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TAIJI JIAN 32-POSTURE SWORD FORM

Singing Dragon Written by an experienced teacher of Taijiquan, this book provides a detailed description of the Jian (the sword), its parts and how it should be held. Using photographs and illustrations, the author gives step-by-step instructions for the main 13 applications including sword strokes, stances and footwork techniques.

TAI CHI THIRTEEN SWORD

A SWORD MASTER'S MANUAL

Action Pursuit Group This is the most comprehensive book in English dealing with tai chi's exotic "thirteen sword" form. The author reviews the history, fundamentals and applications of this form, and presents illustrations of famous masters demonstrating tai chi sword techniques.

CHEN WEI MING'S TAIJI SWORD VOLUME II ~ ANNOTATIONS

A COLLECTION OF TEACHINGS AND ANNOTATIONS FROM MASTERS CHEN WEI-MING AND FU ZHONG-WEN

Book contains: Over 170 old photos and drawings, and 176 pages on the old Yang family Taiji (Tai-Chi) Sword practices of Master Chen Wei-Ming (1881-1958) as taught to his disciples. This book is a collection of these rare teachings as collected by Bradford Tyrey while studying in Shanghai under Master Fu Zhong-Wen (1903-1994), classmate and student under Master Chen. Our translated book *Taiji (Tai-Chi) Sword ~ Volume (I)*, authored by Master Chen Wei-Ming, provides a traditional overview, yet authoritative approach to practicing each posture of the sword form that Grandmaster Yang Cheng-Fu (1883-1936) and other Yang family elders had taught to Master Chen, as well as to Master Fu. Volume (I) is necessary to read in order to more fully understand *Taiji (Tai-Chi) Sword ~ Volume (II)* which details: the Original 13 Sword Teachings, writings on the Eight Immortals, Master Chen Wei-Ming's original explanation of how to perform each posture, annotations on the practice and meaning of each posture, clarification of meanings by Master Fu Zhong-Wen, hidden skills taught within postures, philosophical meanings of postures, and more. It is important to note that Master Chen is recognized as Grandmaster Sun Lu-T'ang's first official disciple. Though this sword book covers Yang family Taiji (Tai-Chi) sword, Master Chen still details some of the teachings that he learned from Grandmaster Sun. This is an absolutely essential book in providing deep insight into the old traditional practices of Chinese sword. Rare photos, drawings, and explanations make this book a true treasure to collect.

THE TAIJIQUAN CLASSICS

AN ANNOTATED TRANSLATION

North Atlantic Books Along with Chinese art, medicine, and philosophy, taijiquan has left the confines of its original culture, and offers health, relaxation, and a method of self-defense to people around the globe. Using the early texts now known as *The Taijiquan Classics* which have served as a touchstone for t'ai chi practitioners for 150 years, this book explores the fundamental ideas and what they mean to practitioners, students, and scholars. It also incorporates newly discovered sources that address the history of taijiquan and newly translated commentaries by Chen Weiming.

THE COMPLETE TAIJI DAO

THE ART OF THE CHINESE SABER

Blue Snake Books The dao, a single-edged sword with a curved blade, is one of the most popular weapons in traditional Chinese martial arts. The art of Taiji Dao is a set of skills for using the dao, derived from the popular martial art Taijiquan. One of the most important aspects of Taijiquan practice is weapons training, eagerly pursued by students who have become adept in the basic skills of the art. The *Complete Taiji Dao* introduces the principles and practice of Taiji Dao and provides illustrated discussions of the history of Chinese swords. The book covers the history and features of the dao; the Taiji principles from which Taiji Dao practice derives; the basic skills and techniques of the art; detailed descriptions and photographs of the traditional Taiji Dao form; and Taiji Dao fighting principles and training methods. Broad in scope and detailed in its presentation of the principles and practice of Taiji Dao, *The Complete Taiji Dao* represents a significant contribution to the field of traditional Chinese weapons practice.

