

Danny T. Zaino

Martial Arts Rank

Hachidan (8th Dan) – Ken-Jiu-Ryu/GoJu-Ryu - Grand Master Rich Alford / Okinawan GoJu-Ryu – Grand Master Carl Stone
Shichidan (7th Dan) – Grand Master Roy Williams (granted me my own system) / Ken-Jiu-Ryu/ GoJu-Ryu – Grand Master Rich Alford / Niesi GoJu-Ryu - Grand Master Ulysses Pop Winn
Rokudan (6th Dan) – Ken-Jiu-Ryu/GoJu-Ryu – Grand Master Rich Alford / John Gabriel
Godan (5th Dan) – American GoJu-Ryu – Grand Master John Pachivas
Godan (5th Dan) – Okinawan GoJu-Ryu – Grand Master Carl Stone
Yodan (4th Dan) – Japanese GoJu-Ryu – Grand Master Ed Brown
Sandan (3rd Dan) – Niesi GoJu-Ryu - Grand Master Ulysses “Pop” Winn
Sandan (3rd Dan) – Infinite Way of the Martial Arts / Chinese GoJu-Ryu - Master David Williams
Nidan (2nd Dan) – Infinite Way of the Martial Arts/Chinese GoJu-Ryu – Master David Williams
Shodan (1st Dan) – Niesi GoJu-Ryu – Grand Master Ulysses “Pop” Winn

Other System Rank:

Blue Belt – Moo Do Kwon – Tae Kwon Do (Kuki Kwon) – Master Wong, Korea
Blue Belt – Thai Kickboxing/Tae Kwon Do – Master Udon Simon
Green Belt – Karado Karate (Chinese Karate) – Master Mark Juckett
Yellow Belt – Kang Do Kwon – Tae Kwon Do – Master Keith Bryer

Professional Accomplishments:

1973-1974 – Wrestling – Quickest Pin 32 seconds – Wantagh Junior High, New York
1973-1974 – Traveling All Star Football Team – Wantagh New York
1974 – Presidential Physical Fitness Award – President Richard Nixon
1974-1978 – YMCA Championship Football Team – Palm Beach Gardens Florida
1974-1979 – High School Wrestling and Football - Florida
1979 – Diploma of Completion – Military Police School – United States Army
1979 – Certificate of Achievement – Brabo Battery 2nd Battalion 71st Air Defense Artillery(Hawk) Korea
1979 – Founded Zaino's Martial Arts Gym / Designed official school patch
1980 to 1982 – Certificate of Achievement – Army Military Police Corps
1985 – Honorable Discharge – United States Army
1988 – Founded Florida Palm Coast Karate Events Tournament Circuit
7 Time Hall of Fame Promoter since 1994
1996 – Innovator of the “Pure Warrior” Sports Tonfa for competition
1990 to current – produced numerous State and National Champions
2000 – Team Americas “World Martial Arts Show Team” (Formerly National Team Pepsi)
2002 – Founded the National Promoters League “World Tournament & Event Division”
2004 – 2008 – “Coach of the Year” Team Americas (formerly National Team Pepsi)
2007-2008 – Winner of the #1 “Sports Radio Show of the Year” Danny & Theresa Zaino's “Martial Arts Radio Hour”
2009 – Developed the Martial Arts Entertainment Radio, Magazine, and Video sites
2010 – Producing and starring in the documentary films “Born to Compete” and “Warriors Quest”

Martial Arts Awards

- 1984 – **1st Place Award in Kumite** – Florida Police Olympics
- 1994 – **Promoter of the Year** – presented by: “The World Martial Arts Hall of Fame, Inc.”
- 1996 – **Dedication to the Martial Arts** – presented by: “Frank Ruiz Memorial Hall of Fame”
- 1996 – **Promoter of the Year** – presented by: “Cosmopolitan Florida Hall of Fame/Martial Arts Brotherhood”
- 1996 – **Promoter of the Year** – presented by: “World Head of Family Sokeship Council/ International Hall of Fame”
- 1997 – **Promoter of the Year** – presented by: “World Head of Family Sokeship Council/ International Hall of Fame”
- 1997 – **Special Recognition Award** – presented by: “Eastern USA International Martial Arts Association Inc./International Black Belt Hall of Fame”
- 1997 – **Innovative Weapon Design – Sports Tonfa** – presented by: “Cosmopolitan Florida Hall of Fame/Martial Arts Brotherhood”
- 1998 – **Outstanding Martial Arts Weaponry – Sports Tonfa** – presented by: “World Union Hall of Fame”
- 1998 – **Master of the Year** – presented by: “Cosmopolitan Florida Hall of Fame/Martial Arts Brotherhood”
- 1999 – **Promoter of the Year** – presented by: “Cosmopolitan Florida Hall of Fame/Martial Arts Brotherhood”
- 2000 – **Silver Lifetime Achievement** – presented by: “Cosmopolitan Florida Hall of Fame/ Martial Arts Brotherhood”
- 2001 – **Coach of the Year – Team Pepsi** – presented by: “The Universal Martial Arts Hall of Fame Inc./Supreme Sokeship Council”
- 2001 – **Martial Arts Spirit Award** – presented by: “Action Martial Arts Magazine/Hall of Fame & Spirit Awards”
- 2001 – **Special Recognition award** – presented by Grand Master Roy Williams “Ihalo Aura Arts” FLMA Banquet
- 2002 – **Founder Award – Team Pepsi** – presented by: “Cosmopolitan Florida Hall of Fame/ Martial Arts Brotherhood”
- 2003 – **Organization of the Year – Florida Palm Coast Karate Events** - presented by: “Gold Coast Martial Arts Association/Hall of Fame”
- 2004 – **Master Instructor of the Year** – for leadership, dedication, and contributions to the Martial Arts – presented by: “Gold Coast Martial Arts Association/Hall of Fame”
- 2005 – **Promoter of the Year** – presented by: “Gold Coast Martial Arts Association/Hall of Fame”
- 2005 – **Coach of the Year** – presented by: “Cosmopolitan Florida Hall of Fame / Martial Arts Brotherhood”
- 2006 – **Coach of the Year “National Team Pepsi”** – presented by: “World Head of Family Sokeship Council / Hall of Fame”

