

### **Community Offerings:**

# The Quest: A Multimedia Wayang Kulit ...an evening of Gamelan Music and Shadow Puppetry

# Saturday January 26th, 6:30 PM

Gamelan Sari Pandhawa presents a special night of traditional Gamelan music and a dazzling performance of shadow puppetry. Known as *Wayang* in Indonesia, the puppet show will also feature an exciting, contemporary video projection by artist Terry Holloway. Following the puppet show, there will be a brief intermission with light snacks and then a concert featuring Gamelan classics as well as contemporary renditions. \$10.00 at the door. All proceeds from the concert go to support Buddha Eye Community Temple.

Gamelan Sari Pandhawa is a not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization dedicated to providing an educational and entertaining multicultural experience for the Eugene community, enriching lives through expanding cultural awareness. Since 1996, the ensemble has performed in concert and taught classes throughout the area, and seeks to increase our community's understanding of traditional Javanese cultural arts, music, dance and shadow puppetry, We perform on bronze and wood instruments elegantly handcrafted and painted by master instrument makers in Central Java. For more information, contact Jakuen at jovenciodelapaz@gmail.com

# American Sutra: A Story of Faith and Freedom in the Second World War

## Saturday, April 6. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Join us for a very special discussion and lecture by Duncan Ryuken Williams, author of the new book "American Sutra: A Story of Faith and Freedom in the Second World War." This groundbreaking history tells the little-known story of how, in one of our country's darkest hours, Japanese Americans fought to defend their faith and preserve religious freedom. The mass incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II is not only a tale of injustice; it is a moving story of faith. In this pathbreaking account, Williams reveals how, even as they were stripped of their homes and imprisoned in camps, Japanese American Buddhists launched one of the most inspiring defenses of religious freedom in our nation's history, insisting that they could be both Buddhist and American.

Duncan Ryuken Williams was born in Tokyo, Japan to a Japanese mother and British father. After growing up in Japan and England until age 17, he moved to the U.S. to attend college (Reed College) and graduate school (Harvard University, where he received a Ph.D. in Religion). Williams is currently Professor of Religion and East Asian Languages & Cultures and the Director of the USC Shinso Ito Center for Japanese Religions and Culture.

Copies of "American Sutra: A Story of Faith and Freedom in the Second World War," will be available for purchase at the temple store. No registration is required for the event on April 6. A light lunch will be provided.

## **Fundamentals of Japanese Cooking**

#### Dates TBD

In this series of classes, Azusa McMullen will work with students to master some of the basics of Japanese cooking. Emphasis will be placed on the appreciation of ingredients and the expression of subtle flavor and texture. Each class will end with a chance to enjoy what has been made together. Azusa is a native of Sendai, Japan where she grew up spending much of her time at her grandparents food store, preparing and eating all manner of delicacies. She is one of the few who were lucky enough to have spent countless hours cooking with her mother and grandmother. As a fundraiser for Buddha Eye Temple this class has a fee of \$20 per session plus \$15 per session material fee. For more information, contact Ejo at ejo@buddhaeye.org Registration forms are available at buddhaeye.org and at the temple.

## **Mindful Cooking with Chef Ryan**

## Wednesdays: February 13th, April 17th, May 15th 6:00pm

This class aims to motivate people to cook wholesome food from scratch! By cooking in a more mindful way, we can work to improve health, create deeper connections with family and friends, and save money. In this series of four classes, Chef Ryan Josef-Maier will introduce and lecture on the topics of "Confidence, Intention, Bounty, and Stewardship," all as they relate to the practical techniques of cooking meals at home. In each class, students will prepare meals with ingredients provided by the class, with Chef Josef-Maier's hands on instructions. Students will sample each other's meals at the end of class, and take home the leftovers! As a fundraiser for Buddha Eye Temple this class has a fee of \$20 per session plus \$15 per session material fee. Scholarships are available, please see the registration form. For more information, please contact: Chef Ryan Josef-Maier at jjeatsndrinks@gmail.com. Registration forms are available at buddhaeye.org and at the temple.

## **Jizo Bodhisattva: From Drawing to Wood-Carving:**

Saturdays. Feb: 9, 16, 23; March: 9, 16, 30; April: 13, 20, 27, 12:00pm - 2:00pm

In this course, students will explore the relationship between intuitive drawing and the process of hand-carving in wood. We will focus on the figure of Jizo Bodhisattva for our inspiration. Beginning with a series of drawings, students will then create a clay model, which will be the basis for the design of a wood carving. The workshop will included an overview of basic hand-tools, kinds of wood, and carving techniques. All skill levels are welcome, but this course may not be suitable for young children. All materials are included and this class is Free of charge. Class size is limited to 4 students! Registration forms are available at buddhaeye.org and at the temple. For more information please conact Kogen Houseknetch at krummholzpine@gmail.com

#### **Garden and Hand-tool Maintenance:**

#### June 1st, 9:00am

Kogen Houseknecht will offer a workshop on garden tool maintenance. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to bring a tool from home that needs some turning up. <u>Registration forms</u> are available at buddhaeye.org and at the temple. For more information please conact Kogen Houseknetch at krummholzpine@gmail.com

#### Zen Hikes

#### Sat: January 26th & May 4th

Buddha Eye Senior Student Kogen Houseknecht will lead 2 silent hikes. The group meets in the morning at the temple for 20 minutes of Zazen, and then travels together to the beautiful wilds of Oregon. The group typically returns before dinner. Please stay tuned for destinations.

#### **Second Fridays**

On the second Friday of each month, please join us beginning at 6 PM for some family-friendly events: popcorn and a movie, pizza and a concert, brownies and board games (etc.)

#### **Friday Movie Nights**

March 8th - "Into the Inferno," Werner Herzog - introduced by Ejo McMullin April 12th- "Rivers and Tides," Thomas Riedelsheimer - introduced by Jakuen de la Paz

Join us for a series of fun and compelling movie nights at Buddha Eye Zen Community Temple! We will be screening a variety of films, all of which aim to inspire, energize, and spur discussion. Each film will be introduced by one of our community members, who will also lead a short discussion after the film for those who are interested in staying around. We will make some popcorn to share, and please bring other snacks to pass around!