

Martial Arts Legend and UFC Champ Royce Gracie to Appear at Brooklyn Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu

Legendary Martial Arts hero & MMA icon will appear at Brooklyn Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu's Cobble Hill school for one night as part of a rare visit to the Northeast.

BROOKLYN, NY, USA, January 27, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- MMA pioneer and legendary Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu practitioner <u>Royce Gracie</u>, who first came to prominence in the 1990s as the face of modern Martial Arts through the UFC, makes his Brooklyn debut at a seminar on Monday at <u>Brooklyn</u> <u>Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu</u>.

Gracie holds the most consecutive submission victories in UFC history (11), and is widely credited with popularizing Jiu-Jitsu and revolutionizing MMA. The two-hour seminar, which will focus on elements of traditional Gracie self defense as well as MMA concepts, will be held at Brooklyn Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu's Columbia Street school.

"This is a high watermark day for our BBJJ schools, says lead instructor Gene Dunn. "Royce Gracie has been an influential figure for so many people over the past several decades that it is a true honor and privilege to host him."

Brooklyn Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu - a collaborative self-defense training network teaching martial arts in Dyker Heights, Gravesend, Clinton Hill, Cobble Hill and Bensonhurst - eschews a strictly competitive approach to Martial Arts training for adults and children. It chooses instead to focus on the core elements of Martial Arts and Jiu-jitsu philosophy: self-discipline, self-defense, community, and personal growth.

These components have been integral to the development and growth of Jiu-Jitsu worldwide, and part of the essential philosophy of Royce Gracie's family since the early 20th century.

Gracie's appearance has BBJJ students very excited; the event has drawn participants from as far away as Long Island and Pennsylvania. "I cannot believe our good fortune to have such a remarkable legend of the art with us for this event. I remember first finding out about Jiu-Jitsu through knowing who Royce Gracie was. In many ways this is a dream come true," says long-time student Alex Burns.

"In the current global climate, self-defense and the Jiu-Jitsu message is more relevant now than ever," continues Dunn, himself a 2nd degree black belt in the art. "Master Royce is in a rich and valuable tradition which we appreciate, and are happy to share with Brooklyn."

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