



Wheel of the Sangha

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Jodo Shinshu Nishi Hongwanji-ha

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“Thinking of Bon Odori songs”

by Rimban Katsuya Kusunoki

Seattle Betsuin 89th Bon Odori is going to be held on Saturday, July 17th, at 4:00 PM. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the committee decided to have Bon Odori virtually again this year. Seattle Betsuin Bon Odori always includes a couple of songs related to Jodo Shinshu teaching and our mother temple, Hongwanji. I would like to express deepest my appreciation that the committee members cherish our teaching and tradition.

On this opportunity, I would like to introduce three Obon songs related to Jodo Shinshu teaching and Hongwanji. These are Oyama Ondo, Mikokoro, Nembutsu Daiko. I tried my best to translate these lyrics into English. These are my interpretation and appreciation of these songs. Please have a moment to think about the meanings of these songs. The lyricists condensed and put their appreciation of Amida Buddha and Shinran Shonin into these lyrics. This year, please enjoy the Obon dance over thinking of these meanings.

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Oyama Ondo (Song of Hongwanji) lyrics by Rev. Masayoshi Sugimoto

Water splash ginkgo tree (in the precincts of Hongwanji) is brightly colored.

Gold-colored leaves are scattered in autumn sky.

Ah~ Ah~, with countless nembutsu friends, get together in unison and dance, Hongwanji

Joyfully walking the true nembutsu path

With longing to someday encoun-

ter the Amida Buddha
Ah~ Ah~, with countless Nembutsu friends, let us unite together in one heart, Hongwanji

Putting our palms together
Having gratefully received Amida Buddha's profound guidance
Ah~ Ah~, with countless nembutsu friends, let us be grateful to be alive, Hongwanji

Our lives are shining,
Joined together by the beat of the Taiko drum high on the Yagura stand

Ah~ Ah~, with yukata hems flying,

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Rimban Kusunoki chanting Nembutsu Shoshinge at NW Ministers Joint Gotan-e Service on May 23, 2021

Join Seattle Betsuin's Virtual Groups:

Book Study, Meditation, Dharma Exchange, p.8

To receive Links to join these groups e-mail:

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specify the group in the subject line

Virtual 10:00AM Services: Sunday, Wednesday, & Sat., June 12, 2021 with Shotsuki Hoyo

Go to <https://youtube.com/seattlebuddhisttemple>
Search “playlists” for past services.

Calendar: p. 19 and at SeattleBetsuin.com/calendar

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...Rimban's Message continued from p. 1

we dance with countless nembutsu friends,
Hongwanji

Dancing together in a big circle,
It is a Bon Odori night!
Ah~ Ah~, with countless nembutsu friends, let us all
join together and dance, Hongwanji

Mikokoro (Compassion) lyrics by Rev. Koran Okahashi

(Amida) Buddha's compassion is vast and extensive.
Buddha's compassionate light shines upon us any-
where and anytime,
Upon all, men, and women, young and old
Without abandoning anyone, including those who
commit evil
Saving them all as is the Buddha wish;
That is the truth of the Buddha compassion.

(Amida) Buddha's compassion is vast and extensive.
Everything in this world is constantly changing.
There is no avoiding the winds of impermanence.
Cherry blossoms blooming today will eventually fall.
Listening to the path of Dharma.
We become one with the Buddha of immeasurable Life

(Amida) Buddha's compassion is vast and extensive.
Anyone who listens to the six character of Namoam-
idabutsu
Is embraced by Buddha's Infinite Wisdom and Com-
passion
Those who go first, and those who go later
They are all born in the Amida Buddha's Pure Land

Nembutsu Daiko lyrics by Rev. Koran Okahashi

Wearing *Sumi* (black / dark gray) colored robes and *kesa*
Studying, walking, and running around *Mt. Hiei* for
twenty years
Encountering and cultivating the teaching of *Tariki*
(Amida's Other Power)
Pure Land, True teaching of Nembutsu
Spread the Teachings all over the World. Pass it
down to children and grandchildren.

Namoamidabutsu Amidabutsu, Shinran-sama,
Thank you!
*Do-don-tone, so-re, Do-don-tone, With Nembutsu
Taiko, Do-don-tone*

Being born in the (Japan) historical time of societal
disturbance.
Putting palms together and facing adversity and
Hardships of impermanence, Nembutsu teaches the
true Dharma

Compassionately writing letters of *Gobunsho*
Spread the Teachings all over the World. Pass it
down to children and grandchildren.
Namoamidabutsu Amidabutsu, Rennyō-sama,
Thank you!
*Do-don-tone, so-re, Do-don-tone, With Nembutsu
Taiko, Do-don-tone*

To the east and west of the Capital city of Kyoto,
large Buddhist temples rise.
The sound of temple bells ringing in the morning
and evening-
represents Amida Buddha's calling voice, the voice
of compassion.
The sounds resonates deeply and calls on us to"
Listen to the Dharma".
Spread the Teachings over the World. Pass it down
to children and grandchildren.
Namoamidabutsu Amidabutsu, Hotoke (Buddha)-
sama, Thank you!
*Do-don-tone, so-re, Do-don-tone, With Nembutsu
Taiko, Do-don-tone*



Plans for the 89th Seattle Bon Odori - VSBO 2021

The Seattle Bon Odori Committee has been closely monitoring the Covid-19 pandemic activity in our community; and out of an abundance of caution has decided to **suspend in-person Bon Odori this year**. Similar to last year, we are planning on premiering Virtual Seattle Bon Odori (VSBO) in the evening of **Saturday, July 17, 2021**.

