

D'Arbonne Martial Arts Has Best World Championships Ever!



This year's United States Karate Alliance World Karate Championship tournament was held at the Dallas Hotel Intercontinental Hotel Convention Center in Dallas, Tx. from Thursday July 22th through Sunday July 25th. D'Arbonne Martial Arts sent a team of 19 competitors to the tournament and our students were incredibly successful, making this our best World tournament ever. The tournament included competitors from 17 countries including the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Australia, Argentina, Chile, Trinidad, Jamaica, and Spain and a wide variety of martial arts styles. This year's overall Forms World Champion was Jeff Crothers from Riverside, California and the overall Men's Sparring World Champion was Adrian Galvan from Dallas, Texas. The Women's overall World Champion was Jenna Brown of Dallas, Texas. The overall Weapons Champion was Greg Holmes from Phoenix, Arizona.

The DMA team highlights included Logan Rhodes, who won 7 titles out of 7 divisions in the young women's Intermediate divisions. Sensei McPherson won the Black Belt Master's weapons championship and was on the 1st place Master's Fighting Team. Bethany Rhodes won the young women's Continuous Sparring division. Georgia Booth won the Teen Chanbara division and Brantley Turnage won Intermediate Koshiki. Wesley Edwards won the Teen Advanced Chanbara division. Connor Dennett and Grace Nyegaard both won their forms divisions. Some of our students are gaining experience on a World or National level and this is their 2nd or 3rd competition at this level, while others are trying this level of competition for the first time. Our students did very well and this year we gained 24 World titles in various divisions. We look forward to some more big winners in the future.

The table below details all of our team's results.



McPherson's D'Arbonne Martial Arts

BeDoit, Gabriel	3rd 6-7 M/F Advanced Kumite 3rd Advanced Chanbara
Booth, Georgia	1st Advanced Chanbara 3rd 14-15 Advanced Koshiki 1st Team Kumite
Dennett, Connor	1st 12-13 M/F Beg Kata 2nd Beginning Chanbara 3rd 12-13 Boys Beginning Kumite 2nd 14-15 Beginning Continuous Kumite 1st 14-15 Beginning Ippon Kumite
Edwards, Wesley	3rd Teen 14-17 Weapons 2nd 16-17 Boys Advanced Kumite 1st Advanced Chanbara 1st 16-17 Advanced Ippon Kumite 1st Team Kumite
Lee, Bethany	4th Intermediate Chanbara 3rd 12-13 Advanced Koshiki 2nd 12-13 Girls Advanced Kumite 4th 12-13 Advanced Ippon Kumite 1st Team Kumite
Lee, Jeff	2nd 16-17 Boys Advanced Kumite 2nd 16-17 Advanced Koshiki 2nd Intermediate Chanbara 1st 16-17 Intermediate Ippon Kumite 1st Team Kumite
McPherson, Kristin	2nd Teen 14-17 Weapons 4th 14-15 Girls Advanced Kumite
McPherson, Rodney	3rd Black Belt Men Kata 1st Black Belt Men Weapons 2nd Black Belt Men Kumite 1st Team Kumite
Nyegaard, Aleck	3rd Adult Kyu Weapons 3rd Brown Belt Men Kata
Nyegaard, Dee	2nd Brown Belt Women Kata

Nyegaard, Garrett	4th 12-13 M/F Advanced Kata
Nyegaard, Grace	1st 10-11 M/F Intermediate Kata
Odom, Jake	2nd Youth 10-13 Weapons
Rhodes, Bethany	4th 14-15 Advanced Koshiki 2nd Advanced Chanbara 2nd 14-15 Advanced Continuous Kumite 2nd 14-15 Advanced Ippon Kumite 1st Team Kumite
Rhodes, David	1st Intermediate Chanbara
Rhodes, Logan	1st Teen 14-17 Weapons 1st Advanced Chanbara 1st 14-15 M/F Advanced Kata 1st 14-15 Advanced Koshiki 1st 14-15 Girls Advanced Kumite 1st 14-15 Advanced Ippon Kumite 1st 14-15 Advanced Continuous Kumite 3rd Team Weapons
Rhodes, Melissa	1st Advanced Chanbara 2nd Brown Belt Women Ippon Kumite
Turnage, Brantley	1st 10-11 Intermediate Koshiki 3rd Intermediate Chanbara 3rd 10-11 Girls Advanced Kumite 4th 10-11 Advanced Ippon Kumite 3rd Team Weapons 2nd Team Kumite
Wilkins, Lance	3rd Team Weapons

As a result of the great success that our students have had in tournaments across the country this past year – D’Arbonne Martial Arts ranks as the 8th Place Team Nationally in the United States Karate Alliance.



Our students will be competing in the Professional Karate Commission International tournament in Indianapolis, Indiana over the Labor Day weekend, as well as several other state and local tournaments throughout the year.

We are now accepting new students throughout September and look forward to building and even stronger team in the coming year. Come and join us at our new location – 108 S. Main Street in Farmerville of for more information visit us on the web at www.darbornemartialarts.com

