

SiJo Waysun “Johnny” Tsai



Waysun Johnny Tsai is the founder of C.U.M.A. (Combined Universal Martial Applications), Global Chief Instructor for C.U.M.A., Practical Tactical Training and “THE A.R.C.” (All Range Combat).

SiJo (founder) Waysun “Johnny” Tsai was born of both Taiwanese and Puerto Rican descent on April 11, 1972. He began his official Martial Arts training over 32 years ago on the north side of Chicago under his father, Shaolin Grandmaster John Chi Yuan Tsai. At the age of sixteen, SiJo Tsai received his first level black sash certification in Tsai Family Chuan Fa Kung Fu and Tai Kit Kuen Kung Fu under Master Steven G. Abbate.

Between the ages of sixteen and nineteen SiJo went on to run three different locations of his father’s schools as the Chief Instructor. It was then that Sijo began to travel extensively around the globe with his father in order to train with and participate in many seminars with some of the greatest names in the martial arts.

“Sijo” Tsai is considered to be one of the world’s foremost and **progressive** experts in **practical street defense** today. While he **NO LONGER** teaches the TRADITIONAL martial arts, he does hold two separate 8th degree rankings (Senior Master) in the Chinese Martial Arts. He is also the founder of C.U.M.A. (Combined Universal Martial Applications) and the A.R.C. (All Range Combat) reality based fighting program. Outside of teaching the combat arts SIJO has spent the past 20 years working in the private security sector. CUMA COMBATIVES has been widely accepted among the Knife, Tactical, Military and Law Enforcement communities.

Even as highly accredited CQC instructor, Tsai considers himself the “Eternal Student” and attends as many courses on Urban Survival, Tactical Firearms, Law Enforcement and Military Combatives as his schedule will permit.

Waysun Johnny Tsai has served as an USAWKF committee member (www.usawkf.org) for full contact San Shou (2007-2008) and has over 32 years of experience in teaching the martial arts. Since 2006, his teachings have reached more than 500,000 people via live training, books, magazines, television, DVD and other online media outlets including You Tube, WNUR SCOPE RADIO (Northwestern University) www.scoperadio.com and the WGN Channel 9 Morning news segment (Around Here, April 2010).

Some of Waysun Johnny Tsai's most recognizable students include: Congressman Jesse Jackson Jr and AT&T Cotton Bowl hall of fame player Kris Haines (retired Chicago Bears).



Published Books:

- Practical Kung Fu Street Defense (Random House/Triumph Books, Spring 2008, www.triumphbooks.com)

Published DVDs:

- Combat Kung Fu Series: Shadow Palm (Beckett Media/Unique Publications) Summer 2007
- Combat Kung Fu Series: Defensive Concepts and Applications (Beckett Media/Unique Publications) Summer 2007
- Volume One: Practical Tactical Pen Street Defense (TKFI) June 2009
- Volume Two: Practical Tactical Impact And Edged Weapons (TKFI) January 2010
- Volume Three: Practical Tactical All Range Combat (TKFI) January 2011
- The Practical Tactical Schrade Pen (Taylor Brands LLC) Summer 2010
- The Essential SWAT Baton (Taylor Brands LLC) Summer 2011

Additional Products Designed by Waysun Johnny Tsai:

- The C.U.M.A. RAM "Executive" Tactical Pen (www.cumaram.com)
- The C.U.M.A. RAM "SLEEK" Tactical Pen (www.cumaram.com)
- The C.U.M.A. EVOLUTION 6" Fixed Blade (www.topsknives.com)
- The C.U.M.A. TAK-RI 13" Fixed Blade (www.topsknives.com)
- The C.U.M.A. HISS Neck Knife (www.topsknives.com)

- The C.U.M.A. BATTLE CLEAVER Fixed Blade (www.smkw.com) Available early 2013
- **ALL CUMA BRANDED PRODUCTS ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH OUR CUMA GEAR SHOP**

Sijo currently writes and contributes monthly and quarterly columns for:

- <http://www.lauraburgessmarketing.com>
- <http://www.survivalq.com>
- <http://www.combatnetworkmag.com>
- <http://trainerscommandpost.wordpress.com/>

Recent Awards:

- 1st Place Expert / Black Belt Self Defense Division/ Scored 9.9 & Perfect 10 (Gen-Ki 30th Annual Tournament 2011...SIJO's Final Competition won him a nice 6 foot trophy)
- Awarded into 2010 Action Magazine HOF (Jan 2010)

Filmography:

- Motel 666 (Evan-<http://www.kachifilms.com> 2012)
- Tinderbox (Asset- www.powerforwardfilms.com 2010)
- Book of Swords (Thug/Ninja-2005) Available on dvd

Press:

- Survival Quarterly Magazine (Ongoing since 2011)
- Pro-Securite (France) Feb & October 2011
- Tactical Knives Magazine (CUMA TAK-RI) Nov 2012
- Tactical Knives Magazine (CUMA EVOLUTION) July 2011
- Inside kung fu Magazine (With Kris Haines) August, 2010.
- Inside kung fu Magazine (WJT's Practical Tactical Pen, Feb 2010)
- Inside Kung Fu Magazine (TKFI 45th Anniversary Article, October 2009)
- Inside Kung Fu Magazine (Blazing His Own Path, Nov 2008)
- Inside Kung Fu magazine (Cover Story, May 2007)
- Inside Kung Fu magazine (with Jesse Jackson, Jr. May 2006)
- Inside Kung Fu magazine (Cover Story, March 2006)
- Art Of The Warrior magazine (November 2009)
- Art of the Warrior magazine (Cover article, February 2007)
- Art of the Warrior magazine (Cover article, August 2006)
- Art of the Warrior magazine (Cover article, March 2006)
- The Beverly Review: Health and Fitness Special (Jan 2008)

- Chicago Minority Journal (Southside S Kung Fu/ May 2007)
- Chicago Loop News (It's Time For self Defense 2006)
- 14 minute report on KBC/ Asian American News (October 2006)
- 12 minute feature report on KBC/Asian American News (Lenny Kim, Reporter; February 2006)

Current Product Sponsors Include:

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 - TOPS Knives
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