

2022 North East Open

Martial Arts Competition & Showcase

August 13th 2022 * Albany Capital Center, Albany NY www.NorthEastOpen.com

Dear Instructors, Athletes, Parents and Friends,

It gives me great pleasure to invite you to the 16th Annual North East Open Tournament & Showcase to be held on August 13th 2022 at the Albany Capital Center in Albany, NY.

I am very excited to now be in our sixteenth year! After two years of a modified event plan due to the pandemic, I am ecstatic to announce that we are bringing back the NEO this year in full scope and extravagance! Excitement in the community is high and we are hoping for and expecting an amazing turnout as we bring back this annual tradition!

The event will continue to bring together athletes of different training backgrounds. Rather than offering a competition with the attitude of "finding out who is best," the goal of our tournament is to open up competitors eyes to the beauty and strength of all different styles of martial arts.

Since its inception in 2007, the North East Open has established itself as a premier showcase of Martial Arts talent in the Northeastern United States by developing a unique tournament atmosphere which focuses on celebration instead of competition. The NEO is committed to Martial Arts excellence, camaraderie, sportsmanship, and cultural enlightenment. The NEO strives to be the annual event for enthusiasts of traditional and sport Martial Arts to meet, network and create lasting friendships.

It is my goal to continue to make this an event that brings together the martial arts community, and to bring the regions most anticipated annual Martial Arts event to new heights by improving every year! Schools, students and instructors from all styles and backgrounds can come together and meet and share with one another in a full day of martial art festivities, competition, demonstrations, camaraderie and networking.

Competition events will include traditional, creative and team forms & weapons, sparring, demonstration team competition, open and power breaking. The breaking events will be sanctioned by the United States Breaking Association and the World Breaking Association.

With your support and participation, the North East Open will continue to grow to be one of the largest and best events on the east coast. I sincerely hope that you will be able to participate and help us to make this truly a celebration, with a gathering of the regions finest martial artists. If you have any further questions, comments or concerns, please feel free to call or email. Looking forward to seeing you at the North East Open.

Sincerely,

Adam Grogin

Master Adam Grogin Tournament Director