In addition to our online event, we will be offering a selection of favorite foods, cocktail kits and merchandise drive-thru pick-up prior to the premiere of VSBO 2021. Enjoy our home-made Bon Odori menu items from the comfort of your home during the premiere of VSBO! Online ordering and additional information will be coming shortly.



Ron T. Hamakawa
Chairperson
Seattle Bon Odori

Bon Odori has always been a time for our community to gather and celebrate the lives of our ancestors with deep gratitude and appreciation. While we will not be gathering physically this year, we hope you will spend this Obon season reflecting on your loved ones and dance with joy.

Mask up, stay safe and we look forward to seeing you at our drive-thru event, as well as during the premiere of VSBO 2021.

In Gassho (palms together),

Rev. Katsuya Kusunoki
Rinban (Head Minister)
Seattle Betsuin



Betsuin Tea Talk

by Leanne Nishi-Wong
"Temple News"

Kawabe Grant – The Kawabe Memorial Foundation - Bank of America, N.A., Trustee, awarded the Betsuin \$10,000 for the ADA bathroom remodel. The Betsuin is grateful to the Kawabe Memorial Foundation committee for their generous grant. Thank you to Grace Tazuma and Ann Oxrieder for their leadership, in writing and accepting the grant proposal, on behalf of the temple.

Salmon Bento Fundraiser – A shout out to Howard Luke and his volunteers for the salmon bento event. More than 1,100 bentos from Migoto Restaurant were pre-ordered and picked up from the temple. Thank you to all who participated in this fundraising event.

Gotan-e - Shinran Shonin's Birthday! – Following the Gotan-e service, Dharma Exchange welcomed Gail Kamanishi, as the guest speaker. She detailed her traveling experiences in Mongolia and her involvement in the Maitreya Charity non-profit, which provides assistance, training and support to the people of Mongolia. The temple also hosted an in-person

oshoko event and each participant went home with a piece of cake and a sekihan onigiri. The weather was perfect for an outdoor, safely distanced, celebration.

KSP - The Kids Summer Program will not be held, in June, due to safety guidelines. The temple sends well wishes to all who were looking forward to participating and hope they enjoy their Summer.

Bon Odori – An in-person event will not be held this year. There will be a virtual presentation on July 17th, as well as drive thru food options prepared by the Obon Committee. Information is forthcoming regarding services, the Obon presentation, food and merchandise.

Staff Announcement - Joan Nakano, Administrative Director of the Betsuin, will be retiring from her position at the beginning of 2022. We will miss seeing her smiling face in the front office. Fortunately for the temple, Joan will continue her position as a Dharma School teacher and sangha member. A detailed job description and application form will be available in September.

Thank you for your continued support of the Betsuin.

In Gassho,
Leanne

VIRTUAL ALL SANGHA MEMORIAL SERVICE

SENBOKAI-IN TSUITO HOYO

Sunday, June 6, 2021, 10:00 AM

The annual **ALL SANGHA MEMORIAL SERVICE** will be streamed on the Betsuin YouTube channel on **Sunday, June 6, 2021, at 10AM**. This important service is dedicated to honoring the lives and contributions of members and friends of the temple who have gone before us.

During the All Sangha Memorial Service, photos of those being remembered will be shown. We invite families of the deceased to submit the name and a photo of their loved one to office@seattlebetsuin.com. Please limit the file size of photographs to 100KB and include your name and telephone number in your e-mail message. Photos submitted for previous year's services will be shown again unless the office is notified. If no photo is available, you may submit just the person's name to the same e-mail address, and it will be shown during the service.

The deadline for submission of photos and names is May 30th.

We cannot guarantee that photos/names received after the deadline will be included.

In Gassho,, *Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple*, (206) 329-0800

-JN

Watch any time!

**2021 Seattle Betsuin Hanamatsuri Service (premiered April 11)
Earth Day Music Service and EcoSangha Seminar (premiered April 18) on
[YouTube.com/SeattleBuddhistTemple](https://www.youtube.com/SeattleBuddhistTemple)**

Musical Notes

by Kemi Nakabayashi

This month to coincide with honoring Rev. Seigen H. Yamaoka for his many years of service in various roles for BCA including former Bishop of BCA and his retirement from the Institute of Buddhist Studies, the Chanting and Music webpage of the BCA website will feature the gatha recordings from the ***Shin Buddhist Service Book*** with Rev. Yamaoka's lyrics. These gathas are *Amida's Way* composed by Bob Bennett, *Heart of Amida* composed by Chizu Iwanaga, and *Higan* composed by Hiro Imamura. The recording of *Higan* that will be posted is a choral rendition by the Pacific Mozart Ensemble. Look for obon gatha recordings to be posted subsequently on the BCA website for the summer obon season.

