

MAESTRO TONY TANARE - WEAPONS SPECIALIST



Anthony (Tony) Tanare was born in 1973, Quezon City Philippines. At the age of six his grandfather taught him basic Filipino boxing, and then his father continued his training with basic Judo and Jujutsu for the next four years.

In 1985 his family relocated from the Philippines to Hawaii on the island of Oahu. After he graduated from high school he volunteered and joined the US Navy for 20 years. He then retired in the summer of 2012.

While in Hawaii he searched for a martial arts school which he found Pedoy's School of Derobio Escrima located in Waipahu. His first teacher for the next seven years was Grandmaster Tyrone Takahashi, grandson of the Great Grandmaster Braulio Pedoy, and nephew of Batikan Eduardo Pedoy. Training was rigorous, painful, and exhausting, but the experience was rewarding. After training with GM Takahashi, he continued his training with GGM Pedoy's first original students at General Ablen's School of Derobio Escrima, his instructors were Grandmaster Gary Largo, Chief Master Leslie Largo, Senior Master Carlton Kramer, Senior Regional High Chief Instructor Knut Peacock, and Senior High Chief Instructor Peter Schmall. The school is still active and currently located in Kalihi Valley.

For the next six years he learned the original movements and components of Derobio Escrima, and he quickly was promoted up in the ranks. He also devoted his time to train children and adults to assist his masters. The masters were amazed how he learned and developed his skills in the early stages of his training. And before completion of his training he added his own style to its original Derobio counter-for-counter series. The masters of the school told him his training has ended, that they have exhausted all their knowledge to him. Upon completion of his training he was blessed with the traditional ritual and was certified as an instructor for General Ablen's School of Derobio Escrima, now named and regarded as Maestro Tony Tanare.

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