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HEART OF TAE KWON DO

40 years and Now about KUKKIWON

The KUKKIWON started in 1972 as a Taekwondo Central Dojang and has taken an initiating role in globalizing Taekwondo and invigorating the martial arts Taekwondo.

The KUKKIWON laid the groundwork to globalize Taekwondo by conducting the 1st World Taekwondo Championships in 1973 and launch the World Taekwondo Federation.

In 1978, the KUKKIWON fortified the foundation of Taekwondo development by unification of 10 Kwans (Chung Do Kwan, Moo Duk Kwan, Ji Do Kwan, Song Moo Kwan, Chang Moo Kwan, Kang Duk Won, Jung Do Kwan, Oh Do Kwan, Han Moo Kwan, and Kwan Il Kwan)

1970's

1972.11.30 Taekwondo Central Dojang opened

1973.02.06 Changed name to the 'KUKKIWON' and grows to the origin of Taekwondo globalization as the World Taekwondo Headquarters.

1980's

The first step into Taekwondo globalization

Taekwondo was chosen to be a demonstration sport in the 1988 Seoul Olympics. KUKKIWON started the business specialized in earnest.

2013~

Kukkiwon changed to a new image

The KUKKIWON globalized the vision and strengthened the stature as the World Taekwondo Headquarters.

1990's

Taekwondo brought to the surface a representative cultural brand of Korea

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2009 ~ 2012

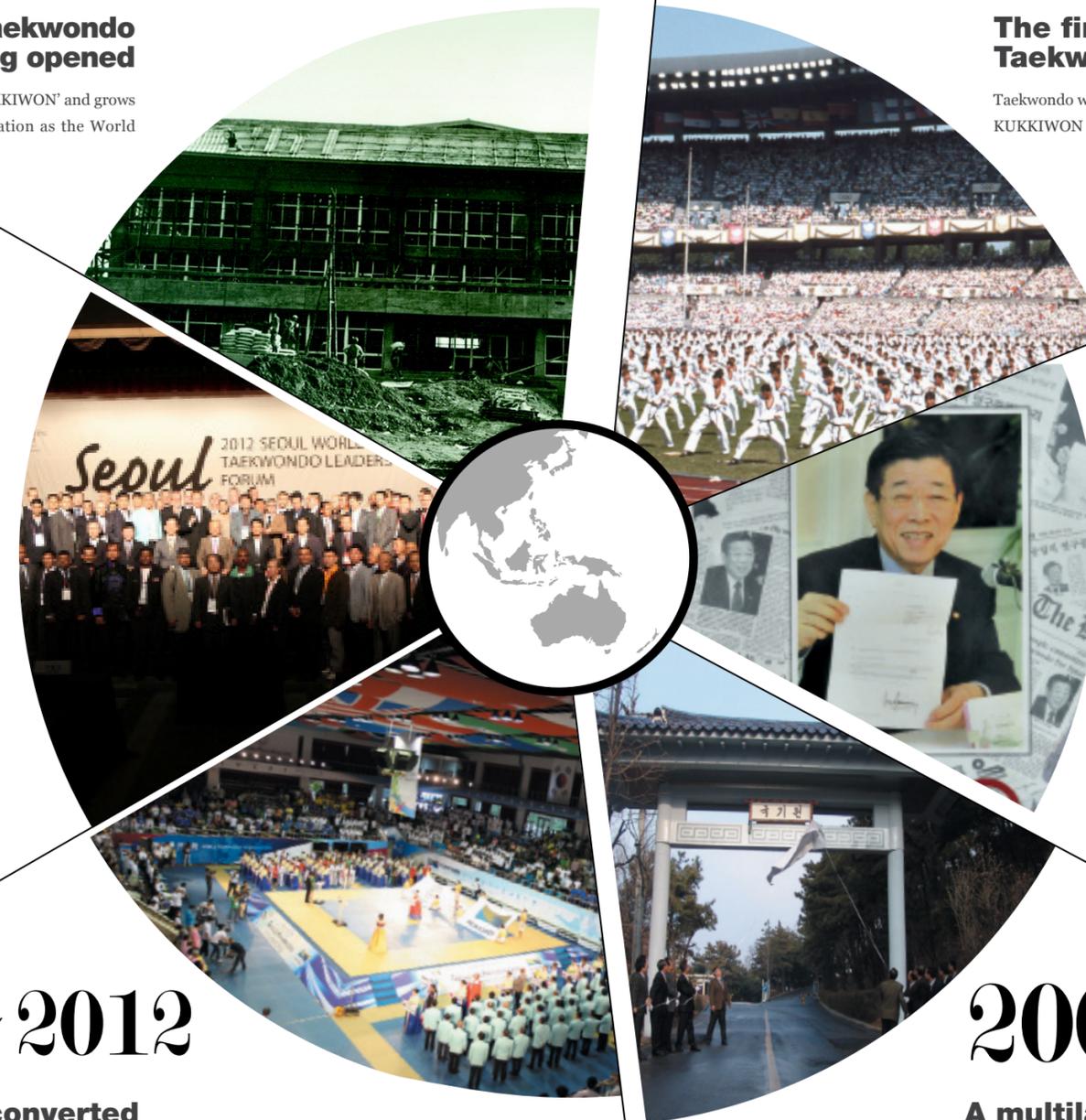
The KUKKIWON converted to Special Corporation