TAI CHI SWORD CLASSICAL YANG STYLE

THE COMPLETE FORM, QIGONG, AND APPLICATIONS

Beyond the Barehand Form, beyond the Qigong, lies the elegant and effective Sword of Taijiquan! Learn to extend your Qi, enhance your art and refine your self. This comprehensive guide contains not only the complete Taiji Sword Form and Taiji Sword Qigong Set, but also seldom taught sword fighting applications and matching exercises. More than just a "how-to", this book also contains theory, history and a complete guide to fundamentals--all essential to building a deep, understanding of this art, long considered to be the highest achievement in Taijiquan, as well as the most popular of the Taiji weapons. Strengthen and relax your body. Calm and focus your mind. Improve your balance. Develop proper Taiji breathing. Learn the complete Sword Form and Taiji Sword Qigong. Over 400 photos with detailed instruction.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF TAI CHI CHUAN

WISDOM FROM CONFUCIUS, LAO TZU, AND OTHER GREAT THINKERS

Blue Snake Books The essence of Tai Chi Chuan lies in the rich philosophy of ancient China. While most Tai Chi practitioners are aware of the value that studying Chinese philosophy can bring to their practice, it is often difficult to pick out those texts that are most relevant to Tai Chi and connected to its development. *The Philosophy of Tai Chi Chuan* presents, for the first time, a concise overview of the Chinese martial and spiritual philosophies that drive this ancient tradition. Authors Freya and Martin Boedicker, who teach Tai Chi throughout Europe and South Africa, present freshly translated excerpts from such popular and widely studied works as the *Tao Te Ching*, the *I Ching*, and *The Art of War*, as well as writings by philosophers and strategists such as Zhuangzi and Wuzi. Each chapter of this concise volume focuses on a single work or philosopher, and includes a short history of each one as well as a description of their relevance to Tai Chi. An extensive glossary of important Chinese terms rounds out the book. *The Philosophy of Tai Chi Chuan* offers readers a direct connection with the concepts that form the foundation of Tai Chi, inspiring a deeper understanding of the art and its applications.

SWORD IMPERATIVES

MASTERING THE KUNG FU AND TAI CHI SWORD

Createspace Independent Publishing Platform "Sword Imperatives is a beautifully written book with captivating stories, clearly described movements, photos, and illustrations." The Chinese double edged sword is known in martial arts traditions as the king of blades. It is regarded by both scholars and martial artists as the most distinguished of all weapons. Sword ownership in ancient China represented power, prestige and rank. *Sword Imperatives* is the authoritative reference book dedicated to the proper and effective use of the double edged sword. Whether you practice sword for health or for martial arts, you will find this book the foremost guide to mastery in sword skills. With practice, you will be able to move the sword in perfect balance and harmony like an agile phoenix twisting and turning effortlessly with grace and power. This book includes: * Brief philosophy and history of sword development * 29 essential sword movements and drills * Green Dragon Kung Fu Sword routine * 32 Posture Tai Chi Sword routine

THE MAJOR METHODS OF WUDANG SWORD

Blue Snake Books Originally published in Chinese in 1930, *The Major Methods of Wudang Sword* has become a contemporary classic in the field of traditional Chinese martial arts. Written by Huang Yuan Xiou, the disciple of Li Jing-Lin—China's most celebrated sword practitioner—this edition now introduces English readers to the fascinating world of traditional Chinese swordplay. Immensely popular in China, *Wudang sword* contains within its techniques the essence of the internal martial arts of Taiji Quan, Xingyi Quan, and Bagua Zhang. Unlike other books of its time, *The Major Methods of Wudang Sword* explores the practical application of its techniques rather than simply introducing a solo form. This helps readers and students of any style and background discover new insights and gain new approaches to personal practice. The book also emphasizes the internal aspects of swordfighting, including mental and meditative techniques. Translated by Dr. Lu Mei-hui and with expert commentary by Master Chang Wu Na—two contemporary disciples of Wudang sword—and featuring dozens of black and white photos from the original Chinese edition, *The Major Methods of Wudang Sword* unlocks the secrets of Wudang swordplay for both novice and advanced practitioners.

TAIJI NOTEBOOK FOR MARTIAL ARTISTS

ESSAYS BY A YANG FAMILY TAIJIQUAN PRACTITIONER

"*Taiji Notebook for Martial Artists, Essays by a Yang Family Taijiquan Practitioner*" by Scott M. Rodell is a highly readable and informative account of the author's realizations and understandings, internal and martial, acquired over decades of committed study. Rodell eloquently addresses and explains many of the subtle sticking points that he has experienced in practice and that other practitioners frequently encounter in their training. The gems found in this book will prove to be an invaluable resource for any t'ai chi chuan practitioner who wishes to deepen their understanding and experience of the art.