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- 2006 – **Coach of the Year “National Team Pepsi”** – presented by: “AMS Leaders Summit
- 2006 – **Promoter of the Year** – presented by: “Cosmopolitan Florida Hall of Fame / Martial Arts Brotherhood”
- 2007 – **Coach of the Year** – presented by “Cosmopolitan Florida Hall of Fame / Martial Arts Brotherhood”
- 2007 - “Danny & Theresa Zaino’s Martial Arts Radio Hour” Show **voted “#1 Sports Radio Show of the Year” 2007** –presented by “Action Radio Network
- 2008 - “Danny & Theresa Zaino’s Martial Arts Radio Hour” Show **voted “#1 Sports Radio Show of the Year” 2008** – presented by “Action Martial Arts Magazine Hall of Honors

Police Awards

- 1982 – **Certificate of Completion** – **Basic Standard Recruit Class #33** – Palm Beach Junior College
- 1983 – **Certificate of Compliance in Law Enforcement** – The Commission on Criminal Justice Standards and Training
- 1984 – **Certificate of Completion** – Officer Survival Training Institute
- 1984 – **Career Development Certificate** - **Police Officer Skills Development** – The Commission of Criminal Justice Standards and Training
- 1984 – **Career Development Certificate** – **Police Photography** – The Commission of Criminal Justice Standards and Training
- 1984 – **Career Development Certificate** – **Criminal Law** – The Commission of Criminal Justice Standards and Training
- 1984 – **Certificate of Completion** – **Criminal Law** – Palm Beach Junior College
- 1984 – **Certificate of Completion** – **Skills Development** – Palm Beach Junior College
- 1984 – **Certificate of Completion** – **Police Photography** – Palm Beach Junior College
- 1984 – **Certificate of Completion** – **Tactical Police Driving School** – Palm Beach County Sheriff’s Office
- 1984 – **Certificate of Completion** – **Side Handle Baton** – Atlantis Police Department
- 1984 – **Certificate of Completion** – **Kubaton Key Chain** – Takayuki Kubota and John G. Peters F.B.I.
- 1984 – **Certificate of Completion** – **Self Defense Training** – USKA Law Enforcement International Civil Police Division – Joe Hess and Grand Master Trias – U.S.K.A.
- 1984 – **1st Place Award in Kumite** – Florida Police Olympics
- 1994 – **Certificate of Completion** – **Police Tactics Instruction** – Police Tactics Instructors of America – William Klase

Military Awards

- 1979 – **Diploma of Completion – Military Police School** – United States Army
- 1979 – **Certificate of Achievement** – Brabo Battery 2nd Battalion 71st Air Defense Artillery (Hawk) - Korea
- 1980 to 1982 – **Certificate of Achievement** – Army Military Police Corps
- 1985 – **Honorable Discharge** – United States Army

Childhood Awards

1973-1974 – **Wrestling** – Quickest Pin 32 seconds – Wantagh Junior High, New York
1973-1974 – **Traveling All Star Football Team** – Wantagh New York
1974 – **Presidential Physical Fitness Award** – President Richard Nixon
1974-1978 – **YMCA Championship Football Team** – Palm Beach Gardens Florida
1974-1979 – **High School Wrestling and Football** - Florida

Current Occupation

Board Certified Tile, Marble, and Terrazzo Contractor
Martial Arts Instructor and Coach
Martial Arts Promoter
Radio Host
Show Team Choreographer

Seminars Attended Over the Past 25 Years

I have trained at seminars with the following Martial Artists:

