



## Yuki Ota (JPN)

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Yuki Ota is the first Japanese male athlete to win the Olympic Medal in Fencing.

Born in Shiga, Japan on November 25, 1985, he started foil in fencing at the age of 8.

He won 3 consecutive national titles at All Japan High School Championships, and likewise became the national champion at the age of 17. After the jump-start, he has become the four-time Olympian (Athens 2004, Beijing 2008, London 2012, and Rio 2016), two-time Olympic silver medalist (individual in 2008, team in 2012), and the World Champion in 2015.

As his life event, he plans and organizes several fencing events such as “Yuki Ota Cup” for elementary school children and “Super Fencing” with the goal of popularizing the sport throughout Japan.

In 2013 he was chosen as the Bid Ambassador for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games and deeply contributed to the successful bidding. The same year he was elected in Budapest as a Member of the FIE Athletes’ Commission and later, in Paris, as President of the Commission, and as such, he became ex-officio Member of the FIE Executive Committee.

He ended his sport career after his fourth Olympic Games in Rio, 2016.

At the FIE Elective Congress in Moscow in 2016, Yuki Ota was elected Member of the FIE Executive Committee. In 2017 he became President of the Japan Fencing Federation. At the eve of the Congress 2018 in Paris, Yuki Ota was elected by the Executive Committee as FIE Vice President.

### Sport Achievements:

- 2001-2003: Won 3 back-to-back champion titles at All Japan High School (Inter-Hi) Championships (Men’s Foil Individual)
- 2002: Won All Japan Championships title (Men’s Foil Individual)
- 2004: 9th place at the Athens Olympic Games (Men’s Foil Individual)
- 2005: Gold at the Universiade in Turkey (Men’s Foil Team)
- 2006: Gold at the 15th Asian Games in Doha (Men’s Foil Individual)
- 2007: Won All Japan Championships title (Men’s Foil Individual)
- 2008: Silver at the Beijing Olympic Games (Men’s Foil Individual)
- 2009: Gold at the World Cup title in Cuba (Men’s Foil Individual)
- 2007-2009: Won 3 back-to-back champion titles at the Asian Championships (Men’s Foil Individual)
- 2010: Gold at the Prince Takamado Trophy World Cup in Japan (Men’s Foil Individual)
- 2010: Bronze medals at the Paris World Championships (Men’s Foil Individual and Team)
- 2012: Silver at the London Olympic Games (Men’s Foil Team)
- 2014: Bronze at the World Cup in Spain (Men’s Foil Individual)
- 2014: Silver at the World Cup in Cuba (Men’s Foil Individual)
- 2014: Gold at the Asian Games in Korea (Men’s Foil Team)
- 2015: Silver at the World Cup in Germany (Men’s Foil Individual)
- 2015: Gold at the Moscow World Championships (Men’s Foil Individual)