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Press Release
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Opportunity was the April word of the month for Link's Martial Arts Mayville and Waupun WI. On Friday, April 13, twelve year old Junior Black Belt, Dannylin Link, made the most of her exciting opportunity as she participated in the chance of a lifetime. Dannylin was nominated by an Inductee of the USA Martial Arts Hall of Fame to be one of sixteen martial artists to have a chance to perform for a "Star Search" at the Don the Dragon event in Indianapolis, Indiana.

The finalists will advance and one lucky winner will earn a walk-on role in a future Asylum Sci-Fi movie. During the audition Dannylin demonstrated her Fan kata in front of a panel that included LA talent agent Kevin Turner, actor Geoff Meed and actor/martial arts fight choreographer Anthony De Longis. The event was hosted by USA Martial Arts Hall of Fame Curator/Director Dr. Jim Thomas.

In addition Dannylin, "ran lines" with Geoff Meed reading from a script that was provided to all the participants. At the end of the script reading, Mr. De Longis commented that Dannylin's eye contact was magical. Dannylin was disappointed to learn that she was not chosen as one of the three finalists. However, her excitement quickly returned when Anthony De Longis invited her exclusively to train with him at his ranch in California. It's true that when one door closes another opens!

Saturday, April 14, the event continued with many seminars hosting world famous martial arts Masters. Link's Martial Arts Elite Team members were privileged to meet and mingle with several martial arts celebrities. The day was highlighted by training with martial arts legend Bill "Super-foot" Wallace.

Dannylin also had the thrill to partner with seasoned actor, fight choreographer and respected martial artist Anthony De Longis during his seminar. He is known for his sword and bullwhip techniques. He trained Harrison Ford in Indiana Jones and Michelle Pfeiffer as Cat woman in Batman Returns for their bullwhip scenes. Mr. De Longis can be seen in action during the Saber fight featured in the movie, Jet Li Fearless.

The weekend concluded with a martial arts tournament "The Dragon Challenge" on Sunday, April 15. Dannylin took the silver medal with her fan kata and silver in her personal empty hand form. Master Instructors, Dan and Tammylin Link, were proud of how their students performed and represented Link's Martial Arts at the weekend

spectacular. They were especially proud of their daughter Dannylin's performance and the honor she brought to the schools with her participation at the weekend's festivities.

Link's Martial Arts Tournament Standings

Dannylin Link- Mayville- silver forms-silver weapon forms
Patrick Harvancik-Horicon – silver forms – silver weapon forms
Georgia Krukar- Mayville - bronze forms – bronze weapon forms
Lauren Skell -Hartford- gold forms-gold weapon forms
Eric Skell-Hartford- silver forms – silver weapon forms & silver sparring
Marlee Christian-Beaver Dam- gold forms- gold weapon forms
Alicia Saunders-Waupun- silver forms – gold weapon forms
Jasmine Saunders-Waupun-super competitor forms and weapons

Picture

Dannylin Link with seasoned actor, fight choreographer and respected martial artist
Anthony De Longis- California

Dannylin Link with Martial Arts Legend Bill "Super Foot" Wallace.

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During the audition Lauren demonstrated her personal martial arts form she had created for her upcoming graduation to Junior Black Belt. The audition panel included LA talent agent Kevin Turner, actor Geoff Meed and actor/martial arts fight choreographer Anthony De Longis. The event was hosted by USA Martial Arts Hall of Fame Curator/Director Dr. Jim Thomas.

Additionally Lauren, "ran lines" with Geoff Meed from a script that had been provided to all the participants. Mr. Meed stated that he liked Lauren's sassiness. As a result of her outstanding audition, Lauren Skell was chosen as one of the three finalists from the Indiana audition. The Indiana finalists will now join 6 other finalists in the "Star Search" and one lucky winner will earn a walk-on role in a future Asylum Sci Fi movie.

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LMA TEAM Photo
Lauren Skell Photo