In addition, please note the CBE online seminar "**Kinnara: The Roots of Taiko in the U.S.**" on **Saturday, June 26**. BCA Minister Emeritus Rev. Masao Kodani along with Johnny Mori and other members of Kinnara Taiko will be featured in a program moderated by Rev. Jerry Hirano. The registration information is located on the summer CBE flyer on the BCA website: <https://www.buddhistchurchesofamerica.org/buddhist-education?pgid=kkxaoxpb-66e61df2-cef8-4634-95ea-776433d5c809>

2021 Seattle Betsuin Gotan-e



Thank you to Sangha members and friends who joined us for our Gotan-e events this past weekend.

To celebrate Shinran Shonin's birthday, we launched the #ShareTheDharma campaign, in hopes of sharing the Nembutsu teaching with all. This past Sunday we had a record number of Dharma Exchange attendees, as well as a large turnout at our Outdoor Oshoko event. The weather was perfect as we visited with Shinran Shonin in Wisteria Park and in front of Memorial Hall.

The temple is grateful to all attendees, as well as volunteers who made 2021 Gotan-e successful.

Sekihan makers: Nina Tomita-Kato, Gail Suzaka, Tomi Zumoto, Susie Yamane, Haru Hirota & Family, Mayumi Terada & Family, Kiyo Takashima, Karen Akira, Ayano Kusunoki,

Machiko Wada, Leanne Nishi-Wong, Shirley Shimada, Etsu Shimbo, Kanako & James Kashima, Suzanne Fujinari, Aiko Fujii.

Cake/Chi-Chi Mochi bakers: Joan Nakano, Ayano Kusunoki, Howard Luke, Marie Kosai-Luke, Susie Taketa, Ron Hamakawa

Ministerial Staff: Rinban Katsuya Kusunoki, Rev. Irene Goto, Minister's Assistant Jason Yokoyama, Minister's Assistant Leonora Clarke, Minister's Assistant Alex Sakamoto

Special thanks to Junior YBA, BWA, Communications Committee, led by Tyler Moriguchi and Dharma Exchange presenter Gail Kaminishi for their support of this event!

Mask up, stay safe, and we hope to gather again soon!



Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Women's Association

Submitted by Janie Okawa

SBBWA's Mission is to cultivate religious awareness as Jodo Shinshu Buddhist women and promote fellowship among its members; to serve and support the Seattle Betsuin, and contribute services to the welfare of the community.



For Gotan-e, May 16th, many SBBWA members volunteered to make sekihan as a way to celebrate Shinran Shonin's birthday. Over 240 musubis were made for the event. Some volunteers made practice batches, and some made double batches. Suzanne F. was kind enough to share her recipe, and pictures of the cooking steps. A big thank you to: Machiko W., Karen A., Kiyoko T., Haru H. and family, Mayumi T.



and family, Leanne N-W., Ayano K., Suzanne F., Shirley S., Etsu S., Kanako K., & James K., Susie Y., Tomi Z., Nina T-K., and Gail S.

Walk for Rice Team SBBWA supports the ACRS fundraiser, Walk for Rice each year with a team of walkers. Because of the pandemic, this has become a virtual event.

ACRS has collaborated with dozens of community groups and volunteers to transform our food bank into a complex food home delivery operation. ACRS now provides 2,250 bags of groceries and 2,000 culturally familiar meals to homebound seniors and people in need each week. Your fundraising efforts help end food scarcity among Asian and Pacific Islanders. See their website walkforrice.org and p. 10 for details.

Please consider making supporting this cause at **Make a Donation:** Register and [give online](#). Our team name is (changed to) **SBBWA**.

Well wishes...We will miss our long-time member, past president, and past FBWA president, Shizue Yahata, and wish Shizue well with her family in Los Angeles.

Congratulations...

Dr. Daniel Kashima and Dr. Cindy Kaing flew to Seattle from Michigan, and were married at the Seattle Arboretum Upper Woodland Pond on May 5, 2021. It was a very COVID wedding, with just the Kashima family present to witness this joyous occasion officiated by Rinban Katsuya Kusunoki.

- Kanako



ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE...

We would like to “thank” the following for contributing their **2021** sustaining membership dues - the basic dues towards Temple maintenance/operations (i.e.- remodel of ‘flower room’ in the Memorial Hall) and operations and programs (i.e. – Live Streaming services; Virtual Sunday Services; lecture series, meditation service, book study group). The minimum for individual membership is \$400 (for under 70 years of age), and \$350 (for 70 years of age and over).

Lauren Asaba, Marian Asaba, Suteko Sue Fujino, Gordon Habu & Mae Yamasaki, Peggy Hanada, Curtis & Charlene Nakayama, Masako Sako, Pauline Sakuma, Gary & Debbie Shibata, Franklin Shinoda, Sonoe Taketa, Sadie Yamasaki, Steve & Valerie Yamasaki

(Compiled by Howard, Joan, Pauline & Steph)

Seattle Betsuin

Sunday Dharma Exchange

11:00AM - 11:30AM

Zoom

Every Sunday!

