

Odys's Rope Activity Resume

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Summary

Dedicated rigger and educator with a focus on traditional Japanese style kinbaku/shibari with over seven years of active tying experience in private and public play spaces (Bar Ubu, Tokyo Japan, Crucible, DC; Baltimore Playhouse, Ramblewood, DOWF, BED, Citadel, SF, Catalyst, SF).

Highlights

- Endorsed to teach Nakastyle basics in the USA by Akira Naka sensei
- Taught by Akira Naka from 2017 to present
- Member of Nawa Naka Kai from 2018 to present

Focus

Traditional Japanese kinbaku/shibari

- Tormenting rope (Semenawa) experience
- Artistic rope projects
- Rope for photography

Community Activity

- Founder and facilitator of NakaStyle Study Group in DMV (with permission by Naka sensei) 2023- present
- Owner and designer of KinbakuOdyssey Studio (KO), VA
- Founder and facilitator of NOVA Nawa weekly skill share, 2016-2019

2023

Teaching

- NakaStyle Study Group Workshop – the Prep (June, theBunnyTrap, MD)
- NakaStyle Study Group Workshop – Semenawa Research Group Meeting (SRM #1) (June, theBunnyTrap, MD)
- NakaStyle Study Group Workshop – the Gote (April, KO, VA)
- NakaStyle Study Group Workshop – the Prep (April, KO, VA)
- NakaStyle Study Group Workshop – the Prep (March, KO, VA)
- L.E.A.P. Workshop: “Semenawa – what’s in a word?” (March, Oblige, Detroit)
- “Fundamentals of Semenawa” – 2 day NakaStyle workshop (March, Oblige, Detroit)
- NakaStyle Study Group Workshop – the Prep (April, KO, VA)
- NakaStyle Study Group Workshop – the Gote (April, KO, VA)

Education

Scheduled:

- @Akira Naka two days of studies in NakaStyle (December, Tokyo, Japan)
- @Wildties & RedSabbath 3-day workshop on Naka Ryu Level 3 as interpreted by KinbakuLuxuria (September, Prague)

Performances

Scheduled:

- Performance & Play Night – Featuring Odys and VioletRain (March, Oblige, Detroit)

2022

Education

- @Akira Naka two days of studies in NakaStyle (December, Tokyo, Japan)
- @Wildties & RedSabbath 3-day workshop on Naka Ryu Level 1 as interpreted by KinbakuLuxuria (October, Chicago)

Performances

- Special performance for “KO 5th” (July, Gainesville, VA)

Events

- Contemplations: Artistic Expressions in Rope @Crucible DC (May, Washington, DC)
- Contemplations: Two Muses @KO (July, Gainesville, VA)
- Contemplations: Back at the Crucible @Crucible DC (September, Washington, DC)

Conferences

- The Summer MI Rope Conference (August, Detroit, MI)

2021

Education

- @Wildties Attitude-Intention-Presence-in-Semenawa (an online class, February)
- @Wildties Educator Workshop (an online class, February)
- @Wildties Gote narratives (an online class, March)
- @Wildties Use of gags in rope bondage (an online class, April)

Performances

- Special performance for “KO 4th” (July, Gainesville, VA)

2020

Education

Private Tuition:

- @Akira Naka three days of high intermediate/advanced studies in NakaStyle (February, Tokyo, Japan)
- @Wildties Aesthetics in Traditional Kinbaku (an online series of 8 classes April-June)
- @Subay Feeling with Heart, Empathy in Shibari (an online class, August)
- @Wildties Going deep (an online class, October)
- @Wildties Soft Skills in Kinbaku (an online class, November)

Performances

- Nuit des Cordes (February, Montreal Canada)

2019

Education

- Classes, day/weekend-long rope intensives, private lessons and teaching

Private Tuition:

- @Akira Naka three days of high intermediate/advanced studies in NakaStyle (Tokyo, Japan)

Workshops:

- @Wildties & RedSabbath 3-day workshop on Naka Ryu Level 1 as interpreted by KinbakuLuxuria (May, Vancouver, Canada)

Teaching

- RiggerOdys weekend workshop (November, Mebane, NC)
- RiggerOdys private weekend workshop (October, Knoxville , TN)
- RiggerOdys weekend workshop (November, Mebane, NC)
- RiggerOdys weekend workshop (July, Mebane, NC)
- RiggerOdys and ToughCookie Intensive – Emotional Transitions Immersion (Montreal, Canada)

Conferences

- Rope in the Rockies (September, Denver, CO)

Performances

- Nuit des Cordes (March, Montreal Canada)
- Performance with RiggerOdys and Toughcookie (May, Montreal Canada)
- Special performance for “KinbakuOdyssey Turns 2” (July, Manassas, VA)
- Opening night with RiggerOdys and Feroxisaurus at Rope in the Rockies (September, Denver, CO)

2018

Education

- Classes, day/weekend-long rope intensives, private lessons and teaching

Private Tuition:

- @Akira Naka three days of high intermediate/advanced studies in NakaStyle (Tokyo, Japan)

Workshops:

- @Gorgone advanced workshop on Chaotic Bodies (September, Charlottesville, VA)
- @Pedro intermediate/advanced workshop with focus on dynamic transitions on the bamboo (June/July, Columbus, OH)
- @Pedro – intermediate/advanced workshop focusing on tying bamboo into the body and predicament playful ties (April, VoxBody, Oakland, CA)
- @Subay mini workshop (February, Manassas, VA)

Classes:

- @Pedro – Creative hojo inspired bondage (April, VoxBody, Oakland, CA)

