



Inspiring a Generation

# Phoenix Taekwondo

## The Journey



**What a fantastic theatrical evening for our Taekwondo Stage Show: "The Journey"!**



We were overwhelmed by the enthusiasm, talent and sheer professional attitude of all of our students on our show night, Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February at the Amey Theatre Abingdon. What a fantastic way to celebrate our anniversary of 20 years of Phoenix Taekwondo and 5 years of the club in Oxfordshire! Listening to the comments received after the show, it was obvious that



'The Journey' had hit the mark we were aiming for! We hope everyone enjoyed the show and we also want to take this opportunity to say a BIG Thanks to all of our student's parents and supporters who have helped make The Journey such a success by keeping to the rehearsals and practice times both inside and outside the class over the past 4 months or so. On the night there were almost 250 spectators in the audience, with some of our students being as young as 5 years old, that's a major achievement to be able to stand up and perform under the lights and music! Putting together the sales from the show tickets, the programmes sold and the charity buckets after the curtain came down, we managed to raise a phenomenal **£1400 for the ROSY Charity**: Respite nursing for Oxfordshire's Sick



Youngsters. ROSY representative and secretary, George Hedges, was in the audience to receive the initial giant Phoenix Taekwondo Cheque made out to ROSY.



See the photos at: <http://www.phoenixtaekwondo.net/galleryjourney.html>

### ++ Important Dates

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March: The Journey Show DVD Order Deadline**



## Taekwondo - The Journey: In Numbers



- ❑ 113 Phoenix Taekwondo members on stage.
- ❑ 244 spectator seats occupied in theatre
- ❑ 70 pieces of wood smashed and broken
- ❑ 1000 glo-sticks used!
- ❑ 22 music tracks
- ❑ 6 video-scenes
- ❑ 4 individual costume changes
- ❑ 1 giant dragon
- ❑ 1400 pounds raised for ROSY
- ❑ 20 years of Phoenix Taekwondo



### Black Belt Certification from Korea



Just in time for The Journey Stage Show (literally on the morning of the show), we received from the Kukkiwon – The World Taekwondo Federation Headquarters in Seoul, South Korea, the official Black Belt certificates for our 3 latest Black Belts, Dale, Kath and Dave. Perfect timing for the end of the show!

### VERY SPECIAL THANKS TO:



Just as there was so much going on 'On-Stage', there was also an awful lot of behind the scenes support and we would like to give special shout-outs to Sarah Clarke running the technical box, Jonny Clark for filming, Peter Herring for photography, Claire Smith for the hand-made Dragon, Aimee Dunthorne for helping out with the Little Dragons and our 2 Fire Marshals Andrea Smith and Mike Rickford.

**Programmes:** We still have a few Show Programmes leftover. If you were unlucky enough not to pick one up on the night of the show, or just want another one as a memento, please pick one up at the class for £1. The programmes have a list of all performers along with a photo portrait of each!

**Show DVD:** we have been asked by many students and parents about a commemorative DVD of The Journey. A special DVD to keep will be available for order at £10, the order **deadline is Sunday March 12<sup>th</sup>**. Note that the entire show will also be available on YouTube

## ++ This Months Little Dragons Tae-Yong

Well done to Jacob, Cailen Marie and Nathan for taking Tae-Yong home this month!! Who will it be next month?

