

Miyahara Sensei receives Lifetime Award for Teaching and Promoting Kendo in the USA

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Miyahara Sensei Honored

POWAY, CALIFORNIA, June 25, 2005. At the 2005 Kendo Summer Seminar titled, "Kendo and its development in the United States of America" held at the Meadowbrook Gymnasium, Poway, California, Mr. Maki Miyahara, Kendo 8th Dan Hanshi, received the *Lifetime Award for Teaching and Promoting Kendo in the USA*. The Award recognizes the vital role played by Miyahara Sensei and others of the voluntary and community world and emphasizes the importance of continuing recognition of his work.

In his lecture, Miyahara Sensei covered the development of kendo in the USA from 1932 to the present day. He also gave kendo instructions and practice kendo with many students of varying degrees or ranks, and gave them advice on how to improve.

The San Diego Kendo Club presented the Award. And, here is a small sample of students' comments about Miyahara sensei, after the seminar.

"Miyahara Sensei did a wonderful job! I think that he is a great sensei who enjoys teaching kendo."

"Miyahara Sensei has been one of the most enjoyable sensei I have had in kendo. He is easy to understand and held my attention."

"Great teaching skills. Miyahara sensei was able to communicate and present the instructions clearly and I have taken a lots of notes to take back to my dojo"

A biography of Miyahara sensei is attached.

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