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Last year, our Pasadena Anniversary theme was focused on spiritual awakening. But awakening is only the beginning of the spiritual journey. So what comes next? What happens once we have woken up and glimpsed our nature as spiritual beings in this physical world?

Ironically, what often happens is that physical challenges begin to appear and develop. Many of the old forms we previously inhabited in our lives become simply too contracted to let our beautiful spirits embody their inherent freedom in this world, and so we begin to experience the growing pains of evolution.

Although the breakdown of existing forms can be painful, it also creates new space and frees up an immense amount of energy for the creation of something new. But how do we stay grounded, open-hearted, and imaginative enough to be able to use this profound opportunity for the creation of Heaven on Earth? We go back to our roots. We go back to the basics - to the pure and simple spiritual practices that allow us to go deep inside and be present with ourselves in the light of the Divine. And from that alignment with God's inherent love and peace, we can start to expand outward. We can then truly connect with our sacred communities, with our loved ones, and with humanity at largespreading our wings and inspiring others to fly with us into the next step of humanity's evolution-into a new state of peace and love that we all fundamentally deserve.

So as you reflect on your own life, what are some of the roots that can keep you awake and aligned as you spread your wings?

## WELCOME MESSAGE

We gather this year in a time of ongoing uncertainty that is marked by environmental disruption, social division, and a widespread search for meaning. Many are asking: Where do we find clarity? How do we contribute? What can we offer?

As a spiritual organization, Shumei America is called to respond not only with words, but with awakened lives that are rooted in Meishusama's Light and expressed through conscious, compassionate action. That is why our theme this year is: "Roots and Wings: Awakened Action." Our roots are our spiritual foundation, cultivated through Sampai, Jyorei, Hoshi, Haidoku, and Prayer. Our wings are the courageous actions we take when we bring that Light into the world—serving with love, choosing beauty, and fostering peace in the midst of challenge.

This year, over 100 new Jyorei Practitioners have begun their journey with Shumei America, stepping forward not only for personal growth, but also to be of service to others. Shumei's three core activities—Jyorei, Natural Agriculture, and the Appreciation of Art and Beauty—continue to expand across the country, reaching more people and places than ever before. From our roots here in Pasadena and the Hollywood Center, we now extend our wings toward a shared vision: establishing sacred centers in all 50 states, where healing, Light, and connection can flourish.

In a world often caught between destruction and fear, we choose creation. We choose serenity over reaction, truth over confusion, and Light over fear. This Anniversary is not only a celebration of the past—it is a renewal of purpose. Let us move forward together—with strong roots and open wings, ready to live our awakening and shine Light into every corner of the world.

Sincerely,

lan A. Chai

Alan Imai

# ANNIVERSARY SCHEDULE

#### 10:40 Greeting and Introduction

Jonette Swider, Master of Ceremonies

#### Video Presentation

#### Zengensanji (Good Words of Praise)

The recorded English translation of the Zengensanji

#### 11:00 Ceremony Begins

Taiko: Sensei Steven Tokunaga

#### Offering

#### Amatsunorito and Zengensanji

Led by Tamao Koyama Kaicho Sensei, President of Shinji Shumeikai

#### Three Poems by Meishusama

"Poems of Inspiration" (Please refer to this program or page 93 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**

Ken Godey

#### Shumei Kids and Youth Choir

"Imagine" by John Lennon

#### 12:30 - 1:30 Lunch

#### 1:30 - 3:30 Afternoon Program

- Taiko Performance
- Group Meditation
- Interactive Writing Activity
- Testimonials
- "Voice Together" Choir

#### 3:30 - 4:30 Afternoon Hoshi

#### 6:30 - 10:00 Evening Celebration

Location and details on page 14

### 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 nohmee koh toh-moh chee teh soo meh mee oh yahkah moo ee zah nah ghee nohmee 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 nohmee 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 J oh myoh-nyoh lah ee toh geh nn jee oh / oh shee nn mee loh koo toh kah 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 J oh myoh-joh-lah koo eh ee goh-noh joo Joo 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 mohmoo 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-wah ah 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 mah seh kah mm nah gah lah tah mah chee hah eh mah seh...

(Bow deeply, rise, and three handclaps)

## POEMS BY MEISHUSAMA

#### **Poems of Inspiration**

Miakarishu (P.93)

Teaching those of all backgrounds equally and with kindess is God's wish.

Be aware, there are things usefully spoken of and things that are not.

The base-hearted make a point of parading their achievements before all.

