2015 Northwest District Buddhist Convention "Everyday Rhythm of the Nembutsu"

February 13 – 15, 2015

Early Registration Deadline: December 31, 2014 Last Day to Register: January 20, 2015

Convention Preview:

Experience the Dharma through music at the 68th Northwest District Convention!

Reconnect with old friends and make new ones. This year's venue, the Westin Bellevue near Bellevue Square and downtown Bellevue, is perfect for a mid-winter "retreat" for the entire family. Spend time in our hospitality suite, relax at the convention banquet, and enjoy old and new friendships throughout the weekend.

<u>Interesting and original workshop choices from excellent guest presenters</u>. Our keynote speaker Rev. Harry Bridge of the Buddhist Church of Oakland is a talented musician. He, along with Bishop Umezu, our Northwest District Ministers and guest facilitators will conduct innovative, interactive workshops such as

"Making Buddhism Real"

"Sing! The NW Gatha Book"

"The Modern (Buddhist) Family"

"Spirituality and Music: Gathas and Music

"Pointing to the Moon"

for Jodo Shinshu Services"

We will also present two workshops in Japanese.

<u>Programs and activities just for kids and Jr./Sr. YBA</u>. A Dharma School program for elementary school aged children and workshops for Junior and Senior YBA aged teens and young adults will be a significant focus of this year's convention.

<u>New music and an opportunity to jam with musicians from around the region (bring your instruments)</u>. We will introduce new gathas at the convention and incorporate opportunities for musicians within our Sangha to join in the fun.

This year's convention promises to be a fun event. We hope you will join us!

Registration Information:				
Group	Section	Registration Fee		
Adult	English/Japanese	\$125 (\$150 after 12/31 deadline)		
Youth	Jr. & Sr. YBA (7 th - College)	\$90 (\$115 after 12/31 deadline)		
Child	Dharma School (K – 6th grade)	\$70 (Includes children's dinner)		
Adult Evening	Banquet/Entertainment only	\$80 (\$105 after 12/31 deadline)		
Child Evening	Banquet/Entertainment only	\$35 (Includes children's dinner)		

Meal Selections:

(Note: All participants will be offered the same Saturday lunch choices. For Saturday dinner please register your child as a youth for adult dinner choices.)

- **Saturday Lunch:** Choice of Roasted chicken breast or Vegetarian ravioli.
- **Saturday Dinner:** Choice of Columbia basin steelhead, Crusted potato gallete, or Skagit Valley flat iron steak. Children's meal (tentative): Cheeseburger plate.
- **Optional Sunday Bento:** We will be offering a Bento on Sunday for \$12.00. Please indicate below whether you are interested and include this fee with your registration payment.
- Please list below any dietary needs or food restrictions/allergies. We will notify the hotel and attempt to accommodate these requests if possible.

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Registration Form:					
Attendee #1 Name:		Dietary Needs:			
Saturday Lunch (Chicken, Ravioli or N/A)	Saturday Dinner (Fish, Beef, Potato, or Kid's)				
Attendee #2 Name:		Dietary Needs:			
Saturday Lunch (Chicken, Ravioli or N/A)	Saturday Dinner (Fish, Beef, Potato, or Kid's)				
Attendee #3 Name:		Dietary Needs:			
Saturday Lunch (Chicken, Ravioli or N/A)	Saturday Dinner (Fish, Beef, Potato, or Kid's)				
Attendee #4 Name:		Dietary Needs:			
Saturday Lunch (Chicken, Ravioli or N/A)	Saturday Dinner (Fish, Beef, Potato, or Kid's)				
Attendee #5 Name:		Dietary Needs:			
Saturday Lunch (Chicken, Ravioli or N/A)	Saturday Dinner (Fish, Beef, Potato, or Kid's)				
Attendee #6 Name:		Dietary Needs:			
Saturday Lunch (Chicken, Ravioli or N/A)	Saturday Dinner (Fish, Beef, Potato, or Kid's)				

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Payment Summary:

Please itemize and calculate your payment total. Checks should be made payable to: **Seattle Buddhist Church 2015 Convention,** 1427 South Main Street, Seattle, WA 98144. Please note that the final registration deadline is **January 20, 2015**.

Attendee	Group (Adult, Youth, Child, Adult Eve., Child Eve.)	Early/Late Registration Fee (\$125/\$150, \$90/\$115, \$70, \$80/\$105, \$35)	Bento: Yes \$12; No \$0.00	Total \$ Across by Attendee #		
#1						
#2						
#3						
#4						
#5						
#6						
Total Payment						

Registration Cancellation and Refund Policy:

If a registrant needs to cancel a registration fee, Seattle Buddhist Church will accept the cancellation under the following circumstances:

- Cancellation request must be made in writing and sent via email to <u>convention@seattlebetsuin.com</u> or by regular mail to Seattle Buddhist Church, 1427 South Main Street, Seattle, WA 98144, 206-329-0800.
- Cancellation request must be **received** by a Seattle Buddhist Church representative by **January 31, 2015, 4:00 p.m.**
- Refund checks will be processed by March 15, 2015.

If you need to request a cancellation after the above deadline, we will be unable to process any refunds as hotel facility plans will already have been made.

Please communicate with us if you need to cancel your hotel room reservation. We would like the opportunity to transfer your room reservation to other registrants at the discounted rate, if possible.

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Contact Information:						
Home Phone:	Mobile Phone:					
Email:		Temple:				

Hotel Accommodations:

Delegates are responsible for their own hotel accommodations.

A room block has been reserved for our convention at The Westin Bellevue. Discounted room rates are available for \$155 per night plus occupancy tax, **subject to availability**. Overnight self parking on Friday and Saturday is complimentary. To receive the discounted rate, please be sure to mention you are attending the **Northwest District Buddhist Convention** when making your reservations. The hotel room block closes on **January 20, 2015, 5:00 p.m. local time**.

The Westin Bellevue 600 Bellevue Way NE Bellevue, WA 98004

Reservations: 1-888-627-8084 or visit www.seattlebetsuin.org for link to Westin Room Block.

www.westinbellevuehotel.com

Contact us

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