (email: iaido@onshinkandojo.com; phone: 219-736-7854. A map to the facility can also be found on the ANI website at www.onshinkandojo.com.

IAIDO Seminar Registration Form— Onshinkan Dojo, IN

March 14th, 15th, 16th, 2008

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

\$65 Entire Seminar OR \$35 Friday only \$50 Saturday only \$35 Sunday only
 Dojo lodging (no charge)

EVENT DATE(S): _____ FEE: _____ TODAY'S DATE: _____

NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

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

E-MAIL: _____

MARTIAL ART: () AIKIDO () OTHER: _____

NAME OF DOJO: _____ RANK: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____ PHONE: _____

PAYMENT METHOD:

Check enclosed: _____ Amount: _____ Cash (accepted at the door)

Please mail registration and payment to:

Aikido of Northern Indiana
9152 Louisiana Street
Merrillville, IN 46410

For more information, directions, or registration questions, please contact us by one of the following methods:

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