#### Tah kah kee hee koo kee

keh jee meh oh tsoo keh zoo neh moh goh loh nee oh shee oo loo hee toh koh soh mee moo neh nee kah nah wah nn

#### Yoo-beh kee toh

ee wah deh—yoh kee koh toh ah loo yoh nah lee mee chee nee ah loo moh noh koh koh loh seh yoh kah shee

#### Sah moh shee kee wah

oh noh gah—teh gah lah oh moh loh bee toh nee shee meh sah nn toh soo loo koh koh loh nee zoh ah loo



# IMAGINE JOHN LENNON

Imagine there's no heaven
It's easy if you try
No hell below us
Above us, only sky
Imagine all the people living for today

Imagine there's no countries
It isn't hard to do
Nothing to kill or die for
And no religion, too
Imagine all the people living life in peace

You may say I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one I hope someday you'll join us And the world will be as one



Imagine no possessions I wonder if you can No need for greed or hunger A brotherhood of man

Imagine all the people Sharing all the world

You may say I'm a dreamer But I'm not the only one I hope someday you'll join us And the world will live as one



## ART GALLERY

#### THE HEART THAT SEEKS BEAUTY

- Roots and Wings of

Kaishusama's Sense of Beauty-



The life of Kaishusama, Mihoko Koyama, the Shumei's first president was one of constant pursuit of beauty. From her pure spirituality flowed a happiness that she joyfully shared with many people, making her life one of fulfillment.

"Through art, make the world a beautiful, peaceful and enjoyable place."

Seeking Beautiful Things
is Seeking God

## **AFTERNOON PROGRAM** 1:30 - 3:30

You are invited to this year's afternoon program with various activities that incorporate our theme of Roots and Wings: Awakened Action:

Taiko Performance **Group Meditation** Interactive Writing Activity **Testimonials** 

"Voice Together" Choir



### **EVENING CELEBRATION** 6:30 - 10:00

#### Ticket Information:

- Cost: \$50 (Includes transportation, snacks, dinner, desserts, beverages, and one wine ticket)
- Availability: Please contact the office for ticket availability.

#### **Event Details:**

- Location:
  - Sky Deck at MODA by Monrovia Station (6th Floor) 228 W Pomona Avenue, Monrovia, CA 91016
- Contact: Elizabeth Cardenas (818) 913-6615
- Food Service: 7:00 PM 9:00 PM (Provided by Villas Tacos)

#### Shuttle Information:

 The shuttle service will be available from 6:15 PM to 10:30 PM, operating approximately every 30 minutes.

Feel free to join or leave the event at your convenience.



# ALL YOU **NEED**

# ONE PLACE

Shumei community hub



www.shumeihub.us





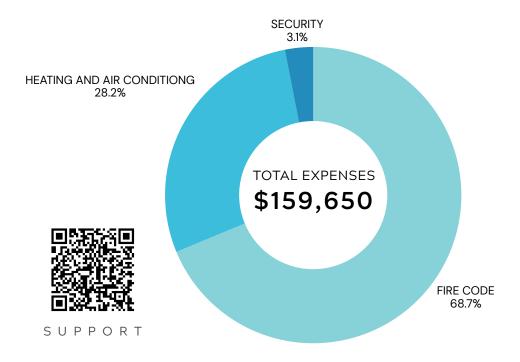
# Reflections of Light

Illuminating What's New in Shumei America

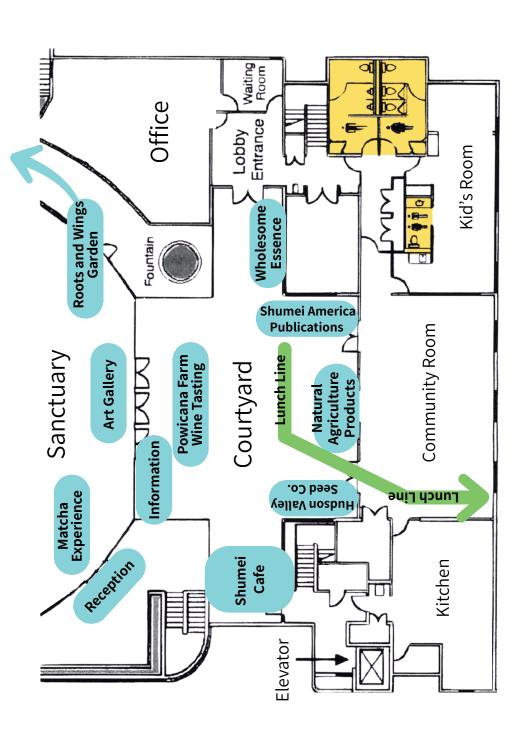
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# PROTECTING OUR ROOTS TOGETHER: KEEPING OUR CENTER STRONG

Participate in our journey by scanning the QR code below.



After more than 3 decades of service, our beloved center is now in dire need of serious maintenance and upgrades, some of which are required by law. Therefore, in order to ensure that the Pasadena Center continues to be a safe and thriving place as Shumei America's physical roots, we are establishing a fundraising goal of \$150,000 for the 33rd Anniversary of Shumei America's National Center. This includes over \$100,000 in upgrades to the structure of our buildings that are required by fire code, as well as nearly \$50,000 in replacing heating, cooling, and security systems that are now well past their lifespan and in need of urgent replacement.



We are very grateful to everyone who contributed to the 2025 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!