The Zoom link appears in our *Weekly E-Newsletter* -

Sign up for our Weekly E-Newsletter at:

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/rjidJqn/betsuinweekly>

2021 Topics of Discussion:

June 6 Rimban Kusunoki on Funeral and Memorial Services

June 13 Irene Goto on *Sotaro and Tomoko Kawabe*

June 20 Irene Goto on *Fathers’ Day*

June 27 Rimban Kusunoki on OBon Tradition

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WE'RE KEEPING OUR LINKS BRIGHT AND STRONG



JR YBA NEWS submitted by Grace Tazuma

In the spirit of keeping our youth engaged and to ensure that Jodo Shin Shu remains relevant in their lives, we gathered safely together at the temple's North Bend campsite last month.

We enjoyed a beautiful outdoor service led by Rev. Kusunoki, musical accompaniment by Hieu M. and chanting with the cherry blossom petals falling all around us.

The group participated in team building activities and also made thank you cards and gratitude posters for frontline healthcare workers.

Meditation meets each Sunday morning at 9:00AM—

9:45AM. We open with SanBujo, Sit in Gratitude Meditation for 20 minutes, chant Nembutsu and close with discussion. Please join us on Zoom! Email newsletter@seattlebetsuin.com and specify SBC Meditation to receive the link.

Buddhist Book Study Our next meeting will take place on Saturday, June 12, 2021, in person, outdoors at SAAM at 11:00AM. We will discuss one chapter from a book called "Stories of the Lotus Sutra". It is the chapter that discusses the Parable of the Burning House. BDK has the PDF of the Lotus Sutra online [here](#). The parable starts on page 72 of the PDF (56 of the text). Please contact Wayne Suyenaga or newsletter@seattlebetsuin.com for exact location at SAAM. See you there!

Submitted by Irene Goto

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BCA Connect

(Buddhist Churches of America)

Sign up! The BCA newsletter is where you can find all the temples' live-streams, workshops, and messages from temples across the country.

<https://www.buddhistchurchesofamerica.org/connect/>

Cub Scout Pack 252 registration is open!

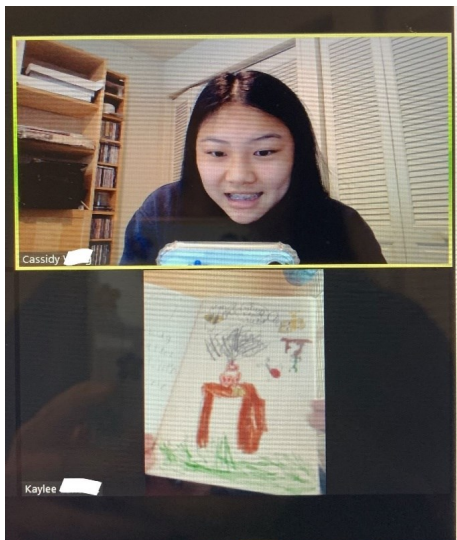
Do you know a kid who likes to have fun? We'd love to have them join us. 252 has been meeting at SBC for more than 80 years. Each year is packed with Scouting activities like hikes, pinewood derby, and outdoor fun. Even during this crisis we were able to visit the Seattle police horses, launch model rockets, and get together at the temple's North Bend property. Anyone entering Kindergarten and up is welcome. We meet at noon every other Sunday in the basement after temple service. Please contact our Cubmaster, rob.ketcherside@gmail.com

Sincerely,
Rob Ketcherside



Camp Fire submitted by Ann Wong

Flying Squirrels submitted by Cassidy



We continue to have video meetings and are working on the Trail to Environment. The girls had fun learning about animals, habitats and beneficial bugs such as ladybugs, butterflies, bees and caterpillars.

One of the activities included

drawing a picture featuring these bugs below:

Turtles submitted by Akiko Yabuki

Turtles are finishing up our Trail to Creativity. Some of us met with the Alicorns and Flying Squirrels at the Candy Sale celebration at Camp Sealth!

We have been meeting over zoom the past year and a half and cannot wait until the time we can meet in person very soon!

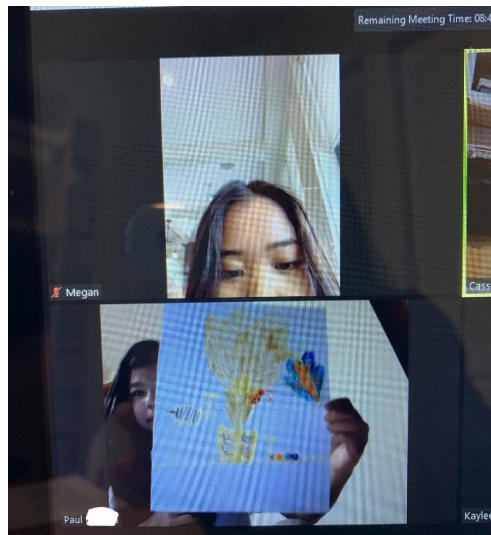
Lemonades submitted by Cassidy

The Lemonades are continuing to work on their advocacies towards their WoHeLo.

We are planning a hike and volunteer day very soon and are looking forward to spending some time together.

