

Zen Master Bernie Glassman Comes to Philadelphia

Internationally Recognized Pioneer of Socially Engaged Buddhism Around the World

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/EINPresswire.com/ -- Soji Zen Center, a Soto Zen Buddhist center located near Philadelphia, announced that Bernie Glassman will be conducting a workshop, book signing and talk on October 19th and 20th.

The founder of the [Zen Peacemakers](#), Zen Master Bernie Glassman, evolved from a traditional Zen Buddhist monastery-model practice to become a leading proponent of social engagement as spiritual practice. He is internationally recognized as a pioneer of Buddhism in the West and as a founder of Socially Engaged Buddhism and spiritually based Social Enterprise. He has proven to be one of the most creative forces in Western Buddhism, creating new paths, practices, liturgy and organizations to serve the people who fall between the cracks of society.



Bernie Glassman

In the Bearing Witness to the Oneness of Life workshop Bernie will trace his evolution from the dharma hall to blighted urban streets. He will share the practices and principles he has developed to teach service as spiritual practice and to create sustainable, major service projects, such as the Greyston Foundation in Yonkers, NY. Glassman will share the insights, revelations, personalities and personal experiences that have influenced his life and development. He will present some of his innovations, such as Bearing Witness Retreats, living on urban streets and gathering for a week at Auschwitz-Birkenau. He will talk about the future of socially engaged spiritual practice.

Bernie Glassman will lead the workshop "Bearing Witness to the Oneness of Life" on October 19th (10 am-4 pm) at the Lansdowne Friends School, 110 N. Lansdowne Avenue, Lansdowne, PA. At 5 pm on October 19th you will find Bernie signing his New York Times bestseller, *The Dude* and the Zen Master at Soji Zen Center, 2325 W. Marshall Rd., Lansdowne, PA followed by a reception. On October 20th at 8:30 am Bernie will give a talk at Soji Zen Center.

These events are being sponsored by Soji Zen Center, led by Jules [Shuzen](#) Harris Sensei who

established the center in suburban Philadelphia in 2005.

For registration and more information visit www.sojizencenter.com

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