

Chayon Ryu and International Martial Art Organizations

I've often been asked "Why isn't Chayon Ryu affiliated with any of the largely recognized martial arts organizations like the WTF (World Taekwondo Federation) or WKF (World Karate Federation)?" The reasons are many. Mainly because what these organizations strive for, their goals and philosophy do not align with the basic principles of Chayon Ryu.

These large organizations are all sport martial art oriented. They train to create Olympic Champions and for tournament competition. They train to gain pride and glory, to win at all costs. This is not a way of martial that can be practiced for a lifetime, but only by the young. Injuries are common that cause many students to quit. Focus on right mindfulness and attitude is not a consideration. This way of training not only is contrary to the teachings of Chayon Ryu, but of all true traditional martial arts systems.

You don't have to look far on Facebook or any internet search engine to find a school promoting itself proudly displaying some federation or organization certificate. Some are genuine, however many are not. These certificates can be purchased online and customized to look genuinely like those of many organizations. They are meaningless.

If Chayon Ryu were to join one of these entities for recognition, a lifetime of learning and preservation of traditional martial arts, of what many Grandmasters and Masters have taught for hundreds of years would have to be discarded. Chayon Ryu forms would be tossed away and forgotten and replaced with the required Organization forms which often change. Our way of training would no longer be practiced.

Martial art is not only for the young. It's not competing for glory, for pride, to live or die. Martial art is a body science, a lifetime of learning, a way of life. It's a way of improving your life through learning humility, discipline, respect; through training to balance and harmonize your mind and body.

It is our duty to preserve and pass along this knowledge, to help others better their lives though teaching traditional martial arts the natural way. The way of Chayon Ryu.

Sincerely,



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