LAOSHI'S LEGACY: EMERGENCE FROM SHADOW

Via Media Publishing A few years ago, I sought to record a few memories and observations gleaned on the way from beginner to senior student. The result was 'Laoshi: Tai Chi, Teachers, and Pursuit of Principle'—a semi-fictional memoir, using the device of dialogue between student and teacher, to examine the agony and elation of sincerely pursuing the art of taiji. The thirty-seven chapters of 'Laoshi' shone light on the various aspects of taiji and martial arts which occupied my thinking as I progressed along the Way. Laoshi, which translates as 'teacher' in Mandarin, was the main character of the book and, though not a real person, represented the best aspects of the many martial artists whose skills, dedication, and wisdom inspired me in my attempts to match their example. As a wise and compassionate though sometimes irritable teacher, Laoshi guides his student, the narrator, through many disappointments and false dawns until the student arrives, if not at mastery, then the fertile ground where mastery grows. The present volume, 'Laoshi's Legacy', takes up where the previous account left off; the student moves beyond his pre-occupation with his own progress to explore the terrain occupied by the teacher. The Way of the teacher, we discover, not only offers insight and reward aplenty, but is every bit as confounding and, often, more treacherous than the path of the student. With the example of my own teachers once again embodied in the character of Laoshi, 'Legacy' describes the challenges encountered in progressing beyond the role of student to survey the art from the viewpoint of teacher. As in the previous volume, Laoshi, the teacher, continues as guide and mentor, advising the novice instructor confronted with the reality of teaching taiji in a modern world. Like its predecessor, 'Legacy' relies heavily on allegory, mirroring the paradoxical nature of life, where truth is often hidden in myth, and deception disguises itself as truth. A touch of poetic licence may stretch the truth a little to accommodate the narrative, but 'Legacy' is a realistic portrayal of dilemmas faced while pursuing the Way of the teacher. READERS' COMMENTS "As the torch of teaching taijiquan is passed to the next generation of teachers, the problems and questions that arise are discussed in Laoshi's Legacy by Jan Kauskas. This book is filled with amusing anecdotes and lessons that Professor Cheng Man-ch'ing taught his students that still resonate today." — MARTIN INN, co-translator of *The Essence of T'ai Chi Ch'uan* "The nutrient-dense insights in each chapter will make you want to linger and digest, and the unfolding human story will make you want to turn the page for the next exciting episode. Readers may come for the taijiquan lessons and lineage lore, but will stay for the life lessons and wisdom. Literary flair and Scottish wit make it an instructive, inspirational, and irresistible read. Those who read this book without tears, laughter, and lots of a-ha moments are probably not ready for it." DOUGLAS WILE, author of *Zheng Manqing's Uncollected Writings* "Laoshi's Legacy does not disappoint. Kauskas sagely and engagingly counsels readers in vicarious fashion through the guise of conversations between himself and his teacher (the sagacious Laoshi) in the important nuances of taijiquan philosophy and technique, often addressing with deft candor important real-world issues not found in other popular books. A must-read for all taijiquan teachers and students. — JOHN LOUPOS, author of *Tai Chi Connections: Advancing Your Tai Chi Experience* "Jan Kauskas . . . writes well and has meditated on the words he presents here. His Laoshi answers all questions and offers stories anecdotes and spiritual knowledge in the Daoist tradition. Readers will benefit from these words . . ." — KENNETH VAN SICKLE, author of *Tai Chi Sword* and *Tai Chi Feather Sword DVD*

