

Northern California Japanese Sword Club

Membership Information and Sign-up Form

The Northern California Japanese Sword Club, founded in the early 1960's, is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and study of Japanese swords, sword guards, fittings, armor and related works of art. At its inception the Club was fortunate to be under the guidance and tutelage of the late John Masayuki Yumoto, an internationally respected authority on the Japanese sword. Since Mr. Yumoto's death in 1988, the Club has been administered by the Board of Directors, and has prospered.

Club meetings generally consist of lectures and discussions on various aspects of the Japanese sword. For the novice, particular emphasis is placed on the etiquette of handling the sword as well as its maintenance and conservation. For the more advanced there are in-depth study sessions on the connoisseurship and evaluation of the sword and its fittings. Members are encouraged to bring swords, fittings and associated items to meetings for study and discussion. Non-members are welcome as well.

With few exceptions, (usually April and August) the meetings are held on the third Sunday of each month, from 12:30 to somewhere around 3:30 PM. Board meetings start immediately after the general meeting. Meetings are held at 1840 Sutter Street in San Francisco's Japan Town. Persons interested in attending the meeting should confirm the place and time by checking on our website, www.ncjsc.org. Member's receive a monthly Newsletter. The Club also sponsors an annual display at the San Francisco Cherry Blossom Festival in April, and an annual Sword Show, or Token-Kai, held in the San Francisco area during the month of August. Many outstanding Nihonto related items can be viewed and studied here. Buying and selling swords, fittings, supplies, and services, are the order of the day at the Token Kai.

New members receive a FREE copy of the Nihon Token Hozon Kai's "Novice Course" and back issues of the newsletters for calendar year in which the application is received.

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Area of Interest:			
Annual Dues: US\$60		Amount Paid \$	
Make check payable to the NCJSC and send it along with this application to the above address.			