It's accelerated to build a global network. The KUKKIWON brand value rose.

2000 ~ 2008

A multilateral effort was made to promote Taekwondo

Technical development and global networking enhanced the value of the Kukkiwon brand.



HISTORY

1990s

"Taekwondo" The Representative Cultural Brand of Korea



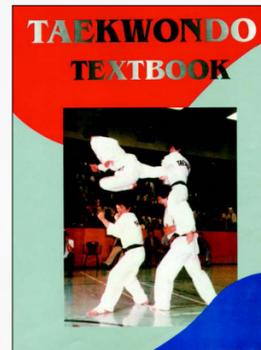
The First World Taekwondo Hanmadang

On December 9th, 1992, to examine the possibility of Taekwondo as a sport for all and authentic aspects of martial arts, the 1st Taekwondo Hanmadang was held at the 2nd gymnasium in Seoul Olympic Park.



Taekwondo Become a Official Sports For The Olympics

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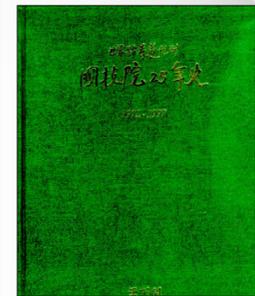
KUKKIWON Taekwondo TextBook

The KUKKIWON published the KUKKIWON Taekwondo TextBook in English at Sep, 20th, 1995.



Start Running a KUKKIWON Information System

On November 4th, 1996, Kukkiwon started a Taekwondo information system which aims at improving work efficiency and supporting an increasing number of people of Taekwondo.



25 years Anniversary History Book

The KUKKIWON published the 25 years anniversary history book at Dec, 30th, 1997.



The Taekwondo Memorial

Kukkiwon memorial hall, 196.15 square meter wide newly built museum, was opened to the public, exhibiting historical Taekwondo documents and commemorative objects on November 30th, 1991.



100th Anniversary of IOC, The World Taekwondo Championship

From April 22nd to 23rd, 1994, the Seoul international Taekwondo competition was held to commemorate IOC 100th year, inviting IOC committees.



On 10th of December, 1994, President Kim Young Sam, wearing Taekwondo uniform, greeted the cheering audience in the opening ceremony of 1994 KBS international Taekwondo competition to commemorate becoming an official Olympic sport.



The monument built in 1995 display a message congratulating becoming an official Olympic sport at the 2000 Summer Olympics in Sydney, Australia.



7th The World Taekwondo Hanmadang

1999 World Taekwondo Hanmadang, champions from the 1st to 7th Hanmadang events participated and competed to be entitled to the best champion of 20th century's Taekwondo.

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HANMADANG IN NEPAL PROJECT & NEWS

The new era of world Taekwondo Hanmadang in Nepal.



The event is held for 3 days at Nepal Pokhara 1,012 participated from 6 countries.