TAI CHI ODYSSEY, VOL. 2

HISTORY AND PRACTICE METHODS

Via Media Publishing As a digital edition, this two-volume anthology offers not only a handy historical overview of taijiquan history, but most chapters focus on actual practice. Guidance is provided through Carol Derrickson's discussions on taijiquan classic writings as well as from other highly experienced instructors in their own chapters. Dr. Linda Lehrhaupt's chapter inspires one to practice by explaining how mental changes occur in a student during initial weeks of classes. Although most taiji classes are offered by individuals in their own schools, a number of classes are also offered in academic settings. Andrew Peck gives a fine example of how taiji is taught in a university setting. Other authors present subtle aspects of practice—be it eye movement, circles that exist even in movements that appear to be liner, benefits derived from solo and group practice, or the too often elusive element of relaxation. All these chapters will prove valuable to anyone wishing to improve their quality of practice and thus to reap more health benefits taiji has to offer. The same embodied principles can be utilized in martial applications. Peter Lim wrote two chapters. In one he details general taiji principles that are put into the practice, while in the other chapter he looks specifically at how the principles can be applied in combat. His chapters provide a solid foundation for better understanding tuishou, the two-person push-hands practice that Herman Kaus and Hal Mosher (with the help of Allen Pittman) discuss. Greg Wolfson (with the help of Scott Rodell) writes about push-hands and sanshou—a high-level two-person practice of combative training. Russ Mason's short but pertinent chapter samples two favorite techniques: wardoff and diagonal flying. The chapters by Donald Mainfort and Joel Stein are relatively unique in that they look at the variety of taiji forms—contrasting the original Chen Style with the Yang Style, and the large and medium frames—helping us better understand how and why routines differ, and which may be better suited for particular individuals. As a result, we can also see why movements from different styles can blend into anyone's practice. Comprised of articles previously published in the *Journal of Asian Martial Arts*—we are highly optimistic that you will find something on each page of this anthology to be of great use in your understanding and practice.

CULTIVATING QI

AN INTRODUCTION TO CHINESE BODY-MIND ENERGETICS

North Atlantic Books While Chinese acupuncture and herbalism enjoy widespread popularity in the West, traditional Chinese exercise techniques—with the exception of qi gong—have rarely been taught outside China. This book is designed to change that. Written by Jun Wang, a doctor of Chinese medicine, *Cultivating Qi* draws on classic Chinese texts to introduce these body-mind healing exercises to Western readers. In simple, accessible language, Wang presents three specific qi exercises: the Yijin Jing, a popular form of calisthenics associated with both Chinese Buddhist and Daoist traditions; Taiji Neigong, a series of 34 movements adapted from the Wu-Hao style of Taiji Quan; and the "Six Healing Breaths," which combines spoken sounds with movements associated with the six major vital organs of Chinese medicine. Written for beginning students of Chinese medicine as well as laypersons, healthcare practitioners, and martial artists, *Cultivating Qi* includes clear explanations of Chinese medical terminology—and provides the original Chinese characters for more advanced students—as well as step-by-step instruction in the three exercises. Accompanied by 100 photographs, these exercises are suitable for all ages and activity levels, and most of them take no more than 10 to 15 minutes to complete.

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SUN STYLE TAI CHI SWORD

A GUIDE

Createspace Independent Publishing Platform A Guide to Sun Style 62 Step Sword Form uses text and photographs to illustrate the postures of the form and to help students learn and practise this sword form developed by Sun Lu-Tang and passed on to his daughter Sun Jian Yun, and through her to the author's two sword teachers, David Martin of Leicester, UK and later Zhang Zhen-Hua of Beijing, China. The book is composed of over 350 photographs which not only illustrate the postures of the sword form, but the transitions flowing from one posture to the next, close up of sword handling and reinforced by description and direction. There are also references to the teachings of Madam Sun Jian-Yun translated by the author of several books on Sun Style Taijiquan, Bradford Tyrey, at different points through the text adding a wider perspective to this book. The author teaches in the United Kingdom, and is part of a network of instructors, teachers and students based in the UK who train in the traditional Sun Style Taijiquan of Sun Jian-Yun which follow her father's teachings, and handed down through Zhang Zhen-Hua, David Martin and Bradford Tyrey by Sun Jian-Yun.

TAI CHI SWORD

THE 32 FORMS

THE TAIJI FENCING HANDBOOK

RULES & REGULATIONS FOR FENCING WITH TAI CHI & KUNG FU SWORD STYLES

Lulu Press, Inc The sport of taiji fencing can be practiced for combat training, competition sword fighting, and casual fencing with friends. No matter your background or level of skill, this handbook will help you get started with your taiji fencing by explaining the rules & regulations for both casual and competitive matches. In this book, you will learn how points are scored and prevented. You will learn what a fencer needs to participate, how to score points and run matches, & the keys to staying safe while fencing with wooden swords. No matter your background in the sword, this book is the perfect starting place for anyone that wants to start using their kung fu or tai chi sword skills for free fencing. This book does not teach a specific style or martial art. It is intended for anyone of any style of straight sword to learn the rules of taiji fencing, and be able to join an event or meeting without feeling confused or unsure. Authored by the founder of taiji fencing, Wudang Daoist Swordsman Michael Xia Chongyi has changed the face of Daoist martial arts in the west. With over 30 years of daily training, Xia has spent the last 6 years traveling the world and introducing people of all styles & nationalities to this amazing sport.