A message from Cassidy:

THANK YOU so much to those who have shown support to me towards my advocacy. Together, I currently have over 50 pillowcases made to donate to the non-profit organization, Ryan's Case for Smiles. The pillowcases will brighten and improve the quality of life for children going through cancer treatment. If you are interested in helping sew pillowcases and/or making a donation of any amount towards sewing materials, please contact Cassidy at cassidy.wong23@gmail.com for more information.



SBBWA is again sponsoring a virtual team this year in the ACRS Walk for Rice fundraiser

Your donations help feed those in need in our own community! Our team name is **SBBWA** and the goal is \$1000. You can donate by going to walkforrice.org and searching for SBBWA under Team names. **Thank you!**

Walk for Rice is teaming up virtually this year with new commemorative prizes and exciting team challenge tracks: Health & Wellness, Food & Fun, and Creative!

Why We Walk for Rice

About 5,500 people rely on ACRS' food bank and meals programs a year, making it the most visited food bank in King County that regularly provides foods familiar to A&PI diets. The majority of food recipients are elders and children from low-income A&PI households.

Since the start of the pandemic, ACRS has collaborated with dozens of community groups and volunteers to transform our food bank into a complex food home delivery operation. ACRS now provides 2,250 bags of groceries and 2,000 culturally familiar meals to homebound seniors and people in need each week.

Your fundraising efforts help end food scarcity among Asian and Pacific Islanders.

Make a Donation: Register and [give online](http://walkforrice.org)

Our goal is to raise \$210,000 for *Walk for Rice* this year. Join us in ending hunger and nourishing hope, voice and opportunity for Asian and Pacific Islander communities.



Save the Date for Styrofoam Recycling - tentative date Monday

July 5 -11AM. Please watch your July newsletter and weekly email news for confirmation of the date. See <http://www.styrorecycle.com/> for guidelines. *Styrene foam is going green! They've moved! Visit their new location in Kent "PARK 234". Now located at 23418 68th Ave S. (West Valley Hwy) Kent, WA 98032. Closed Saturdays, Sundays and major Holidays.*

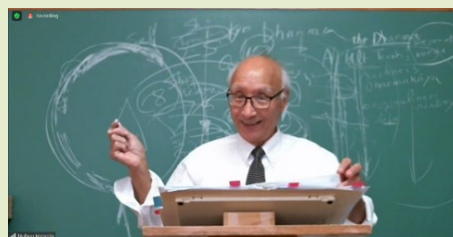
Submitted by Gail Kaminishi

Rev. Dr. Nobuo Haneda delivered his lecture *Outline of Shinran Shonin's Teaching*

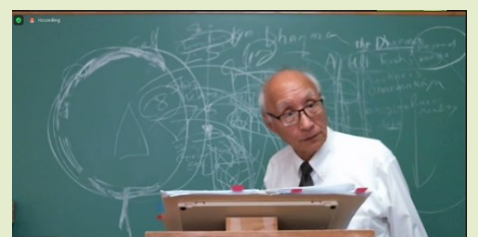
via Zoom on May 1 from Maida Center <http://maida-center.org>



Pluses and minuses are dynamic, not oneness, not fixed...



Buddhism negates attachment, especially to the wrong self...



Shakyamuni and Shinran both taught self-examination...

Submitted by Irene Goto

The Seattle Betsuin Gratefully Acknowledges The Following Donations 2021 April - May

Funeral / Memorial / Nokotsudo:

	<u>Given by:</u>
Nokotsudo for Okada Family	\$ 1,000.00 Janice Divina
Noboru Kawada – Funeral Service	\$ 400.00 Cheryl Nitta
Tsugio Jack Matsui – 3 rd Year Memorial	\$ 300.00 Gail Suzaka
Akio Nishizaki – 7 th Year Memorial	\$ 300.00 Mabel Nishizaki
Yayeko Terada – 33 rd Year Memorial	\$ 500.00 Ronald & Suzuko Terada
	\$ 100.00 Kayoko Terada
Ryoto Yabuki – 16 th Year Memorial	\$ 30.00 Akiko Yabuki
Masayuki Shimada – In Memory of	\$ 25.00 Shirley Shimada

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Given by:

Noboru Kawada	Mabel Nishizaki
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Kenny & Yoshie Dodobara	Appreciation for Monpo Class & Shotsuki Mainichi
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Lori Hamamoto	Appreciation for Seminar

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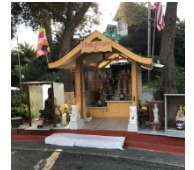
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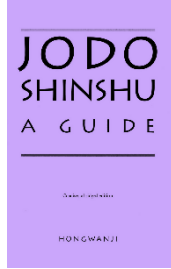
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- **MURYOKO** 'Infinite Light'



Journal of Shin Buddhism (main articles): <http://nembutsu.info/contents.htm> This is from the Australian Jodo Shin group.

