

Dharma Friendship Service
Saturday, October 21, 2006 3:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Master of Ceremonies: Rev. Eijun Kujo

- 3:00 p.m. Registration
- 4:00 p.m. Opening Ceremony – Jodo Shinshu Center Kodo
- 4:10 p.m. Tibetan Horn: Welcoming the Buddha’s Relics
- 4:15 p.m. Opening remarks: Rev. Kujo
- 4:20 p.m. Ringing of the Gong
Vandana Ti-Sarana by Thai monk
Sanbujo: Rev. Kakei Nakagawa & Rev. Kenjitsu Nakagaki
Incense Offering & Hyobyaku Aspiration: Socho Koshin Ogui
Nyohachi
Nembutsu & Daimoku Recitation together
Bodhisattva Vows
Metta
- 4:40 p.m. Welcome message: Socho Koshin Ogui
- 4:45 p.m. Keynote Address I: Dr. Duncan Williams, University of California Berkeley
- 5:00 p.m. Break
- 5:15 p.m. Symposium: “Future Buddhism in America”
Moderated by Rev. Kenjitsu Nakagaki; includes leaders from various places and traditions throughout the United States
- Group Discussion & Interaction
- 6:30 p.m. Summary and Keynote Address II: Dr. Robert Thurman, Columbia University
- 6:50 p.m. Break
- 7:00 p.m. Public Viewing of the Buddha’s Relics: 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
- 7:45 p.m. Representatives’ Meeting at the Berkeley Buddhist Temple Hondo
Signing of Statement towards War & Peace: “Do not kill, and do not let others kill”
- 9– 9:30 p.m. Closing Ceremony: Jodo Shinshu Center Kodo.
Moment of reflection by participants, making a big circle
- Reading of “Metta Sutta” together followed by silent meditation
- Recessional with the Buddha’s relics: Monks, Nuns, and other leaders