CHEN STYLE TAIJQUAN, SWORD AND BROADSWORD

TAI CHI

THE 32 SWORD FORMS

This DVD contains step-by-step instructions of the world's most popular Tai Chi sword forms from different angles and at different speeds. The use of a sword allows further expression of Tai Chi's essential principles.

THE YANG TÀIJÍ 24-STEP SHORT FORM

A STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE FOR ALL LEVELS

Singing Dragon Yang 24-Step Tàijíquán is one of the most widely-practiced Tàijíquán forms in the world today, and the form that most people first learn. Gentle enough to be suitable for the elderly, yet challenging enough to stretch even the most experienced practitioner, it is also one of the most accessible and rewarding. In his new book, James Drewe provides a comprehensive and detailed explication of the postures and movements of the form. For each, he describes exactly how the weight flows, how to use the hands, how to move the limbs, and how to relax into the movement, clearly explaining each step with the aid of foot patterns and photographs. Sections on the internal aspects of Tàijíquán, descriptions of the subtle variations that may be made when performing certain movements, and even instructions on how to fit the movements to music are also included. This comprehensive guide to Yang 24-Step Tàijíquán is an invaluable resource for taiji practitioners at all levels, including beginners, as well as taiji instructors, and students of other martial arts.

THE ART OF CHINESE SWORDSMANSHIP

A MANUAL OF TAIJI JIAN

Weatherhill, Incorporated Most Westerners are familiar with Taiji Quan (often spelled T'ai Chi Ch'uan), the graceful, dancelike exercise movements practiced by the Chinese to promote health and longevity. However, many do not realize that Taiji is also a martial art, and that it includes practice with weapons, including the ancient sword called jian. As with Taiji Quan, the practice of Taiji Jian is based on Chinese yin-yang, five-elements, and Daoist philosophical concepts, and combines meditation, martial, and healing arts. The Art of Chinese Swordsmanship is the first complete English-language introduction to Taiji Jian. It describes the history of jian swordsmanship, its fundamental principles, and its essential form of thirty-two postures, including a thorough discussion of both internal and external components. Written by a master who has practiced the sword form for twenty-five years, it will allow interested Westerners to study and practice this rewarding path to physical and mental well-being.

TAIJI SWORD

CLASSICAL YANG STYLE

Tai Chi Sword (Taiji Sword) has long been considered the highest achievement in Tai Chi Chuan training. Mainly used as a defensive weapon, Tai Chi Sword requires a strategy of 'calmness in action.' To achieve this calmness, the student must develop patience, peace of mind, and bravery.

NORTHERN SHAOLIN SWORD

Ymaa Publications Improve your balance, strength, focus and martial skills as you master this elegant and effective weapon of Gong Fu with America's most respected author and teacher.

TAI CHI CHUAN MARTIAL APPLICATIONS

ADVANCED YANG STYLE

DISCOVER THE MARTIAL ESSENCE OF TAI CHI CHUAN Here's your chance to take the next step in your tai chi journey. Martial applications found within tai chi chuan are a direct link to your tai chi as a form of self-defense. When you study the martial side of tai chi, you can become proficient in a variety of high-level skills, including sensing, neutralizing, yielding, striking, chin na, and even throwing. If you know a tai chi form, you are going to discover the essence of your movements by becoming aware of their martial applications. If you are practicing tai chi pushing hands, you will greatly improve your skills with this understanding of martial applications. If you are ready, you are going to love the amazing tai chi fighting set. This fully choreographed set (requires a partner) will combine all your tai chi skills into one 5-minute routine. This book includes: Martial applications for the Yang-style long form Martial applications for Yang-style tai chi pushing hands The complete Yang-style tai chi fighting set For any style of tai chi chuan, this book will be important for practitioners who wish to develop a deeper understanding and advanced skills. Learn how to analyze the forms and defense applications in your tai chi, gaining higher-level knowledge of your style. Discover the martial applications of Yang style. These insights will give you greater understanding of your own art. Find inspiration. Master Yang's writing will inspire you to investigate the martial applications of your tai chi style. This edition includes an easy-to-follow layout. Each technique is presented in four to six large photographs with detailed instructions on how to perform the movements. Motion arrows are used on the photographs to help you execute the movements correctly.

