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**RONIN SHOTOKAN  
KARATE-DO ASSOCIATION**  
*PRESENTS THE 12th ANNUAL*

**THOMAS LAPUPPET  
MEMORIAL CLASSIC**



**JUNE 12  
2011**

**Island Garden Arena**

**45 CHERRY VALLEY AVE,  
WEST HEMPSTED NY 11552**

**CASH & PRIZE for Black Belt Grand Champion**



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# RONIN SHOTOKAN KARATE-DO ASSOCIATION

Founder:  
Grand Master  
**Thomas LaPuppet**  
Est. 1970



April 12, 2011

Dear Sensei:

The Ronin Shotokan Karate-do Association invites you and your students to the twelfth annual Thomas LaPuppet Memorial Classic Karate-do Championships. This invitational event will feature traditional karate-do and World Karate Federation/USA Karate rules and is sanctioned by the USA Karate/USA National Karate-Do Federation and the New York Traditional Karate League (NYTKL). Participants can earn points towards NYTKL athlete rankings and award recognition. You and your school can look forward to good competition in a friendly environment that will honor Sensei LaPuppet's tournament legacy of fairness, order, and safety.

Please note that this year the Thomas LaPuppet Memorial Classic will be held at a new location: The Island Garden Arena, 45 Cherry Valley Avenue, West Hempstead, NY. The tournament will take place on Sunday, June 12, 2011, and will begin promptly at 9:30 a.m. with the kobudo divisions. The children's divisions 10 years old and under will immediately follow.

Pre-registration is mandatory for this event. No applications or competition fees will be accepted on the day of the tournament. To avoid a \$15.00 administrative fee, applications and competition fees must be received by Wednesday, June 8, 2011. The final deadline for all applications and fees is Friday, June 10, 2011. Enclosed are tournament application, tournament information, hotel information and directions; please feel free to make additional copies as necessary.

We hope that you and your students can join with us for this annual event and participate as competitors, officials, and spectators. If you have any questions, please contact us at the telephone number listed below or by e-mail to <roninkaratedo@aol.com>.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cedric Barksdale".

Cedric Barksdale  
Tournament Director



# **THE THOMAS LAPUPPET MEMORIAL CLASSIC** **TRADITIONAL KARATE-DO CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**Date & Time:** Sunday, June 12, 2011 at 9:30 A.M. Sharp

PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY: Applications must be received by: June 8th. An administrative late fee of \$15.00 will be charged for applications received after the June 8th. Final deadline for application is June 10<sup>th</sup>.

**SEND APPLICATIONS TO:**

RONIN SHOTOKAN KARATE-DO ASSOCIATION

P.O. BOX 100655

BROOKLYN, NEW YORK 11210-0655

Certified Checks or Money Orders should be made payable to:

Ronin Shotokan Karate-Do Association, **All fees are non-refundable**

**Place:** Island Garden Arena

45 Cherry Valley Ave

West Hempsted, New York, 11552

**Fee:** One Event \$55, Two Events: \$60.00, Three Events: \$70.00

**Eligibility:** This is an Invitational Tournament

**Awards:** First, Second and Third Places will receive awards. Grand Champion Award and Cash 18-34 Black Belt Division.

**haOrder of Events:** 1) All Kobudo Divisions

2) Children's Divisions

3) All Adult Divisions

4) All Black Belt Divisions: **18 years old and older will start at 11:30 A.M**

**Dress Code:** Competitors:

- Solid white karate gi
- No jewelry during competition
- Head gear, hand mitts and feet pads are mandatory for children's divisions
- Hand mitts and feet pads for adult divisions
- Mouth guards and groin protectors are mandatory for all divisions

Referees:

- White shirt, blue tie, gray slacks and blue jacket

**Rules:** Kata:

- All contestants must perform Japanese or Okinawan Kata
- Beginner and intermediate divisions (10<sup>th</sup> Kyu to 4<sup>th</sup> Kyu) must perform appropriate kata. No black belt kata allowed.
- All advanced divisions (3<sup>rd</sup> Kyu to Black Belt) may perform any Kata
- Only-traditional weapons (Bo, Sai, Tonfa, Eku, Jo) are allowed
- Due to New York State Law: NO NUNCHAKU or KAMA (SICKLES)

Kumite:

- MODIFIED WKF and NKF RULES

**Tournament Director: Cedric Barksdale**

**Chief Referee: Cleveland Baxter**

**Administrative Coordinator: Pauline Gambuto**



# Thomas LaPuppet Memorial Classic

Sunday June 12, 2011

Presented by:

**Ronin Shotokan Karate-Do Association**

**Registration Form (Please print and fill in completely.)**

Name.....Age.....Gender.....