The Asian Taekwondo Hanmadang, hosted by the Kukkiwon and organized by the national association of Taekwondo in Nepal, was regarded as to open the new era of world Taekwondo Hanmadang.

From 27th to 30th of last month, Taekwondo Hanmadang was held in Pokhara, Nepal, and Kukkiwon opened it in Nepal with a plan to upgrade a numerous number of Taekwondo competitions in foreign countries into structured competitions and supply standard compilations facilitating Taekwondo competitions.

Particularly, this Asian Taekwondo Hanmadang was to help young generations of Nepal's improve their self-dignity through practices of Taekwondo and build networks between Asian countries facilitating communications and collaborations. To fulfill these goals, Kukkiwon provided with sufficient know-how, human and material resources.



The Kukkiwon vice president, Oh Hyun Deuk, who is in charge of carrying out the Taekwondo Hanmadang, says "This Hanmadang might become such a valuable experience motivates the Nepalese to be confident. Particularly, despite the challenging environment, participants and staffs demonstrated their best effort and passion, and, this event will be regarded as the most remarkable one for a long time. The competition was composed of 40

sectors in 10 events: Power Breaking, All-round breaking, Record breaking, Official Poomsae, Taekwondo Aerobic, Group sparring, and etc, excluding creative Poomsae and Comprehensive group competition. Especially, the audience had responded with a great applause with a newly introduced game, Group Sparring and at a final round on male games, the Nepal police team defeated the Indian team, while the Nepal army team became a champion on female games.



DEMONSTRATION

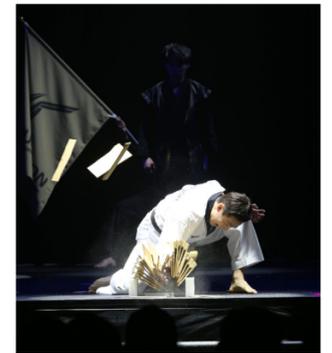
KUKKIWON DEMONSTRATION TEAM



Kukkiwon Demonstration Team Regular Performance, 'Beyond the Expectation!'

Great Taekwondo Performance, a combination of Taekwondo and splendid performance. Non-verbal Taekwondo performance 'GREAT TAEKWONDO' held under the slogan of "Taekwondo Brightens the World" and prepared with an ambition by the Kukkiwon Taekwondo demonstration team is being earned favorable comments from not only

Koreans but also foreigners from all over the world. Starting on February 23rd, 2016, 'GREAT TAEKWONDO' will hold weekly regular performance (Thursday-Friday 19:30, Saturday-Sunday 14:00pm), which sublimates Korea's traditional sports, Taekwondo into the performance art, at the Kukkiwon to make Taekwondo demonstrations accessible as cultural products for tourists.



The authentic Taekwondo performance, 'GREAT TAEKWONDO' shows off the story from the birth of Taekwondo to the integration of the world Taekwondo with the establishment of the Kukkiwon.

It is divided into a total of 3 parts, and at 4th parts after the performance, there will be hands on Taekwondo events such as 'breaking' and 'photo time' at the stage for visitors to enjoy with the actors of Taekwondo demonstration team.

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KUKKIWON PROJECT & NEWS

A memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Taekwondo federation of France



Kukkiwon signed an MOU with the Federation Francaise de Taekwondo et Disciplines Associees(FFTDA) on March 23rd entailing cooperation between the two organizations to foster Taekwondo.

The FFTDA said that they want to build up a more firm martial art organization and foster Taekwondo through this cooperation with the Kukkiwon.

Kukkiwon, conferred the honorary 7th Dan to the Ministry of Sports of Sudan.



Kukkiwon awarded the honorary 7th Dan to the Ministry of Sports of Sudan, Haidar Galucuma Ateem on 11th of March. Ministry Ateem made a request to the Kukkiwon for a cooperation on proceeding of construction of Taekwondo center. Moreover, he asked for support of dispatch of Taekwondo masters, and he hoped to establish an ongoing relationship for the development of Taekwondo.