TAI CHI CHIN NA

THE SEIZING ART OF TAI CHI CHUAN

Chin Na is the art of seizing and controlling, and is an element of all Chinese martial arts including Taijiquan. Today, most people practice Taijiquan to maintain health or cure sickness. For the last fifty years the martial aspects of Taijiquan have been ignored, and the art is now incomplete. Most practitioners no longer understand the martial applications of Taijiquan, or even that it is a martial art. For example, the concept and training methods of Taiji Jin (or Taiji martial power), and how to apply internal Qi in the martial arts have become an unfamiliar subject in Taiji societies today. As a result, actual martial applications of Jin and Qi, such as Chin Na or Cavity Strikes, are currently not popularly known or studied. To preserve Taiji's martial aspect, this book presents 85 Taiji Chin Na (Qin Na), the art of controlling an opponent through joint locks and cavity strikes. Taiji Chin Na is one of the four main martial training categories of Taijiquan (the other three categories are striking, kicking, and wrestling/downing the opponent). Of all these four, Chin Na is the most effective, practical, powerful, and easiest to learn. Once you have mastered Taiji Chin Na, you will be able to apply the theory and techniques to any other martial style you practice. If you are a Taiji beginner, Taiji Chin Na could offer you a key to enter the door of martial Taiji. Chin Na is effective, powerful and easy to learn. Includes Chin Na techniques from the Taiji forms and Taiji Pushing Hands. The theory and techniques can be applied to any Taiji style. This book contains detailed instructions and over 500 photos and drawings so you can teach yourself.

JUICE

RADICAL TAIJI ENERGETICS

Createspace Independent Publishing Platform JUICE Radical Taiji Energetics describes the entire process of generating maximal internal power (qi) through the slow motion martial art of Chinese Taijiquan (T'ai Chi Ch'uan). All aspects of cultivation and deployment of Taiji's spirit energy are described in accessible terms. This book explains that the great past Taiji masters were not pointing at mere physical structure or mechanical principles in their teachings. Rather, they have left us a legacy of ecstatic internal energy methods that are unwrapped, unraveled, and demystified in this book. The presentation is clear, engaging, and profound, and includes working solo, working with a partner, and mastering the Taiji sword. JUICE is an essential companion for anybody from the raw beginner to the long-term veteran practitioner or teacher of Taiji. Which feels better, crack cocaine or Taiji energy? Why is spirit power (not physical structure) Taiji's true engine of mastery? Whether you're a seasoned player or merely Tai-curious, JUICE will hand you the hidden master keys to TAIJI (T'ai Chi Ch'uan) Contents include: The BRUTE level of internal energy; Taiji's MISSING BASIC for universal energy permeation; The ARC OF STEEL for Taiji's Full Body Activation; The SURGE and the STATE; The real purpose and method of Taiji's PUSH-HANDS exercise; The TAILOR'S TOUCH for supreme sensitivity; YINJECTION and YINFUSION for power emission; The SHELL and its SPIKE, SLIDE, SLURP, and NUDGE power concepts; Taiji's energy meta-tool: the Chinese STRAIGHT SWORD; and much more. JUICE isn't a photo-sequence textbook, illustrating a set of dance poses. JUICE doesn't blandly re-parrot the arcane Chinese philosophy from which Taiji emerged. This book lays out the specific mental "settings" that super-charge any style of Taiji and explains how to use Taiji for personal energy cultivation - with effects that anyone can experience immediately. Whether you currently practice Taiji or you're just thinking of getting into it, you should read JUICE before taking another step.

TAI CHI QIGONG

THE INTERNAL FOUNDATION OF TAI CHI CHUAN

Ymaa Publications This revised edition of best-selling beginner Tai Chi Qigong book includes a new and modern easy-to-follow layout. Every movement is presented with large photographs and clear instructions, followed by a discussion of how the movements aid in improving Tai Chi practice. Tai Chi Qigong is a foundation for good tai chi practice. It is also popular with people who only want to obtain the health benefits without having to learn a traditional tai chi form. Original.