Belt/Rank.....Height.....Weight.....

Address.....State.....Zip.....Your E-mail.....

Home Telephone.....Work Telephone.....

Sensei/Dojo.....Style.....Dojo Telephone.....

Dojo Address.....State.....Zip.....E-mail.....

***I wish to compete in: (Please fill in division numbers from the chart.)***

Forms – F - \_\_\_\_

Sparring – S - \_\_\_\_

Weapons – W - \_\_\_\_

**Entry Fees:**

One Event: \_\_\_\_\_ \$55.00

Two Events: \_\_\_\_\_ \$60.00

Three Events: \_\_\_\_\_ \$70.00

Late Registration (after June 8<sup>th</sup>), add \$15 \_\_\_\_\_

Two or more members of the same family, 10% discount

Please make all payment payable to:

**Ronin Shotokan Karate-Do Association**

**P.O. Box 100655**

**Brooklyn, NY 11210-0665**

**Fax: (718) 434-0201**

**NOTE:** No personal checks (Cash, Certified Checks, Money Orders only)

**Waiver:**

I, the undersigned do hereby volunteer my application for the attendance and participation in the Thomas LaPuppet Memorial Classic Championship at the Island Garden Arena on June 12, 2011, do hereby assume full responsibility for all injuries, damages, or losses that I may sustain or incur, if any, while attending/participating. I do hereby waive all claims against members of the Ronin Shotokan Karate-Do Association and Island Garden Arena individually or otherwise, for any claims or injuries I may sustain. I fully understand that any medical treatment given to me will be first-aid type only. I certify that I am in good health and without injuries or physical disabilities. I consent that any pictures furnished by me or taken of me in connection with the Championships can be used for publicity, promotion, or television showing and waive compensation in regard thereto. I further agree to conduct myself with decorum in the spirit of Karate-Do.

Signature.....Date.....

Parent/Guardian (under 18).....



**2011 Thomas LaPuppet Memorial Classic**  
**Invitational Karate Championship**  
 Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011

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| <b>Weapons Forms</b><br>Children 12 & under  | W1 Beg<br>W2 Int.<br>W3 Adv.                     | <b>14-15 (Boys)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black  | F41 / S41<br>F42 / S42<br>F43 / S43<br>F44 / S44              |
| <b>Weapons Forms</b><br>Teens 13-17  | W4 Beg.<br>W5 Int.<br>W6 Adv.                    | <b>14-15 (Girls)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black   | F45 / S45<br>F46 / S46<br>F47 / S47<br>F48 / S48              |
| <b>Weapons Forms</b><br>Adults 18+   | W7 Beg.<br>W8 Int.<br>W9 Adv.                    | <b>16-17 (Boys)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black  | F49 / S49<br>F50 / S50<br>F51 / S51<br>F52 / S52              |
| <b>5 &amp; Under (Boys)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black  | F1 / S1<br>F2 / S2<br>F3 / S3<br>F4 / S4         | <b>16-17 (Girls)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black   | F53 / S53<br>F54 / S54<br>F55 / S55<br>F56 / S56              |
| <b>5 &amp; Under (Girls)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black | F5 / S5<br>F6 / S6<br>F7 / S7<br>F8 / S8         | <b>18-34 (Men)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown  | F57 / S57<br>F58 / S58<br>F59 / S59                           |
| <b>6-7 (Boys)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black            | F9 / S9<br>F10 / S10<br>F11 / S11<br>F12 / S12   | <b>18-34 (Women)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown  | F60 / S60<br>F61 / S61<br>F62 / S62                           |
| <b>6-7 (Girls)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black           | F13 / S13<br>F14 / S14<br>F15 / S15<br>F16 / S16 | <b>35 &amp; Over (Men)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black                                       | F63 / S63<br>F64 / S64<br>F65 / S65<br>F66 / S66              |
| <b>8-9 (Boys)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black            | F17 / S17<br>F18 / S18<br>F19 / S19<br>F20 / S20 | <b>35 &amp; Over (Women)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black                                     | F67 / S67<br>F68 / S68<br>F69 / S69<br>F70 / S70              |
| <b>8-9 (Girls)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black           | F21 / S21<br>F22 / S22<br>F23 / S23<br>F24 / S24 | <b>45 &amp; Over (Men)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black                                       | F71/S71<br>F72/S72<br>F73/S73<br>F74/S74                      |
| <b>10-11 (Boys)</b><br>White, Yellow Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black           | F25/ S25<br>F26 / S26<br>F27 / S27<br>F28 / S28  | <b>45 &amp; Over (Women)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black                                     | F75/S75<br>F76/S76<br>F77/S77<br>F78/F78                      |
| <b>10-11 (Girls)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black         | F29 / S29<br>F30 / S30<br>F31 / S31<br>F32 / S32 | <b>18-34 (Black Belt)</b><br>Women Forms<br>Women -132 Pounds<br>Women +132 Pounds   | F79<br>S79 L<br>S79 H   |
| <b>12-13 (Boys)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black          | F33 / S33<br>F34 / S34<br>F35 / S35<br>F36 / S36 | <b>18-34 (Black Belt)</b><br>Men (Japanese Forms)<br>Men (Okinawan Forms)<br>Men -154 Pounds<br>Men -175 Pounds<br>Men +176 Pounds | F80 J<br>F80 O<br>S80 L<br>S80 M<br>S80 H                     |
| <b>12-13 (Girls)</b><br>White, Yellow, Orange<br>Blue, Green, Purple<br>Brown<br>Black         | F37 / S37<br>F38 / S38<br>F39 / S39<br>F40 / S40 | The Director of the event has the right to divide or combine any division if necessary.  | <b>W - Weapons</b><br><b>F - Forms</b><br><b>S - Sparring</b> |



