Peak Pilates® Senior Master Instructor, Mentor and Leadership Team Member, Kayoko Takada| Tokyo, Japan



#### Why did you start taking Pilates classes?

I started to take Pilates classes hoping to acquire the special approach to enhance my over 15 years of teaching fitness.

#### What inspired you to become a <u>Certified Peak Pilates®</u> <u>Instructor</u> and then a Peak Pilates Master Instructor?

I thought it was the best way to make the Pilates method known to the Japanese through

the established teaching methodology of Peak Pilates®.

# What do you love about teaching Pilates classes?

I love integrating movement science into artistic quality of dancing/ballet.

#### What is your favorite apparatus?

My favorite equipment's are <u>Cadillac</u> and <u>Chair</u>. They offer exercises in accordance with an individual's progression.

#### What makes Pilates such a great workout?

The Pilates method can approach not only body but mind and emotion, which is great.

# Share a memory from your experience as a teacher/coach/presenter that embodies the value of being a Certified Peak Pilates Instructor or Peak Pilates Master Instructor?

Peak Pilates Global Network means a lot to me because it shows new values to me. It's my joy and purpose in my life to be able to work with a Master trainer at the international conference where we can share common values with my Asian peers.

## What advice would you give to someone who is thinking about becoming a Certified

## Peak Pilates Instructor?

I can assure you that learning the Peak Pilates philosophy through your commitment to the established approach is very beneficial.

## Do you have a hero in the Pilates community, someone who deserves recognition for their leadership?

Zoey Trap is a hero to the Japanese MIs. She's been helping us from the start to spread the Pilates method in Japan through Peak Pilates.

# Is there anything about you that would surprise people?

I'm a PhD. student in business. I've been studying economic results that come with exercise adherence by emotional approach.

#### General Biographical information:

I hold master's degree in movement science, MBA. I'm also a pharmacist.

# List relevant professional certifications in health and fitness (define acronyms):

I provide and teach exercises in safe and appropriate way for people in fitness gyms, hospitals, adult day-care center under license by Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare.

## What year did you join the Peak Pilates Master Instructor Team?

## Where do you teach Pilates classes and/or Pilates Certifications/ Continuing Education workshops:

Pilates Alliance Organization