Teaching

- Presenting at ACE Ohio Rope Weekend (September, Columbus, OH)
- Exploring Hashira Bondage With Odys (June, KinbakuOdyssey Studio, Manassas, VA)
- RBJC May Bite with Rigger Odys!! -Tying without Patterns (May, Johnson City, TN)
- Introduction to Emotional Transitions: Floor work and Partial (April, KinbakuOdyssey Studio, Manassas, VA)
- Tying without Patterns with Odys (March, KinbakuOdyssey Studio, Manassas, VA)
- Emotional Transitions Weekend Immersion (December, KinbakuOdyssey Studio, Manassas, VA)

Performances

- ACE Rope Weekend (Columbus Space for Alternative Self Expression, Columbus, OH)
- RopeBurn by M0co with _Smash_ (July, Baltimore Playhouse, Baltimore, MD)
- Special kinbaku performance with feroxisaurus for KinbakuOdyssey Turns One celebration (July)
- Special kinbaku performance with lumandy (May, Johnson City, TN)
- KinbakuOdyssey Live (April, Manassas, VA)
- RopeBurn by M0co with WhiskeyGinger01 (April, Baltimore, MD)
- KinbakuOdyssey Live (March, Manassas, VA)
- Nuit des Cordes (March, Montreal Canada)
- Special Kinbaku performance with Kira (February, Richmond, VA)

2017

Workshops

- @-EM- (various techniques review with a focus on rope bondage for impact play)
- @Gorgone (intermediate study of body mechanics with application to shibari)
- @FredRx (intermediate workshop in NakaStyle)
- @Pedro (advanced study of dynamic transitions in a blend of Japanese Kinbaku styles)
- @Murasaki and @Iroha San Yukimura studies (beginner/intermediate workshop on Yukimura Ryu)
- @Gorgone (intermediate/advanced study of falling and fundamentals review)

Classes Taken:

- Tying on Bamboo with @Mynx at BED,Dallas (specificity of suspensions over the horizontal poles – such as bamboo)
- Rope Hacks with @M0co and @Beemo at BED,Dallas (tips and tricks for improving rope tying fundamentals)
- Let's Teppou with @Hedwig at BED,Dallas (@Hedwig's Teppou with variations and suspension options)
- Rope Finishing Techniques with @Kanna&Kagura at BED,Dallas (strategies for practical ways to burn extra rope)
- Partial Suspensions: The Slow Unfolding of Beautiful Suffering with @Mynx at BED,Dallas (NakaStyle semenawa applied to partial suspension with a focus on mainlining one point of contact on the floor at all times)
- Rope bondage for sex with @Cannon and @Killjoy at DOWF (basic ties to enhance sexual experiences)
- Partial suspensions with @Aeolis_Est at DOWF (intro to free-style tying of partial suspensions)

Classes Taught:

- “Hashira Variations” – discussion/demo of hashira (柱) Shibari (Open Rope, VoxBody Studio, Oakland, California)

Private Lessons:

- @Akira Naka in Tokyo, Japan (two days of directed intermediate/advanced study of Naka Ryu)
- @Sardonic (bi-weekly studies with chosen topics)

2016

Workshops

Classes Taken:

- “Fishbone and Peach” ties by @Cannon and @Tifereth at DOWF, 16
- Nonsensical floor work, and microbondage by @SarifkaMorgan at NOVA Nawa, 8/16
- “Suspensions with Dynamic Transitions” by @MysticScholar at RambleGRUE 2

Classes Taught:

- “Hishi Meeny Diamonds” – hishi pattern chest harness (RambleGRUE 2)
- “Connective Tying” – discussion/demo of Ichi Nawa (one rope) (Woodbridge Holiday Munch @Omery)

Weekend-long workshops:

- @Gorgone (intermediate/advanced ties and suspensions with Akira Naka/Naka Ryu styles focus)
- @Saki Kamijoo (intermediate/advanced ties and suspensions with focus on dynamic suspension transitions)
- @Lizard, @honey_bare, @Meymoon @scuddle and @EbiBex (rope safety, negotiations, tension and flow, barebones and sadistic ties, body movements in rope, non-box ties, hip harnesses, and suspension transitions)
- @Kazami Ranki (intermediate/advanced techniques of Kazami Ryu Kinbaku)
- @Hajime Kinoko (advanced techniques and art of Kinoko Ryu Kinbaku)
- @PinkMynx (fundamentals of Japanese rope bondage, safety, flow and efficiency)
- @WykD_Dave and @clover (fundamentals of Japanese rope bondage in WykD_Dave Ryu, bondage beauty and aesthetics)
- @Akira Naka and @Sugiura Norio (Naka Ryu Kinbaku fundamentals and art; (aesthetics)
- @Sardonic and @Ladyxlazarus (concepts and techniques of connecting with a partner through rope bondage)

Private Lessons:

- @TheHammer
- @Sardonic

2015

Workshops

Classes:

- Rope safety 201 with @Lizard @RambleGRUE
- Microbondage with Lizard and @honey_bare @RambleGRUE
- Bondage for Sex ties with @TheHammer
- Rope Lab with @M0co and @Beemo
- Intro to rope bondage with @Lochai
- Rope Scene Negotiations with @IPCookieMonster
- Rope Bottoming with @IPCookieMonster

Weekend-long workshops:

- @M0co & @Lochai (basics of rope bondage and tying),
- @TheHammer (beginner/intermediate foundations of kinbaku)
- @Kanso & @True_Blue (intermediate/advanced kinbaku with Akira Naka style focus);
- @Gorgone (intermediate/advanced ties and suspensions with @ Ren Yagami style focus)

Private Lessons:

- @Kanso & @True_Blue
- @Lizard

Affiliations

- Rope family with Akira Naka
- Belle Bondage (<https://fetlife.com/users/4806408>)

References

Available upon request.