AUTHENTIC YANG FAMILY TAI CHI SWORD BOOK

STEP BY STEP INSTRUCTION

EXTREME DIRECTIONS

THE 54 MOVES OF THE TAI CHI SWORD

Omnidawn Pub Evolved from the poet's observation of the daily practice of Tai Chi Sword, these poems evoke the fluidity of martial art practice, the motion of Chinese brushstroke painting, as well as the

shifting physical and metaphysical arena that is human relationship. Each poem title is one of the 54 sword movements of Tai Chi, which literally means the outer-most limits, great polarities, and Jones's poems articulate the polarities and synergies of living in a language that is at once intimate and expansive.

TAIJI FENCING PRINCIPLES

Taiji Fencing Principles, Volume 1 is the introductory handbook for foundational fencing ability in tai chi sword practices. This book offers practitioners of internal sword styles the necessary core principles for applying their skills in fencing and combat, and provides an excellent starting point for swordsmen of other styles and newcomers alike. This 200] page manual includes the 9 foundational principles, with 15 fencing drills, and over 30 illustrations. Tai Chi Sword is a classical Chinese martial art which is defined by its elegance and grace. But in true-to-life combat, it can be difficult to apply these deeper skills, as most resort to hacking and slashing while under pressure. In this handbook, the reader will learn how to train their thoughts and reactions to utilize the postures found in their Taiji / Tai Chi sword forms, and develop a sense of competence in the engagement with an opponent.

TAI CHI SWORD

THE 32 SIMPLIFIED FORMS

The 32 simplified forms explained in this book are the first lessons for Tai Chi Sword and can be practiced by anyone over 13 years old. Ancient in its origin and deep in spiritual roots, "Tai Chi Sword" is moving meditation for many who practice it.

TAI CHI CHUAN

CLASSICAL YANG STYLE : THE COMPLETE LONG FORM AND QIGONG

Ymaa Publications *Tai Chi Chuan (Taijiquan)* is one of the most popular and effective health and exercise activities practiced today. This revised edition offers beginners a comprehensive introduction to Tai Chi, a step-by-step guide to learning the complete form and the fundamentals necessary for correct practice. In this guide, you will learn: -History of Tai Chi Chuan -The relationships between Qi, Qigong, and Tai Chi -Tai Chi Chuan's Thirteen Postures -Tai Chi Qigong Sets -The Complete Yang Style Long Form, step by step -How to practice Tai Chi for best long-term results

CLASSICAL NORTHERN WU STYLE TAI JI QUAN

THE FIGHTING ART OF THE MANCHURIAN PALACE GUARD

Blue Snake Books Here is the original, rarely seen Tai Ji Quan developed by Yang Lu Chan's best Imperial Palace Guard student, Quan You, over 150 years ago. While other styles branched off into sport, health, and meditation, Quan You's disciples preserved the traditional ways. This book covers the principles, characteristics, and essentials of the Wu method, along with its famous masters. The entire classical form is illustrated step-by-step, and includes weapons skills.

THE FIVE LEVELS OF TAIJIQUAN

Singing Dragon Clarifies the five levels of Taijiquan, providing guidance from the most fundamental steps through the advanced levels and explains how readers can assess their current abilities and identify what is needed to attain Taiji, a complete state of being. Original.

THE COMPLETE TAI CHI TUTOR

A STRUCTURED COURSE TO ACHIEVE PROFESSIONAL EXPERTISE

Hachette UK Dan Docherty's *The Complete Tai Chi Tutor* leads you on a spiritual journey towards understanding the key principles and history of the art of Tai Chi. It investigates what is known and unknown concerning the origins and history of Tai Chi, from the ancient texts of Chinese civilization to the 21st century, and explores some key questions on the way. Docherty considers the practicalities of teaching, reviewing the fundamentals and benefits of practice, and demonstrates some highly efficacious but little-known drills, as well as fundamental practice and key Long Form techniques. In addition, he explores the martial and self-defence application of some of the fundamental techniques. Finally, Docherty offers guidance on becoming a Tai Chi instructor and explores areas of tuition, competitions and styles. This illustrated guide offers you sequential directions on key techniques, such as Single Whip, Vanguard Arms and Seven Stars, with descriptions on how to do major form techniques. Moves are clearly demonstrated through the use of step-by-step photography and text. Whether you have some Tai Chi knowledge or if you are looking to become an advanced practitioner, this guide will take your practice to the next level.

TAIJIQUAN

THE ART OF NURTURING, THE SCIENCE OF POWER

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