

United States Martial Arts Association

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What Is the USMA?

The United States Martial Arts Association (USMA) is a non-profit corporation incorporated in early 1996. To avoid the destructive effects of politics, the USMA, like most corporations, has a permanent governing Board, which guides the policies of the USMA.

The mission of the USMA is to unify American Martial Arts in spirit by offering services and guidance to all Martial Artists. These services include:

- ✓ A national and international seminar program to provide expert instruction in the Martial Arts to all members.
- ✓ Fair promotion system for all Martial Arts, based on a schedule of time in grade for each rank which is open and known to all.
- ✓ The finest Junior and Senior National Martial Arts and Law Enforcement Defensive Tactics Training Camps in the country.
- ✓ The most beautiful Life Membership and promotion certificates in the industry.
- ✓ Our outstanding Martial Arts website.: WWW.MARARTS.ORG

Another very important USMA service is the development of superior instructional materials and methods for the teaching of moral values and character development as outlined in the USMA “American Martial Arts Character Achievement Program” (AMCAP), and the USMA “Christian Achievement Through Martial Arts” (CATMA). Through these programs, now in preparation, the USMA will make Martial Arts the leading force in the character development of the American people.

The USMA is also in the process of publishing a series of books and DVDs on the Martial Arts created by O-Sensei Phil Porter and other experts. The first two videos have been created and will be published soon. The first booklet, “Producing Martial Arts Champions,” has already been published and is available from the USMA.

The USMA is the center of American Martial Arts. It is the only organization devoted to all Martial Arts without exception. We are the rallying point for all leaders, whatever their arts, who are devoted to the true spirit of the Martial Arts and who wish the progress and prestige of the Martial Arts to continue to grow.

USMA Structure. Volunteer workers run all USMA activities. The USMA is not a political group. The USMA is governed by a permanent three person Board of Governors, which supervises the structure policies, and finances of the Association. The Board consists of: Dr. Dennis Chu, Mr. Talaat “Tony” Shahin, and Joy T. Porter. All governors serve without pay.

USMA Founder. The Founder of our USMA is O-Sensei Phil Porter, 10th Dan in several Martial Arts and the most successful coach in US Judo history. He has undergone 65 years of training and competition in the Martial Arts, and is the author of many books, videos and DVDs.. His biography may be found on our USMA website: www.mararts.org

USMA Progress. In its first 13 years the USMA grew to over 1,400 clubs, over 10,000 Life Members, and represents over 1,000 different Martial Arts. Further information, DVDs, videos and books may be obtained by contacting the USMA at the mailing address or email address above.