



Classical Italian Military Duelling Saber Seminar

Instructor Sean Newton (FMCP, Scuola Magistrale School of Italian Fencing) will lead a two-day workshop at CBA. Learn the basics of the elegant and deadly saber systems of Radaelli, Barbasetti, Pecararo & Pessina.

February 24 - 25

Saturday: 9am to Noon

Day 1: On day one, we'll cover the basics (guard, invitations, engagements), simple attacks, parries, feints, one action on the blade, and one action in time. A good intro to Radaellian saber, also covering the requirements for a Scuola Magistrale instructors exam lesson.

Sunday: 10:30am to 1:30pm

Day 2: We'll work primarily from Barbasetti's conventional exercises, as that is a big part of how Radaellians covered applications of technique. Ending with some bouting.

CBA Member cost: \$75 for both days, \$40 for one day

Non-member cost: \$80 for both days, \$50 for one day

Equipment required: Mask and jacket. A light-weight (olympic) saber is ideal, but not necessary. We have some blades to lend.

About Sean Newton:

Sean has been fencing and teaching fencing for over twenty years. His experience started in a small classical fencing school at Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Since then, he has gone on to work with a number of different instructors, including four different classical fencing masters. Sean has proven his technical and theoretical knowledge by achieving an Instructor at Arms certification in classical Italian fencing and teaching. The certificate was awarded by the Fencing Masters Certificate Program at Sonoma State University and is recognized by the Italian Military Masters program in Rome.

That knowledge has been put to use teaching and running several different programs in Milwaukee, including taking over the program at Marquette University and assisting with another program at Brookfield Academy High School. Sean has taught hundreds of students, from beginners to experienced fencers, in foil, epee, saber, and historical weapons. His focus is on basics, improving students' understanding and skill, and helping them to improve in bouting.

Why should you attend?

Because Barbasetti watches us...always.

