

32nd National Center Anniversary

PROGRAM

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Much of the adversity that exists in our lives and the world is a sign that we are all being pushed to wake up from our old state of consciousness, which is based in ego and fear, into a more evolved state of consciousness that is based in divine love and faith.

This year's Anniversary theme—Awakening Together in Every Moment—emerges from this insight. The “Awakening Together” part of the theme honors both sides of awakening: the collective awakening of humanity that exists because we are all interconnected parts of a unified whole, and also the many private awakenings we all undergo in our individual lives, each one of which reflects a crucial and beautiful part of the whole. The “In Every Moment” part is also essential to this message of awakening because it reminds us that our opportunity for awakening—for opening our hearts and minds—is not something that ever expires or ends; rather, it is always completely and exclusively available by turning our attention to who we really are and what is really true in every single moment.

So let us notice and embrace that unconditional love and faith that we all have inside, and which allows us to open and awaken in whatever ways the Universe calls forth in our lives—right now, in every moment, again, again, and again.

WELCOME MESSAGE

The world we inhabit today is not an easy place to thrive. Divisions among different groups of people are more pronounced than we have seen in many decades, and on an individual level, we are seeing a deep and widespread crisis of meaning and loneliness.

And yet, as spiritual seekers we must always remember that this is how nature evolves. Just as the survival mechanisms of animals and plants are forged in the fires of physical adversity, the deepest and most lasting forms of human growth emerge from periods of challenge, crisis, even desperation. From a spiritual perspective, turmoil is a valuable opportunity—a gateway to awakening.

This year's theme is "Awakening Together in Every Moment." Awakening is both a private experience of overcoming our fears to become freer and more conscious as individuals, as well as a collective process in which our interconnectedness allows us to flourish with the support of community. Awakening is also never far away, and in fact, is entirely and eternally available to us in the here and now, in every single moment of our lives.

This year's anniversary invites you to reflect on your journey of awakening. It's a time to support and uplift one another and to bask in the Divine Light that shines with unconditional love and inspiration.

Thank you for showing up fully and for supporting this wonderful community.

Sincerely,



Alan Imai

ANNIVERSARY SCHEDULE

10:40

Greeting and Introduction

Ann Shough, Master of Ceremonies

Video Presentation

Zengensanji (Good Words of Praise)

The recorded English translation of the Zengensanji

11:00

Ceremony Begins

Sensei Steven Tokunaga on the taiko drum

Offering

Amatsunorito and Zengensanji

Led by Tamao Koyama Kaicho Sensei, President of Shinji Shumeikai

Three Poems by Meishusama

"Sickness" (Please refer to this program or page 68 of the Miakarishu) Led by Kaicho Sensei

Gratitude to Meishusama

Jyorei

Kaicho Sensei shares the healing Light of Jyorei with attendees.

Keynote Speech

Kaicho Sensei

Testimonial

A. J. Ayala and Mana Ayala

Shumei Kids and Youth Choir

"Across The Universe" by the Beatles

Lunch

2:00 – 4:15

Afternoon Program

Instructor Course Graduation Ceremony

Adult Choir and Taiko Performances

Group Activities

Jyorei, Tea Meditation, or Taiko

4:15 – 5:00

Afternoon Hoshi

Amatsunorito and Zengensanji

(One shallow bow, two deep bows, three handclaps, and one deep bow)

Tah kah ah mah hah lah nee

kah mm zoo mah lee mah soo

kah moo loh ghee kah moo loh mee noh--

mee koh toh--moh chee teh

soo meh mee oh yah--

kah moo ee zah nah ghee noh--

mee koh toh

tsoo koo shee noh hee moo kah noh

tah chee hah nah noh

oh doh noh ah hah ghee hah lah nee

mee soh ghee hah lah ee tah moh--toh kee nee

nah lee mah seh loo

hah lah ee doh noh oh--kah mee tah chee

moh loh moh loh noh

mah gah goh toh tsoo mee keh gah leh oh

hah lah ee tah mah eh

kee yoh meh tah mah eh toh

mah oh soo koh toh noh yoh shee oh

ah mah tsoo kah mee koo nee tsoo kah mee

yah oh yoh loh zoo noh

kah mee tah chee toh moh nee

ah meh noh foo chee koh mah noh--

mee mee foo lee tah teh teh

kee koh shee meh seh toh

kah shee koh mee

kah shee koh mee moh mah oh soo...

