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TMAA NATIONAL PRESIDENT FOR GERMANY

As we continue to expand our outreach and support efforts on behalf of the LGBT community world wide, and in the run up to our running of the martial arts events at OutGames Copenhagen, we are most pleased to announce and welcome Andrea Lowe of Cologne, Germany as the latest TMAA National President to join our small, but steadily growing, group of international representatives.

Andrea is an experienced martial artist who has helped organize such international events as Pink Power in August of 2008 in Cologne. With a good network or contacts and fellow martial artists throughout Germany, Andrea will assist TMAA in providing information, support, and resources to German LGBT martial artist who contact us.

“We currently have four National Presidents including myself” said Grand Master Ken Craig, President of TMAA, “but we are actively seeking more especially in the run up to OutGames 2009 and Gay Games in 2010.”

“We have representatives in Australia, Germany, Singapore, and of course in the United States of America. We are also talking with individuals in the United Kingdom, China, and Israel in the hopes of securing volunteers to represent us as National Presidents in those countries also.”

TMAA National Presidents are unpaid volunteers who provide the networking and contact capabilities that TMAA leverages world wide in order to build their World Clubs List of LGBT run or friendly martial arts clubs and organizations, and their World Resources List of LGBT run and supportive resource and support organizations. The National Presidents also become focal points for TMAA members in their country, encouraging Regional development and helping to create or facilitate opportunities for LGBT martial artists around their country to meet and train together.

“We are excited every time we add a new National President as it offers us an opportunity to reach out to more LGBT martial artists, and hopefully that results in us developing a stronger and more cohesive LGBT martial arts community while we still respect individual differences in disciplines, styles, philosophies, and view-points” continued Grand Master Craig.

“Our goal for 2009 is to secure one or two additional National Presidents, especially in South America, the Middle East and East Asia. Ultimately, our ambition is to secure a National President for every country in the world.”

TMAA National Presidents do not need to be black belt martial artists with years of experience. They simply have to have a passion for what TMAA stands for and is trying to achieve, and be willing to give up a couple of hours a week to help us actually move toward those goals.

Want to be the TMAA National President in your country? Simply send an e-mail to info@TriangleMAA.org and tell us a little about yourself.