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Re: Teacher Sexual misconduct -Eido Tai Shimano, ZSS, and ot

by [Genjo](#) on Fri Dec 02, 2011 7:05 pm

genkaku wrote:

Here is another recollection which is posted on the [Shimano Archive](#):

Time To Leave...

I opened the door to the dokusan room and again told Shimano that it was time for the student to go home. He closed his eyes, began to shake his head... at that instant, the distressed young woman yells out at the top of her lungs, "I've got Roshi's cum dripping down my legs!"

Shimano suddenly opens his eyes and immediately said, "You know Kobutsu, I think it's time for her to leave..."

It was after hearing this account and a separate credible account of date rape from a different source the first weekend in June, while I was at Shobo-Ji in NYC, that I moved from the view that Eido Roshi had an untreated sexual addiction, to the view that he was a sexual predator, serially preying on the most vulnerable females under his spiritual care for decades. It was also this same weekend that there was a mediation between Eido Roshi and the ZSS Board. At this meeting I heard Eido Roshi say something to the effect, "If I didn't accept the sexual advances of female students, I would be creating worse karma than if I agreed to their propositions." Hearing these two separate accounts and this statement of Eido Roshi, convinced me that he was and is still a sexual predator that must be banned indefinitely from being on either ZSS campus. However, even this simple step has not been taken by the ZSS board.

There are still moves a foot by Eido Roshi and his supporters to have him do translation and calligraphy work up at Dai Bosatsu Zendo and for him to teach Japanese Dharma classes at Shobo-Ji. It is said that Eido Roshi is only allowed on campus if there are two observers with him, and that he needs to be there to sort through his things. He retired December 8th, one year ago. How long does it take to sort through his belongings? If necessary, anything in dispute should be moved to a storage locker, and his presence unequivocally banned, before any real healing can occur for his victims or those alienated from this treasure of a practice center.

I wish I were at Dai Bosatsu's Rohatsu Sesshin right now, but I won't go on campus again until more reforms are in place. I wish those who are there deep sitting that leads to clear action for all those who have been direct victims of Eido Roshi's predation.

With palms together,

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