(bow deeply)

**Oo yah oo yah shee koo
oh moh nn mee loo nee**

seh soh nn kah nn zeh oh nn boh sah tsoo
koh noh doh nee ah moh lah seh tah mah ee
koh / oh myoh--nyoh lah ee toh geh nn jee
oh / oh shee nn mee loh koo tohkah shee
meh shee yah toh nah lah seh
dah ee seh nn sah nn zeh nn seh kah ee noh
sah nn doh koo oh meh--shee
goh joh koo oh kee yoh meh
hyah koo seh nn mah nn oh koo
ee--sah ee shoo joh--noh
dah ee neh nn gah nn
koh / oh myoh--joh--lah koo eh ee goh--noh
joo / oo poh--seh kah ee oh nah lah shee meh teh
goh foo--joo--oo noh koo loo ee nah koo
foo koo kah zeh eh dah moh nah lah soo nah kee
mee loh koo noh mee yoh oh oo mee tah moh--
moo lyoh--moo heh nn noh dah ee jee hee nee
teh nn mah lah seh tsoo moh
mah tsoo loh ee teh
shoh ah koo jah hoh--wahah lah tah mah lee
yah shah lyoo--jee nn moh
geh dah tsoo nah shee
shoh zeh nn boo--shee nn koh toh goh toh koo
soh noh koh koh loh zah shee oh toh goo loo nah lee

sah nn seh nn soh--moh koo
koh toh goh toh koo
seh soh nn noh ee toh koo nee
nah bee kah ee teh
kee nn joo--choo--gyoh noh
soo eh mah deh moh
mee nah soh noh toh koh loh oh
eh zah loo nah shee
mah sah nee koh leh shee bee
jee--soh--seh kah ee nee teh
kah lyoh--bee nn gah wah soh lah nee mah ee
zoo ee oo nn teh nn nee tah nah bee keh bah
bah nn kah foo koo ee koo chee nee koo nn jee
tah hoh--boo--toh--soh soh lee tah chee
shee chee doh--gah lah nn wah
kah soo mee tsoo tsoo
koh gah neh noh ee lah kah sah nn sah nn toh
hee nee teh lee eh ee zoo koh--keh ee wah
geh nee moh teh nn goh koo joh--doh nah lee
goh koh koo mee noh lee teh
koo lah nee mee chee
soo nah doh lee yoo tah kah nee
ah meh gah shee tah
ee kee toh shee ee keh loo moh loh moh loh noh
eh lah ghee nee ghee wah oo koh eh goh eh wah
tsoo tsoo oo lah oo lah nee mee chee wah tah lee
koo nee toh koo nee toh noh sah kah ee nah koo
hee toh goo sah tah chee noh
nee koo shee mee yah
ee sah kah ee goh toh moh yoo meh toh kee eh

ee / ee teh nn shee kah ee kah nn noh nn noh
jee nn jee noh mee moo neh nee
ee dah kah leh nn
wah leh lah gah hee bee noh
seh gyoh--nee moh
myoh / oh chee oh tah mah ee
shee nn kah koo oh
eh sah shee meh ee eh wah toh mee sah kah eh
yoh wah ee wah nah gah koo
moo ee yah koo nee
zeh nn toh koo koh--oh kah sah neh sah seh
foo koo joo kah ee moo lyoh--noh
dah ee koo doh koo
tah leh sah seh tah mah eh
mah shee mah seh toh
neh nn neh nn joo--shee nn
geh zah toh nn shoo
kee foo koo lah ee hah ee neh ghee mah oh soo...

(bow deeply)

Mee loh koo oh oh mee kah mee

mah moh lee tah mah eh
sah kee hah eh tah mah eh
mee loh koo oh / oh mee kah mee
mah moh lee tah mah eh
sah kee hah eh tah mah eh...

(bow deeply)

Oh shee eh mee oh yah noo shee noh kah mee

mah moh lee tah mah eh
sah kee hah eh tah mah eh
oh shee eh mee oh yah noo shee noh kah mee
mah moh lee tah mah eh
sah kee hah eh tah mah eh...

(Bow deeply and pause for silent prayer)

Kah mm nah gah lah

tah mah chee hah eh mahseh
kah mm nah gah lah
tah mah chee hah eh mah seh...

(Bow deeply, rise, and three handclaps)

POEMS BY MEISHUSAMA

Sickness

Miakarishu (P.68)

*Purifying body and soul through disease is God's great gift.
Polish your soul, for the cause of illness is spiritual clouding.
Recognize that life is not in our hands, but in the hands of God.*

Yah mah ee toh wah

mee tah mah--kee yoh moo loo
moh noh nah leh bah
koh yoh nah kee kah mee noh
meh goo mee nah lee keh lee

Ee tah tsoo kee noh

moh toh wah--mee tah mah noh
koo moh lee yoo toh
sah toh lee teh mee gah keh
mee chee nee ah loo hee toh

Tah mah kee hah loo

ee noh chee noh noo shee wah
oh noh leh nee ah lah deh
kah mee noh oh nn teh nee
ah loo oh shee leh kah shee

ACROSS THE UNIVERSE THE BEATLES

Words are flowing out like endless rain into a paper cup
They slither wildly as they slip away across the universe
Pools of sorrow, waves of joy are drifting through my opened mind
Possessing and caressing me

