

Interim Residency at DBZ July 11—September 12

This special place that is Dai Bosatsu Zendo, which so many generations of Dharma seekers have called their spiritual home, is as inspiring as ever. Those who are practicing here, whether as residents, sesshin participants, or those coming for samu or special events, have noted that the atmosphere is both harmonious and powerful. Summer is a particularly beautiful season at DBZ, and we invite you to join us for a week, a month, or more. For more information on interim residency, click here.

Summer Samu Five-Day Sesshin August 5—10

As well as being two days shorter than the traditional week-long sesshin, this sesshin will include extended periods of Samu (work practice) every day. It is an ideal first sesshin for beginners, and a wonderful opportunity for those who may find the regular sesshin schedule too difficult. Led by Shinge Roshi, Summer Samu Sesshin will be held from Friday, August 5th through Wednesday, August 10th.

O-Bon and Dai Segaki August 13—14

You are invited to join us for the traditional celebration of O-Bon. This event commemorates our ancestors, parents, friends and loved ones who have passed away. It is believed that during O-Bon, their spirits return to find comfort through our remembrance and gratitude. We will begin by writing their names on a paper lantern. After a vegetarian dinner, there will be chanting and calling the names of the deceased, followed by a dharma talk by Shinge Roshi. We will then have a silent procession to Beecher Lake and float our illuminated lanterns across the dark lake as we chant. A bonfire and refreshments complete the evening. On Sunday there will be optional morning service and zazen followed by breakfast.

Please reserve at least two weeks in advance. Program fees: Summer Samu Sesshin: \$350. O-Bon: \$250 (children 12 and under: \$75) Cost includes O-Bon service, dinner, lodging for one night, and breakfast.

To make a reservation, or for more information on any of these events, please call Dai Bosatsu Zendo at 845-439-4566 or e-mail office@daibosatsu.org.