# M/s Connections

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# Welcome to Our Newest MAsT Chapters!

MAsT: San José in Costa Rica MAsT: Vegas Valley in Nevada

# Regional MAsT Happenings!

# Northwest & Southeast Regions

Both the Northwest and Southeast Regional MAsT Meetings have occurred for this year. To read the minutes, please go to <a href="http://www.mast.net/news.php">http://www.mast.net/news.php</a>.





# Sept. 2: Northeast Regional MAsT Meeting Info!

You are invited to join the annual Northeast Regional MAsT Meeting on the final afternoon of <u>The Master/slave Conference 2019</u> at the Westin Tysons Corner in Falls Church, VA.

Join countless chapter leaders, members, and friends from all over country for an event that always ends one of our favorite conferences of the year on an inspiring high note.

- · Date: Monday, September 2, 2019
- · Time: 12:30 PM 2:00 PM
- · Location: Oaks Ballroom III

The early registration price of \$175 for MsC is still available until July 15 when it will be raised to \$200.

#### MAsT: Tasmania

We held a MAsT weekend on April 13 and 14 which was attended by 27 people. We hired accommodations in the beautiful highland town of Tarraleah, and some people stayed overnight on Daddy Paul and lyndal's farm, 18 kilometres away.



Not only did we hold a MAsT meeting on the Saturday, but over the weekend, we also had presentations from the chapter directors from Perth, Adelaide and Melbourne: Master Tag, MrKHyena, Master Joe and slave kim. We had breaks for coffee and snacks, and also a lovely dinner on Saturday night. Afterwards, we had a party where everybody relaxed and socialised, got to know each other.

On Sunday, we had more presentations and demonstrations at the farm. Several people had to leave early to drive long distances to get back home but the rest of us enjoyed further discussions and got to know more about the other chapter directors.

There is so much more I could say about the weekend but to sum it up, everybody seemed to enjoy themselves and we received a lot of positive comments about how helpful and useful the presentations were.

The photo above is of the MAsT directors who were present for the weekend. Note how Master Tag presents himself! Left to right: lyndal, Daddy Paul, MrKHyena, slave kim, Master Tag, Master Joe.

# More MAsT Happenings!



### MAsT: Santa Clara Contact Info!

Ticket Link: www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4258010

FetLife RSVP: www.fetlife.com/events/798151

Questions: MAsTSCC@gmail.com



#### Where in the World Are We?

Check out our MAsT Chapters Map!

# This Month's Member Spotlight is on Ms Rhonda & Tomo







Each newsletter, we ask interview questions of a some MAsT members. From our Northwest Region in MAsT: Sacramento. Take a moment and get two know these two wonderful folks!

#### How many years have you been in a power exchange relationship?

We have been in a power exchange relationship for 11 years. The first three years were gradually increasing authority exchange and for the last 8 years as Master and slave.

#### How long have you been a MAsT member? What are your role(s) in MAsT?

Ms Rhonda is a founding member of MAsT: Sacramento, formed in 2007. She was the Director of MAsT: Sacramento for 6 years and now serves as Secretary. Ms Rhonda was also the Northwest Regional Representative for 2 years and Secretary of the Board of Directors of MAsT: International for 2 years.

Tomo began her involvement with MAsT as a member of MAsT: Metro New York. Upon moving to California 7 years ago, she joined MAsT: Sacramento and is the current Director.

#### What benefits have you found being a member of MAsT?

MAsT provides a way to connect, communicate, and gain support from like-minded people who choose to live in an authority exchange relationship. We find both the monthly discussions as well as the friendships we have formed with other MAsT members from around the country invaluable.

During our title year as International Master and slave 2016, we traveled to many MAST groups to present classes and meet MAST members. We visited chapters in Canada, the United Kingdom, and countless chapters across the United States.

#### What are some of the highlights in your power exchange journey?

The biggest highlight for us is Tomo's move to California. After building our relationship between CA and NY (and many JetBlue flights), to live together in the same place was life-changing.

Another highlight was our opportunity to serve as Northwest Master and slave 2015 and International Master and slave 2016. We had great joy from traveling, teaching, and meeting so many people in our chosen lifestyle.

# What's a low moment in your power exchange journey and how did you recover or what did you learn from it?

In addition to being some of our most joyful time, the travel and pressure of being International titleholders also caused stress and low moments. We relied on our devotion to each other and the job we signed up to do to make it through those times and in the end, found ourselves closer than ever. We learned to make time for the moments alone, to say 'no', and to not lose focus on each other.

#### What's an interesting fact about you that most people don't know?

When we meet people or teach classes, we are complete open books. We are not sure that there is much people don't know. However, they may not know that Ms Rhonda won a beauty contest when she was 2 years old, and that Tomo is currently learning Italian.

Do you have any advice for people new to power exchange relationships or new chapter directors? Take it slow! New relationships require time, work, and development. We see far too many people exchanging authority too quickly rather than focus on building the foundation for the relationship to last.

#### What's your favorite quote?

Ms Rhonda's:

"Everyone you meet is fighting a battle you know nothing about. Be kind. Always."

Brad Metzler & various others

Tomo's:

"Just as a rock is not shaken in a storm, even so, the wise are not affected by praise or blame."

Buddha

#### Anything else you'd like to add?

Our thanks to all those who work so hard and contribute their time and efforts to support, grow, and help MAsT to thrive. It is a tremendously important organization that provides a place for those of us who choose to live this life.

# Regional M/s Titleholders





\*Check out what they're up to!



Master Michael and slave rebekah 2019 Southwest Master &

slave Titleholders

\*Check out what they're up to!



Master Rook and slave rook

2019 Northwest Master & slave Titleholders

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Master Luke & His victor

2019 Southeast Master & 
slave Titleholders



2019 Northeast Master & slave Titleholders
In early September, find out which Master & slave will represent the Northeast Region!



2019 Great Lakes
Master & slave
Titleholders
In late September, find which
Master & slave will represent
the Great Lakes Region!

# Your Regional Reps!

Regional Representatives

Australia and New Zealand: slave kim, Master Tag and Master Joe

(Regional Representative Emeritus)

Canada: Master T'Hayla
Caribbean: [Vacant]
Central America: [Vacant]
Europe: Master Michael

Great Lakes: <u>arcane</u> and <u>slave lyon</u>

Northeast: <u>Master Dante</u> and <u>Lady Ningal</u>

Northwest: <u>slave candice</u> and <u>slave evelyn</u>

Oceanic: [Vacant]

South America: [Vacant]
Southeast: Vile Master IceDog
Southwest: Lady Morgan





#### MAsT Chat

We have an e-group for all MAST members called MAST Chat! Just email koneko with your name, email and which MAST chapter you belong to and she will get you added!

# Your MAsT: International Board of Directors!

Chief Executive Officer: Ms Suzan
Director of Operations: Liza
Secretary: slave passion
Financial Officer: Master John

Regional Representative Director: <u>Master Michael</u>
Assistant Regional Representative Director: [Vacant]

Membership Director: Master Rodin
Assistant Membership Director: [Vacant]

Marketing Director: Master Bill Education Director: koneko

IT Director/Webmaster: Master Paul



