



Goju Hall #804 of New Rochelle, N.Y.
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Andrew Gross

Ni Dan, Nisei Goju-Jitsu
Knight of 553 North Avenue
Friend, Brother and Student

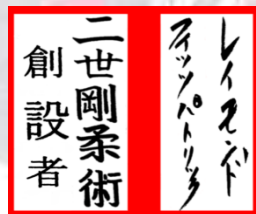


Andrew is a direct student of Anthony LaRosa, Renshi of Nisei Goju Ryu. He began his training at the Mt. Vernon and Yonkers dojos of Renshi, LaRosa. In the early 1990s, Renshi closed his dojos and consolidated his remaining students with the New Rochelle Karate Institute. Andrew was one of those students and he arrived at NRKI as a brown belt in 1991. **By August 1992, he and Geoff Prisco advanced to black belt level in the presence of Sensei, Earl Monroe and Chaka Zulu. Andrew is the 16th Dan of NRKI.**

Andrew aided in the development of my sons, Daniel and Christopher, Marc Fawwaz and Rob Graham. He and Renshi, LaRosa taught an early morning class (5:00 am to 6:30am) at NRKI which was attended by Ken Montgomery and Vinny Castaldo, as they came up the ranks to brown belt. He was promoted to Ni Dan in 1997.

From 1993 to 2004, Andrew participated in the black belt tests of Ken McGrath, Frank Lanzillotta, Marc Fawwaz, Jared Otero, Jeff Briem and Lamou Barthelemi.

Most recently, Andrew assisted me in instructing a Physical Education course at Sarah Lawrence College from 2002 until 2007 and trains at the Hombu dojo, occasionally.



Submitted by,
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