PEOPLE

CONAN CHRISTOPHER O'BRIEN VISITED THE KUKKIWON

Kukkiwon Presents Famed US MC Conan with Honorary Dan



Kukkiwon presented famous US MC and actor Conan Christopher O'Brien with an honorary 3rd Dan.

The host Conan visited the Kukkiwon at 1pm on Wednesday, February 17th to film the show, which is being aired on the US channel TBS, alongside the Kukkiwon Taekwondo Demonstration Team.

Afterwards, Kukkiwon acknowledged the host's contributions to the promotion of Taekwondo and presented him with an honorary Dan.

This episode of Conan featured Conan O'Brien experiencing a first-hand demonstration of Taekwondo with the Kukkiwon Taekwondo Demonstration Team and the Sindorim Elementary School Taekwondo demonstration team.



INTERVIEW

MAKE EVERY EFFORT FOR THE BRIGHT FUTURE OF TAEKWONDO.



Morning of New Year 2016
Jeong Mansoon President of the Kukkiwon

My respectable and beloved global Taekwondo Family members!

We have ring out with the old year and ring in bright New Year.

I would like to express deep gratitude to all Taekwondo family members who have made all their efforts for the growth of Taekwondo for the past year.

Taekwondo has taken deep root as the global sports through spectacular growth for the past years. In addition, Taekwondo is growing as not only a sport but also the global cultural contents.

Kukkiwon, World Taekwondo Headquarters has laid a foundation for a big leap in Taekwondo and has started a lot of domestic and overseas projects to enhance the value of Taekwondo in 2015.

As a result, we have achieved a lot of good results in the projects such as auditing system of Taekwondo, education of Taekwondo instructors, activation of Taekwondo overseas, construction of overseas organizations, activation of Taekwondo research journal, active demonstration show of Taekwondo and others.

All members of Kukkiwon will do the best in this New Year to be a hope and guiding lamp leading to the future bright Taekwondo.

Please keep your interest and support for Kukkiwon. We will also make every effort for the bright future of Taekwondo.



NEWS BRIEF

1. Kukkiwon was awarded for 'Seoul Culture Prize'

Seoul City (Mayor Won-soon Park) selected the Kukkiwon as the winner of 'The 64th Seoul City Culture Prize' in the field of athletic.

Award winner Kukkiwon, was opened in 1972, as the central Do-jang(hall) of national sport, Taekwondo, and received a substantial evaluation since it played a leading role in Taekwondo globalization as the headquarters of the World Taekwondo.

Moreover, it founded the Kukkiwon Demonstration Team in 1974 to spread Taekwondo and Korean culture, and gained positive commentaries as it holds cultural events and Taekwondo performances by developing tourist attraction of Taekwondo, together with Seoul city.



2. Kukkiwon Website to open Chinese language services

Kukkiwon will be providing regular Chinese language services on its website, targeting at China, which holds the biggest world population and is emerging as the considerable amount of market in the field of Kukkiwon Poom•Dan certificates.

With over 110,000 citizens currently in possession of Poom•Dan Certificates, this makes China the country with the 3rd highest number of Poom•Dan holders, following Korea and the US.

As such, the Kukkiwon will be providing Chinese website services in earnest starting February 2016 in order to bolster services for Chinese Taekwondo practitioners and revitalize the promotion of Taekwondo, followed by English website services.

3. Kukkiwon holds the appointment ceremony of the 2016 Technical Committee

Kukkiwon Technical Committee of 2016 had appointment ceremony and started to enter full-scale activities.

At 10:30 AM, on Thursday, February 18th, president of Kukkiwon; Jeong Mansoon, vice president; Oh Hyun-deuk, president of World Taekwondo Academy; Kim Hyun-seong including the employees of Kukkiwon and Technical committee members had participated in '2016 Kukkiwon Technical Committee Appointment Ceremony' held at Kukkiwon.

Technical Committee of Kukkiwon plays a pivotal role in propelling the service of Kukkiwon, and it appoints committees every year. Especially this year, Technical Committee enhanced professionalism by classifying the event department and the belt test department, and organized by appointing vice-chairmen to conduct the department in responsible way.



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