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<p>SATURDAY JUNE 19 *11 am - 1 pm REGISTER ONLINE</p>	<p>EMBRACED AND NEVER ABANDONED: JODO SHINSHU AND LGBTQ+ Rev. Ko'e A. Umezu West Los Angeles Buddhist Temple</p>	 Rev. Umezu 
<p>SATURDAY JUNE 26 *11 AM - 1 PM REGISTER ONLINE</p>	<p>KINNARA: THE ROOTS OF TAIKO IN THE US Discussion with Rev. Masao Kodani, BCA Minister Emeritus, and Johnny Mori & other members of Kinnara Taiko Moderator: Rev. Jerry Hirano, CBE Director</p>	 Rev. Kodani  Johnny Mori
<p>SATURDAY JULY 3 *11 AM - 1 PM REGISTER ONLINE</p>	<p>SHINSHU AND CHRISTIANITY Rev. David Quirke-Thornton Shin Buddhist Fellowship, United Kingdom</p>	 Rev. Quirke-Thornton 
<p>SATURDAY JULY 24 *11 AM - 1 PM REGISTER ONLINE</p>	<p>CREATING INCLUSIVE SANGHAS: WORKING COMPASSIONATELY WITH OUR THOUGHTS & ASSUMPTIONS Mushim Patricia Ikeda East Bay Meditation Center Rev. Harry Bridge Buddhist Church of Oakland</p>	 Mushim Ikeda  Rev. Bridge
<p>SATURDAY AUGUST 7 *11 AM - 1 PM REGISTER ONLINE</p>	<p>THE ESSENCE OF THE THREE PURE LAND SUTRAS & HOW WE CHANT THEM Rev. Kiyonobu Kuwahara Berkeley Buddhist Temple Rinban Katsuya Kusunoki Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple</p>	 Rev. Kuwahara  Rev. Kusunoki
<p>SATURDAY AUGUST 21 *11 AM - 1 PM REGISTER ONLINE</p> <p>(3-25)</p>	<p>RENNYO'S CONTRIBUTION TO HONGWANJI THOUGHT Rev. Dr. Mutsumi Wondra Orange County Buddhist Church</p>	 Rennyō Shōnin  Rev. Wondra

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Buddhist Churches of America [BCA NWD Joint Gotanye Service - YouTube](#)



The service order: 1. Opening Remarks by Rev. Jerry Hirano, Idaho Oregon Buddhist Temple 2. Sanbujo led by Rev. Irene Goto, Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple 3. Nembutsu Shoshinge led by Rev. Katsuya Kusonoki, Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple 4. Nembutsu & Ekoku led by Rev. Yuki Sugahara, Oregon Buddhist Temple 5. Reading of the Preface of KyoGyoShinSho led by Rev. Jim Warrick, White River Buddhist Temple 6. English Dharma Message by Rev. Tadao Koyama, Tacoma Buddhist Temple 7. Reading of Gobunsho/ Letters of Rennyō 'the Tradition of Shinran Shonin' led by Rev. Melissa Opel, Spokane Buddhist Temple 8. Closing Remarks by Rev. Jerry Hirano, Idaho Oregon Buddhist Temple 9. Japanese Dharma Message by Rev. Masanori Watanabe, former BCA minister 10. Gatha Shinran-sama by Rev. Yuki Sugahara Buddhist Churches of America Northwest District are: Idaho Oregon Buddhist Temple: <http://www.iobt.org/> Oregon Buddhist Temple: <https://www.oregonbuddhisttemple.com/> Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple: <https://seattlebetsuin.com/> Spokane Buddhist Temple: <https://www.spokanebuddhisttemple.org/> Tacoma Buddhist Temple: <http://www.tacomabt.org/> White River Buddhist Temple: <https://www.wrbt.org/> Yakima Buddhist Church: <https://www.facebook.com/yakimabuddhi...> Shinran-sama Electric Guitar Version: <https://youtu.be/>

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JUNE SHOTSUKI HOYO

The June Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service will honor the memory of those listed below who passed away in the month of June. This service will be combined with the Joint Memorial Service on Saturday, June 12th at 10 AM and will be livestreamed on the Betsuin YouTube channel: <http://www.youtube.com/seattlebuddhisttemple>

