

Presented by Four Winds Martial Arts

WEKAF-STYLE SPARRING

Saturday
May 12th 2007

Alverno College Gymnasium
Milwaukee, WI



PADDED
STICK
SPARRING

FORMS COMPETITION

MIDWEST Stickfighting CHALLENGE

Round-Robin Style Tournament & Training Clinic

Competitor Rates

\$45 For 2 or more events in advance
\$55 For 2 or more events at the door

Those who Pre-register by May 2nd will receive a Sub-sandwich, bag of chips and water bottle at the event.

WEKAF Members receive a \$5 Discount on their entrance fee. (Competitors must be in Good Standing, with WEKAF dues paid thru 2007)

A Prize Drawing will be held at the event, tickets for this will be available at the Registration Table.

Competition Formats

Forms Competition
WEKAF-Style Single Stick Sparring
Padded Single Stick Sparring

Age Divisions

Kids	12 years & Under
Teens	13-17 years
Adults	18 years & Over

Weight classes & further age breakdowns will be determined at the event.

What's it all about...

In order to introduce the sport of Stickfighting & Forms competition to the public, we are hosting a training tournament geared towards beginners and novice competitors. Anyone is welcome to participate, and anyone who competes will get valuable feedback on their performance from judges and coaches with years of experience.

Instead of paying \$50 or more to fight only once in a single elimination tournament, we will be running this tournament as a Round-Robin event, allowing every competitor to fight every person in their division. Judges will offer advice to all competitors after each match.

Further, those who compete in forms will be judged on several criteria, such as finesse, fluidity, speed, athleticism, intensity, artistry and presence. These competitors will receive critique sheets containing comments and advice from the judges.

It is our hope that everyone who participates in this event will take home valuable experience in preparation for the upcoming WEKAF stickfighting tournament season. In addition, fighters will get a chance to try the new padded stick competition, using "Engagement Rules." This new format reduces the amount of protection required by using padded sticks, allowing fighters to move more naturally and strike to a wider range of targets.

Sparring Divisions

Sparring competitors will fight one round against every competitor in their bracket (6-10 bouts). Arbitrators will be present at each ring to comment on each fighters' performance. Awards will be given for most exciting fight in each division.

Forms Divisions

Judges will score using a critique sheet adding comments on each competitor's performance. Competitors will receive these written comments at the end of the forms competition. Awards will be given out at the end of the division for most intense & most artistic forms.

Registration:

Pre-registration deadline is May 2nd, 2007
To register, contact Sue Sipin at (414) 541-3656
or by email at ssipin@wi.rr.com

Location:

Alverno College Gymnasium
(Between Alphonsa Hall & Pitman Theatre)
S. 39th Street & Morgan Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53219

Driving Directions:

From Madison: Take 94 East towards Milwaukee to 41. Exit Miller Parkway (#308B). Stay in left-hand lane and continue straight to Morgan Avenue. Left on Morgan to S. 39th. Left on S. 39th to parking lot on left.

From Beloit: Take 43 to 894East. Exit S. 60th Street. Left on 60th to Morgan Avenue. Right on Morgan to S. 39th to parking lot on left.

From Chicago: Take 94 to 894West. Exit S. 60th Street. Right on 60th to Morgan Avenue. Right on Morgan to S. 39th. Left on S. 39th to parking lot on left.

Event Schedule

9 AM - Registration

10 AM - Forms

11 AM - Rules Meeting
- WEKAF-style
Sparring

2 PM - Lunch Break

3 PM - Padded Stick
Sparring

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Competitor Information (Please Print Clearly)

Last Name First Name

Street Address

City State/Province

Zip/Postal Code Country

(Area Code) Phone Email Address

Date of Birth/Age Sex

Height/Weight Official Weight (at Weigh-in)

Club/School Instructor

Name of Parent/Guardian

Amount Enclosed Check #



Credit Card Number Expiration Date



Card Type

Signature (Authorizing charge on credit card)

Entrance Fee

	In Advance	At the door
	2 or more Events	2 or more Events
All Ages	\$45	\$55

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Divisions

Check the divisions in which you will be competing below.

Age Divisions

(Select One)

- Boys and Girls (Under 12 years)
- Teens (13-17 years)
- Adults (Men or Women 18 years and over)

Competition Formats

- Sayaw/Forms Category
- WEKAF-Style Sparring
- Padded Stick Sparring

Experience Level

- This is my first tournament
- Less than five tournaments
- 5 or more tournaments
- I have volunteered as a judge or referee in previous events

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Competitor Release Form

For and in consideration of permitting _____ (Participant) to participate in the **Midwest Stickfighting Challenge**, the Undersigned hereby voluntarily agrees to hereafter and forever fully release, discharge, waive and relinquish any and all actions or causes of action for personal injury, property damage or wrongful death arising as a result of engaging said activity or activities incidental hereto, wherever or however the same may occur, against promoters, all co-sponsoring organizations and persons associated with the **Midwest Stickfighting Challenge**, including Thomas Sipin and Four Winds Martial Arts, Inc., and their officers, agents, and employees.

I am fully aware and expressly understand that Eskrima Kali Arnis full contact sparring and Sayaw/Forms competition requires strenuous physical exertion and exercise and necessitates bodily contact during sparring engagements and demonstrations at times as part of the activities of this event. Although all necessary precautions will be taken to maximize the safety of all participants, I am fully aware that any and all of the aforementioned activities and others may result either unavoidably or negligently in physical injury.

I agree to abide by the rules governing this event, and I understand that blatant disregard of these rules, or to the spirit, intention and good sportsmanship of this event will lead to disqualification and expulsion.

I hereby authorize Four Winds Martial Arts, Inc., and their officers, agents, and employees to obtain any and all medical treatment deemed reasonably necessary for Participant. Participant, or Participant's parent/guardian if a minor, agrees to bear any cost connected therewith and shall promptly pay upon billing by the health care provider. Neither Four Winds Martial Arts, Inc., nor any of their officers, agents, or employees shall incur any financial liability for any medical treatment obtained pursuant to this authorization.

I also fully release Four Winds Martial Arts, Inc. and its associates from any claim for any videotaping or photos taken during this event, and I hereby waive any compensation whatsoever for the use of pictures, movies, media coverage, etc. utilized by those associated with the **Midwest Stickfighting Challenge** for profit making motives at any time.

This release shall inure to and be binding upon my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns.

Participant Signature

Printed Name

Date

The undersigned, the parent/legal guardian of the above mentioned, has read, understands the same, and hereby accepts and agrees to the terms, conditions and provisions of the foregoing agreement. Mandatory signature for all competitors under 18.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Printed Name

Date