## 2011 Thomas LaPuppet Memorial Classic



### Directions to Island Garden Arena

45 Cherry Valley Avenue, West Hempstead, NY 11552

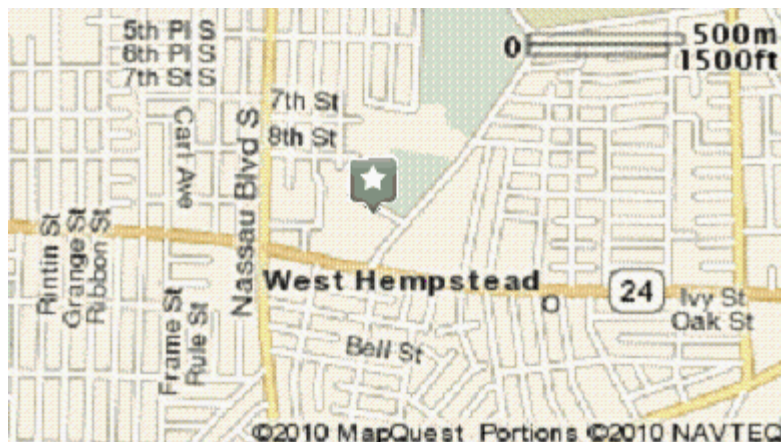
Phone: 516-292-4956

**FROM THE EAST** - Southern State Parkway to Exit 17N (Hempstead Ave). Go north following signs for Nassau Blvd. Take Nassau Blvd to Hempstead Tpke. and make a right. Take Hempstead Tpke. to Cherry Valley Ave (one block) and make a left. Island Garden is 100 yards north of Hempstead Tpke. on Cherry Valley Avenue.

**FROM THE WEST** - Belt Parkway, LIE or Grand Central to Cross Island Parkway. Take Cross Island to Hempstead Tpke. (Ave.) east. Take Hempstead Tpke. through Elmont and Franklin Square to one block past Nassau Blvd which is Cherry Valley Ave. Make a left and Island Garden is 100 yards on the left. OR LIE, Grand Central or Northern State Parkway to New Hyde Park Road south. Proceeds all the way to Hempstead Tpke. and make a left. Proceed to Cherry Valley Ave and make a left.

**FROM THE NORTHEAST** - New Hyde Park Rd South exit of either LIE or Grand Central Pkway. Follow directions immediately above.

**FROM THE THROGS NECK OR WHITESTONE BRIDGES**- Take Cross Island Parkway south to Hempstead Tpke. (Ave) east. Follow Hempstead Tpke. to Cherry Valley Ave and make a left.





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This hotel has rooms reserved for the 2011 Thomas LaPuppet Memorial Classic sponsored by the N.Y.T.K.L. at the rate of \$105.99 plus taxes per person per night. This reservation is for a Single or Double room. The reservation includes continental breakfast with a hot waffle station.

Please use the following code.  
**NYTKL6**

Guests please use this number to make reservations by May 15<sup>th</sup> between the hours of 10:00 AM and 8:00 PM seven days a week. Ask for reservations and use the code given above. If you do not use this code you will not be in the reserved block.

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