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Eido Tai Shimano (嶋野 栄道, b. 1932) is a Rinzai roshi, and the first to establish a Rinzai lineage in the United States. Unlike Kyozan Joshu Sasaki, another Rinzai roshi, Shimano has named four American Dharma heirs to date, most notable of which is Sherry Chayat.

Eido Tai Shimano

School Rinzai

Personal

Born 1932
Tokyo, Japan

Senior posting

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Biography

Eido Shimano was born in the countryside of Tokyo, Japan in 1932. In his youth he studied Rinzai Zen under two masters, Kengan Goto and Goto Osho. Osho ordained him as an unsui as a young man and gave him his Dharma name, Eido. He trained at Heirenji for two years and then began his studies under Soen Nakagawa at Ryutakuji. While at Ryutakuji, Nyogen Senzaki made a return visit from the United States to the temple and left a lasting impression on the young Shimano. A few years later Nakagawa planned to send Shimano to the United States to serve as Senzaki's attendant, but before doing so Senzaki died. However, in 1960 Shimano was sent to Honolulu, Hawaii to help at the Diamond Sangha founded by Robert Baker Aitken and his wife, Anne Hopkins Aitken. Shimano returned to Japan and met Haku'un Yasutani, accompanying he and Nakagawa back to the United States to serve as an attendant and translator. In 1964, with Soen's blessing, he moved to New York and was invited to teach at the Zen Studies Society founded by Cornelius Crane years earlier. In 1972 he received Dharma transmission from Soen Nakagawa, and currently leads the Zen Studies Society (which maintains both New York Zendo Shobo-Ji and Dai Bosatsu Zendo Kongo-Ji).^{[1][2]}

Criticism

In the past allegations of sexual impropriety have surfaced regarding Shimano, which caused some members to depart from his Zen community.^[3]

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See also

- Buddhism in the United States
- List of Rinzai Buddhists
- Timeline of Zen Buddhism in the United States

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