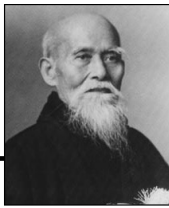


# Schools of Aikido



Morihei Ueshiba  
Founder of Aikido

This is not a definitive list of Aikido schools/sensei, but a list of teachers who have had great impact on Aikido and who you will want to read about. You can google them. With the exception of Koichi Tohei Sensei, all teachers pictured here have passed on, but their school/style/tradition of Aikido has been continued by their students. All of these styles of Aikido are taught in the United States, as well as in many other countries throughout the world.



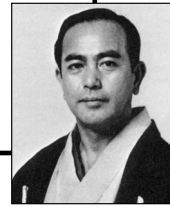
Gozo Shioda  
*Yoshinkai/Yoshinkan*



Morihiro Saito  
*Iwama Ryu*



Kisshomaru Ueshiba  
*Aikikai*



Koichi Tohei  
*Ki Society*



Rod Kobayashi  
*Seidokan*



Bill Sosa  
*International Aikido Association*

Ueshiba Sensei (Ô-Sensei) ... Founder of Aikido. Opened the school which has become known as the *Aikikai* in 1932. Ô-Sensei's son, Kisshomaru Ueshiba Sensei, became kancho of the *Aikikai* upon Ô-Sensei's death.

Shioda Sensei was one of Ô-Sensei's earliest students. Founded the *Yoshinkai* (or *Yoshinkan*) school in 1954.

Saito Sensei was Head Instructor of Ô-Sensei's school in the rural town of *Iwama* in Ibaraki Prefecture. Saito Sensei became kancho of *Iwama Ryu* upon Ô-Sensei's death.

Tohei Sensei was Chief Instructor of the *Aikikai* upon Ô-Sensei's death. In 1974 Tohei Sensei left the *Aikikai* and founded *Shin-Shin Toitsu* or "*Ki Society*" Aikido.

Kobayashi Sensei became the direct student of Tohei Sensei in 1961. Kobayashi Sensei was the Chief Lecturer of Ki Development and the Chief Instructor of Shin-Shin Toitsu Aikido for the Western USA Ki Society (under Koichi Tohei Sensei). In 1981, Kobayashi Sensei left the Ki Society and founded the *Seidokan*.

Sosa Sensei became the direct student of Tohei Sensei in the mid-1960's. When Kobayashi Sensei founded the *Seidokan* in 1981, Sosa Sensei affiliated with him. In 1995, Sosa Sensei left the *Seidokan* and founded the *International Aikido Association*.

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