Adachi, Shinsaburo	Hirabayashi, Tomonobu	Matsumoto, Patricia	Shimooka, Kazue
Aiko Shimizu	Hiraga, Noboru	Matsuoka, Toru	Shinagawa, Chieko
Akada, Same	Hoshino, Akio	Mihara, Minoru	Shinbo, Tamio
Akada, Shizue	Hyde, Jane	Minato, Kagei	Shiota, Shiro
Akutsu, Mary	Ideta, Henry	Miyahara, Kiyoko	Song, Linyu
Amabe, Hisano	Iguchi, Roy	Miyamoto, Sumio	Sumida, Hiroyuki
Aoyama, Katsumi	Imanishi, Yoshio	Miyao, Ume	Suto, Bessie
Baba, James	Inaba, Kenkichi	Mizuki, Hisato	Suyematsu, Mitsuo
Doi, James	Inaba, Shigeiko	Mizumoto, Fukiko	Suzaka, Frank
Dumont, Marion	Ishibashi, Isao	Mizumoto, Nobuo	Tai, Hisano
Eguchi, Otome	Ishikawa, Kimiyo	Murakami, Tamae	Takei, Toshiko
Endo, Suzuko	Isomura, Mary	Nagamatsu, Toshiko	Taketa, Arlene
Eng, Shee	Iwasaki, Sachiko	Nagasugi, Tokuye	Tamura, Mary
Esuye, Hisako	Iwata, Nochi	Nakagawa, Itsuyo	Tanabe, Riso
Fudetani, Yoshio	Kajimura, Gary	Nakagawa, Kazuo	Tanaka, Yoshimi
Fujii, Yukiko	Kajimura, Hiroshi	Nakanishi, Misuno	Tani, Nobuko
Fujikawa, Nobuko	Kanaya, Toshiji	Nakashima, Suyeko	Taniguchi, Kuma
Fujimoto, Kiyoko	Kanegae, Toshie	Ninomura, Sue	Tazuma, Masako
Fujino, Mitsutaro	Kato, Michio	Nokichi, Miwa	Tazuma, Noboru
Fujioka, Harumi	Kawahara, Kiyoko	Obata, Rose	Terada, Kakichi
Fujioka, Momoko	Kawahara, Yoshisuke	Ohara, Masato	Terada, Yayeko
Fujita, Kinu	Kawamoto, Masao	Ohara, Rinzo	Teramoto, Kenso
Furukawa, Shizuye	Kawasaki, Tokuyoshi	Ohmiya, Masasue	Terao, Fred
Furuta, Roy	Kianzon, Tatsu	Oiye, Nobuko	Tsuchikawa, Chiyo
Furuta, Terumasa	Kido, Haruko	Okada, Sadaye	Tsuji, Kitaro
Hamano, Grace	Kiuchi, Janice	Okamura, Ray	Tsukamoto, Umekichi
Hamasaki, Satoko	Kobata, Kay	Okawa, Archie	Tsuruyama, Miyo
Hanada, Ronald	Kosai, Wesley	Ōmura, Kimi	Uyeji, Kamekichi (Kam)
Hara, Don	Kuramoto, Daisy	Pawloski, Junko	Wataoka, Linda
Harada, Charles	Kurimoto, Aki	Platnick, Tamiko	Yamaguchi, Iwao
Harui, Zenhichi	Kurosaki, Tsuyano	Saito, Koshige	Yamaguchi, Mamoru
Hasegawa, Yoriko	Maruko, Sadami	Sawa, Ayako	Yamamoto, Gary
Hayashi, Roger	Matsuba, Fude	Shibayama, Kamekichi	Yamamoto, Mineyo
Higashi, Shōzō	Matsubu, Shigeiko	Shimizu, Haruko	Yokoyama, Hideyo
Higo, Seki	Matsumoto, Nobuko	Shimizu, Patrick	Yoshimi, Aiko
			Yoshinaka, Catherine

JULY SHOTSUKI HOYO

The July Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service will honor the memory of those listed below who passed away in the month of July. This service will be combined with the Joint Memorial Service on Saturday, July 3rd, at 10AM and will be livestreamed on the Betsuin YouTube channel: <http://www.youtube.com/seattlebuddhistemple>

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Akada, Yoshio	Iboshi, Ralph	Morita, Fukutaro	Takahashi, Mary
Aoki, Ruth	Idaka, Totaro	Moriyama, Tamotsu	Taketa, Shikao
Asaba, Kimiko	Inaba, Frank	Muneta, Jean	Tamura, Tadashi
Chang, Wai Kam	Inaba, Miyoko	Muramoto, Raymond	Tanaka, Shizue
Chu-Chan, Mee	Inouye, Shizu	Nagaishi, Shigeo	Tanemura, Toshikazu
Demise, Ayako	Ishida, Kenichi	Nakagawa, Nami	Taylor, Fusako
Fugami, Irene	Ishii, Miyoko	Nakamura, Jimmie	Terada, Kimi
Fujihira, Shiro	Kajimura, Tsutomu	Nakamura, Saiji	Terada, Minoru
Fujimoto, Asataro	Kajita, Aico	Nakashima, Fumiko	Terada, Toshiko
Fujino, Paul	Kaku, Yoshi	Nakashima, Yoneko	Terao, Sadao
Fujita, Aiko	Kanaya, Mary	Nakawawa, Katsuko	Tokunaga, Joe
Fujita, Jack	Katayama, Donna	Nakayama, Kozo	Tsuboi, Tamiye
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Funamori, Yoneko	Kato, Sumiye	Nishimoto, Junzo	Tsujii, Janet
Furuta, Charles	Kawahara, Kikuno	Nitta, Sami	Tsukui, Florence
Furuta, Ikuno	Kawahara, Masano	Nogami, Hamano	Uchida, Yoshio
Furuta, Isamu	Kawanishi, Fusa	Nomaguchi, Chiyokesa	Yabuki, Haru
Gota, Helen	Kitano, Osamu	Ogohara, Kazue	Yamagiwa, Paul
Hamano, Kinuyo	Kiuchi, Kin	Okawa, Miye	Yamaguchi, Atsumi
Harada, Yoshito	Kiyonaga, Hideji	Okimura, Teimei	Yamaguchi, Kozo
Haraguchi, Sadame	Koba, Tsutou	Omori, Aiko	Yamamoto, Dawn
Harui, Margie	Koura, Hatsuko	Ono, Kiyoko	Yamamoto, Ichiro
Hasegawa, Saburo	Kurata, Shin	Otani, Rise	Yamamoto, Kikuno
Hashimoto, Miyuki	Maruko, Teruo	Otsuji, Suye	Yamamura, Ito
Hayashi, Kinko	Matsuhira, Ajiro	Otsuji, Takeo	Yamane, Akio
Hayashi, Mitsui	Matsushita, Kan	Peck, Hideko	Yamashita, Henry
Heyamoto, Fumiko	Mitoma, Jay	Saito, Yayoi	Yasunobu, Seiji
Higa, Michael	Miyahara, Kiyomi	Sakamoto, Alyce	Yoshida, Nobuko
Hino, Ryusho	Miyauchi, Tsuru	Sakamoto, Mineko	Yoshida, Seiichi
Hirai, Mikiye	Mizuki, Tomoko	Sako, Yoshiaki	Yoshimura, Dick
Hirano, Tokino	Mizumori, Nancy	Seko, Roy	Yoshino, Minoru
Hirata, Hajime	Mizuno, Hatsue	Shimbo, Sakayeko	Yuki, Motoitsu
Hirata, Osamu	Mori, Kerry	Shinoda, Ronald	
Hiroo, Edward	Moriguchi, Sadako	Shintaku, Albert	