Jai guru deva, om*
Nothing's gonna change my world
Nothing's gonna change my world
Nothing's gonna change my world
Nothing's gonna change my world

Images of broken light which dance before me like a million eyes
They call me on and on across the universe
Thoughts meander like a restless wind inside a letterbox they
They tumble blindly as they make their way across the universe

Jai guru deva, om
Nothing's gonna change my world
Nothing's gonna change my world
Nothing's gonna change my world
Nothing's gonna change my world

Sounds of laughter shades of life are ringing
Through my open ears inciting and inviting me
Limitless undying love which shines around me like a million suns
It calls me on and on across the universe

* *"Jai guru deva, om" translates to "Glory to the shining remover of darkness"*

Jai guru deva, om
Nothing's gonna change my world
Nothing's gonna change my world
Nothing's gonna change my world
Nothing's gonna change my world

Jai guru deva
Jai guru deva
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Jai guru deva
Jai guru deva



ART GALLERY

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Gaining a New Perspective

Transforming Our Consciousness

Cultivating Aesthetic Sensitivity

What is placed in the alcove is meant to be there. Doing what is right is simply natural. The world has come to the point where our conduct must align with Truth. **If we cling to our current ways of thinking, a time will soon come when our very survival will be at risk.** The world will not continue to exist unless people act rightly. Human consciousness is lagging behind [material progress], and the Divine is hastily working to awaken it.

Kannon's Way teachings



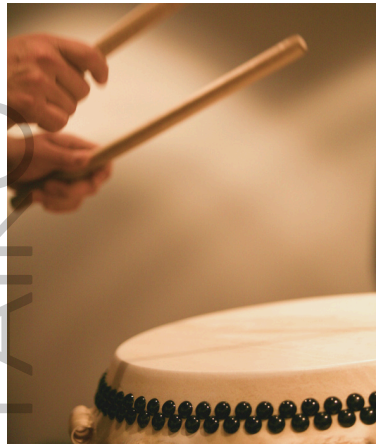
AFTERNOON PROGRAM 2:00 - 4:15

This year's afternoon program will incorporate this year's theme, Awakening Together in Every Moment, into the heart of some classic activities in Shumei.

First we will begin with an Instructor Course graduation ceremony, followed by adult choir and taiko performances. Then, after a short guided meditation, we will split into subgroups that will engage as active participants in Jyorei, Taiko, or Tea Meditation in order to recognize the power of these activities as tools for the cultivation of our collective awakening.



JYOREI



TAIKO



TEA MEDITATION

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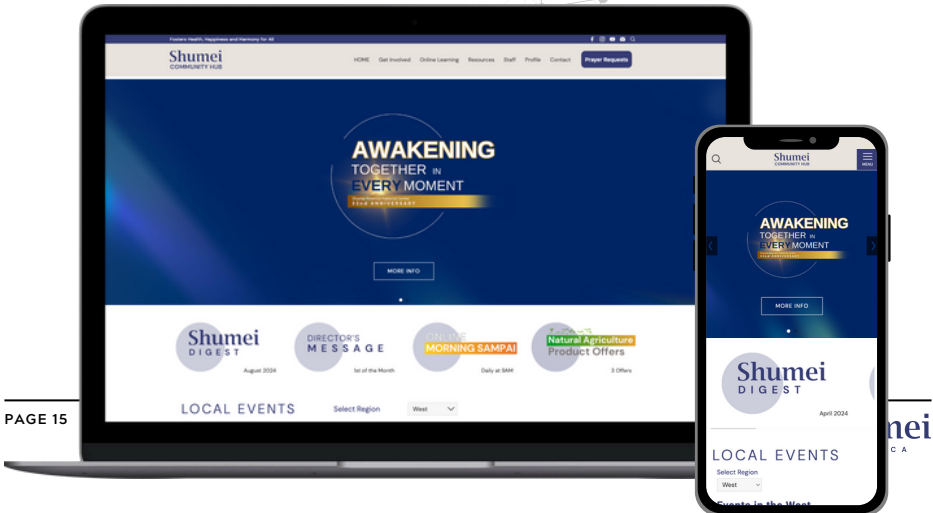
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- Japan Tour
- Youth activities
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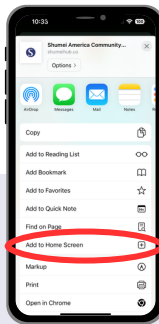
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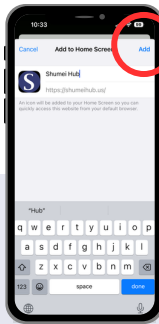
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D O N A T E



S U R V E Y

We are very grateful to everyone who contributed to the 2024 Annual Fundraiser. Thank you so much for supporting our vision to spread health, happiness, and harmony to all! This weekend's festivities were made possible through the dedicated efforts of our many volunteers who donated their time and labor in various areas.

Thank you!

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