Regie Able – U.S.K.A. – Kata
Alfa Stunt Team (Ninja Turtles) – Gymnastics – Camp Chat 1999
Rich Alford – Fighting / JuJitsu
Gary Alexander – Kata / Self-Defense
George Alexander – Kata / Weaponry
Master Boes – Tonfa – U.S.K.A.
Michael Bernardo - Bo
Keith Bryer - Karate
Phillip Chenique - JuJitsu
Mike Chaturantabut – Performing / Gymnastics / Kicks – Camp Chat 1999, 2001, and 2002
Fumio Demura - Karate
Michael DePasquale – Stunts / Acting
George Dillman – Pressure Points
Jerry Dooley - Judo
Mike Door - Fighting
Arturo Espina - Kata
Adam Faldetta – Sport Karate
Jerry Fontanez - Fighting
John Gabriel – Team Drills
Carley Gracie – Gracie JuJitsu
Rickson Gracie – Gracie JuJitsu - JuJitsu
Dave Hepler (Elvis Presleys Body Guard) – Point Karate
Mark Hermon – Self-Defense
Joe Hess – Knunchaku
Andy Horne - Weaponry
Cane Master - Cane
Vernon Jones – Fighting
Donna Judge – U.S.K.A. – Kata
Mark Juckett – Karado Karate
Kim Kahana – Stunts - present
Dale Kirby - Sword
Fred LaSala – Hapkido
James Sang Lee – Stunts - present
Rex Lee - Karate
Joe Lewis – Fighting Concepts
Ming Lu – Kung Fu – Camp Chat 1999
Chip Lutz – Tae Kwon Do
Lou Martinez – Kick Boxing
Robert Mason – Point Karate
Jim Mathews – Chito-Ryu
Chuck Merriman – Traditional Japanese Karate
Glenn Mehlman – Fighting
Jay-Scott Moylan – Kung Fu
Tony Palmore – Kick Boxing
Sifu Pan – Tiger Kun Fu
Ed Parker Jr. – Pressure Points
Rene Preston – Extreme Sticks
Mosses Powers - Jujitsu
Jhoon Rhee – Tae Kwon Do
Manny Reyes Jr. – Point Karate
Rick Riccardi – Self Defense
Ringling Brothers Stunt Team – Stunts – Camp Chat 1999
Udon Simon – Tai Kick Boxing
Steve Shepherd – Kick Boxing
Jeff Speakman – Kenpo Karate
David Stanely (Elvis Presleys Step Brother) – Kenpo Karate
Carl Stone – Kata / Weaponry
Reggie Toussaint – Fighting
Villaries Karate System – West Palm Beach, FL
Bill “Super Foot” Wallace – Kick Boxing / Point Karate
David Williams – Kung Fu
Roy Williams – Weaponry / Black Light
Don “The Dragon” Wilson – Kick Boxing
Ulysses “Pop” Winn - Karate
U.S.K.A. Organization – Clinics run under Grand Master John Pachivas on Weaponry and Kata
Master Visitation - JuJitsu
Pedro Xavier – Point Fighting



Zaino's Martial Arts Gym

Black Belts Promoted



Glen Aitken – 4th Degree – Yodan (Jr. Master)
Mathew Balfour – 3rd Degree – Sandan (Sensei)
John Brown – 2nd Degree - Nidan
Margo Bryunel – 4th Degree – Yodan (Jr. Master)
Brandon Cagni – Black Belt
Mike Cagni – Black Belt
John Cioffoletti – 2nd Degree – Nidan
Cayla Cook – Black Belt
Kris Daversa – 4th Degree – Yodan (Jr. Master)
Jerry Donnini – 6th Degree – Rokudan (Master)
Leonard Greene (Bunk) – 4th Degree – Yodan (Jr. Master)
Jake Grimm – Black Belt
Mike Grogan – 2nd Degree – Nidan
Ashley Holder – 1st Degree - Shodan
Vince Izzo – 6th Degree - Rokudan (Master)
Vincent Izzo – Black Belt
AJay Kaplan – Black Belt
Clay Knapp – 3rd Degree – Sandan (Sensei)
Kyle Knapp – 3rd Degree – Sandan (Sensei)
Dom LoPresti – Black Belt
Frank LoPresti – 3rd Degree – Sandan (Sensei)
Danny Martin – 3rd Degree – Sandan
Richard Mercy – 4th Degree – Yodan (Jr. Master)
Steve Mercy – 4th Degree – Yodan (Jr. Master)
Jason Montgomery – 3rd Degree – Sandan (Sensei)
Garrett Nogal – 3rd Degree – Sandan (Sensei)
Sebastian Noriega – 3rd Degree – Sandan (Sensei)
Gabriel Posterik – 1st Degree – Shodan
Steve Ray – 3rd Degree – Sandan (Sensei)
Christopher Roberts – 2nd Degree – Shodan
Terrance Robinson – 4th Degree – Yodan (Jr. Master)
Danny Rutherford – Black Belt
Christina Sheffield – 1st Degree - Shodan
Steve Sixberry – 4th Degree – Yodan (Jr. Master)
Eddie Sixberry – 2nd Degree – Nidan
Cassie Stamm – 1st Degree – Shodan
Ryan Stamm – 1st Degree – Shodan
Wil Uhfelder – 1st Degree – Shodan
Dominique Zaino – 1st Degree - Shodan
Joseph Zaino – 1st Degree - Shodan
Theresa Zaino – 6th Degree - Rokudan (Master)
Tony Zaino – 2nd Degree – Nidan