



GREEN MOUNTAIN ZEN CENTER

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Sunday Zazen Services

6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Newcomer's Meditation Instruction

Every Wednesday at 7:00 pm please contact us or call 426-3344 if you plan to attend.

Dharma Discussion Group

Sunday, September at 6:00 pm Dharma Discussion and Teleconference with Atlanta Soto Zen Center

Topic: TBD, check www.gmzc.us

Looking Forward

November 17-19, 2006

Weekend Sesshin

Led by *Taiun* Michael Elliston

Abbot of the Atlanta Soto Zen Center

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www.gmzc.us

Spring Highlights

MAY 12 -14, Green Mountain Zen Center held their first full weekend sesshin, and it was led by *Taiun* Michael Elliston who is the Abbot of the Atlanta Soto Zen Center. Austin Rogers received the Buddhist Precepts in the Jukai Ceremony held at the end of the sesshin. *Taiun* Michael Elliston concluded Sesshin with a lecture, then

JUNE 2-4, *Kawa Congo* Jim Gordon and *Fusho* Eric Beck gave Dharma talks at the Atlanta Zen Center on the Relativity.



Austin Rogers Jukai Ceremony, May 14, 2006

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Dharma Talks

AUGUST, a Dharma talk was lead by FuSho Eric Beck on the topic of Gudo Nishijima Sensei's *Three Philosophies and One Reality*.

JULY, a Dharma talk was lead by Bodhin Gary Beard on the topic of Dogen's *Gakudo Yojin-Shu -- Guidelines for Studying the Way*.

JUNE, a Dharma talk was lead by Jim Gordon on the topic of Dogen's *Gakudo Yojin-Shu -- Guidelines for Studying the Way*.

MAY, *Taiun* Michael Elliston concluded Sesshin with a lecture on "Science, Religion, and The Middle Way", from a book he is writing, presented at the Unitarian Church on Governor's Drive. Shortly after, *Taiun* began his six week study and practice (*Ango*) as guest head student at a Monastery in Texas.

APRIL, a Dharma talk was lead by Mike Roberts on the topic of Shrunyo Suzuki's "No Trace" from *Zen Mind Beginner's Mind*.

MARCH, a Dharma talk was lead by MuJin Shelley Quinn on the topic of Norman Fischer's "Wash You Bowls", *Hooked! Buddhist Writings of Greed, Desire, and the Urge to Consume*

FEBRUARY, a Dharma talk was lead by Bodhin Gary Beard on the topic of Torei's Teaching *What is a Bodhisattva, and What Does One Look Like?*

If you would like to give a Dharma Talk or suggest a topic, simply contact Jim by email. All meetings are followed by open discussion, in which we formulate a main question, along with individual questions, to introduce to Sensei Elliston over the telephone. Donations (Dana) of the evening go to Sensei.



North Alabama Buddhist Association

Giac Lam Temple
444 Indian Creek Rd
Huntsville, AL 35806

Cordially invites you and your family to our annual **ULLAMBANA DAY CELEBRATION**
Sunday, September 3rd, 2006

Please come to honor our mothers and ancestors
Ceremony begins at **10:30am**

Followed by **The Meaning of Ullambana Day**
Taught by the *Venerable Giac Chanh*
There will be an English reading by *Jim Gordon*
and **The Meaning of the Rose Ceremony** by
Wes Jacobi.

A vegetarian lunch will be provided at 12:30pm
There will be plenty of food, but feel free to bring
something special.

For more information, please contact Le (256) 337-3743