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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6		7	8	9	10	11	12
9 am	Meditation on Zoom	Rinban's day off	Rinban's day off	10 am livestream	10 am Japanese	11 am Gojikai	10 am livestream
10 am	ALL SANGHA MEMORIAL SERVICE streamed English Dharma Talk (Rinban) Japanese Dharma Talk (Rinban)			Morning Service	Play Group on Zoom	Service	Shotsuki / Joint Memorial Service
11 am	Dharma Exchange (Rinban - Funeral/Memorial Services)			11 am Sutra	11 am Seattle		
Noon	SBBWA Board Meeting on Zoom			Chanting & Dialogue - Zoom	Japanese Dharma		2 pm Gagaku practice
13		14	15	16	17	18	19
9 am	Meditation on Zoom	Rinban's day off	Rinban's day off	10 am livestream	11 am Seattle	10 am Japanese	
10 am	LAST DAY OF DHARMA SCHOOL SERVICE streamed English Dharma Talk (MA Leonora Clarke) Japanese Dharma Talk (Rinban)			Morning Service	Japanese Dharma	Play Group on Zoom	
11 am	Dharma Exchange (Rev Irene Goto on <i>Sataro Kawabe</i>)			11 am Sutra	Gathering - Zoom		
11 am	All Dharma School Zoom class			Chanting CANCEL			
20		21	22	23	24	25	26
9 am	<i>Father's Day</i> Meditation on Zoom	Rinban's day off	Rinban's day off	6:30-8 pm Lecture "Shinran's Hymn/Wasan" with Rev Sugahara	24	25	26
10 am	BISHOPS'/RINBANS' MEMORIAL SERVICE streamed English Dharma Talk (Rinban) Japanese Dharma Talk (Rinban)			10 am livestream	11 am Seattle		
11 am	Dharma Exchange (Rev Irene Goto on <i>Fathers' Day</i>)	8 pm Newsletter deadline		Morning Service	Japanese Dharma		
27		28	29	30			
9 am	Meditation on Zoom	Rinban's day off	Rinban's day off	Dialogue - Zoom	Gathering - Zoom		
10 am	NW MASTER GENSHIN'S MEMORIAL SERVICE streamed English Dharma Talk (Guest Rev Dr David Matsumoto) Japanese Dharma Talk (Guest Rev Hibiki Murakami, LA Betsuin)			11 am Sutra			
11 am	Dharma Exchange (Rinban - "Obon Tradition")			Chanting & Dialogue - Zoom			
JULY 2021 SPECIAL EVENTS							
9 am	Meditation on Zoom	Rinban's day off	Rinban's day off	10 am livestream	July 11	Virtual Obon / Hatsubon Service	
10 am	NW MASTER GENSHIN'S MEMORIAL SERVICE streamed English Dharma Talk (Guest Rev Dr David Matsumoto) Japanese Dharma Talk (Guest Rev Hibiki Murakami, LA Betsuin)			Morning Service	July 17	Virtual Seattle Bon Odori	
11 am	Dharma Exchange (Rinban - "Obon Tradition")			11 am Sutra	July 18	Virtual Obon Cemetery & Nokotsudo Service	

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2021 FAMILY MEMORIAL SERVICE SCHEDULE

In the Jodo Shinshu tradition, family memorial services are held on designated anniversaries to express gratitude and recall cherished memories of our loved ones while listening to the Buddha Dharma. While the Temple is closed due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Rinban Kusunoki will read your loved one's name during the Joint Memorial Service livestreamed on most Saturdays at 10 am or will conduct a virtual service for your family and friends. If you have a family member who passed away in the following years, you are encouraged to hold a memorial service in 2021:

<u>Year of Death</u>	<u>Service</u>
2020	1st year memorial
2019	3rd year memorial
2015	7th year memorial
2009	13th year memorial
2005	17th year memorial
1997	25th year memorial
1989	33rd year memorial
1972	50th year memorial

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10:00AM

Wednesday

+ **11:00 AM** Sutra Chanting & Dialogue,
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Saturday, June 12 only

Joint Memorial and Shōtsuki Hoyo
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