



# Venice Hongwanji Buddhist Temple

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February 13, 2009

Dear Southern District Ministers and Temple Presidents,

Enclosed, please find the registration and information packet for the 2009 Southern District, Buddhist Women's Association, and Dharma School Teachers' League Conference. This year's SD and BWA Conference is hosted by Venice Hongwanji Buddhist Temple. The DSTL Conference is being co-hosted by VHBT and West Los Angeles Buddhist Temple. The Conference date is Saturday, June 13 at the LA Homba Hongwanji Buddhist Temple at 815 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Los Angeles, CA.

The opening to the 2009 Conference will feature the Southern District observance of Shinran Shonin's 750<sup>th</sup> Memorial Anticipatory Service.

The theme of the conference is ***Buppo Hiomare: Ondobo Ongogyo no Sekai*** (*May the Buddha Dharma Spread: Sharing the World of Fellow Seeker-Fellow Practitioner*). Keynote panels of SD Ministers will explore sub-themes of *Ondobo Ongogyo* with **Rev. Fumiaki Usuki** of WLABT facilitating in English and **Rev. John Iwohara** of VHBT facilitating in Japanese. Additionally, volunteer temples will share oral, PowerPoint or skit presentations of "Best Practices" of their Sangha to spread the Buddha-Dharma.

So that all attendees may participate in the full conference, the SDBWA General Meeting and the SDDSTL Delegates Meeting will take place during lunch.

Please share the information contained in this registration packet with your temple members and let us know at your earliest convenience the name and contact information of the person who will handle correspondence for your temple for the 2009 Conference. Please submit your registration materials together as a Temple to the Venice Hongwanji. Registration materials should be mailed to the VHBT at 12371 Braddock Dr., Culver City, CA 90230.

Thank you very much for your support. We look forward to sharing a day of *ondobo ondogyo*.

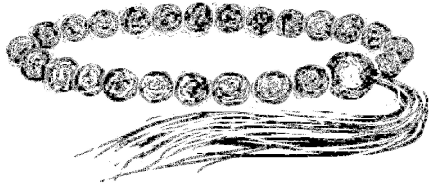
Sincerely in gassho,

Dianne Kujubu Belli  
Temple President

Rev. John Iwohara  
Resident Minister

# Buppo Hiromare

## Ondobo Ondogyo no Sekai



@ Los Angeles Betsuin  
815 East First Street  
Los Angeles, CA

2009 S.D. Conference - Saturday, June 13, 2009  
Registration : 8:30 AM - 9:15 AM

# REGISTRATION

**Registration Fee:** \$50 per person, \$25 discount for age 25 and under  
**Checks payable and mailed to:** VHBT, 12371 Braddock Dr., Culver City, CA 90230  
**Deadline:** **May 1, 2009**

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### YOUR TEMPLE CONTACT PERSON

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

*The 2009 Southern District Conference Committee will be conducting most of its correspondence by email.*

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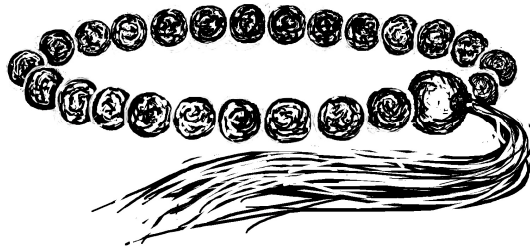
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## 2009 Southern District Conference – June 13, 2009



### SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

Before the conference:

Please let us know your temple contact person, with email address, for 2009 SD Conference correspondence as soon as possible by emailing: [sdconference2009@yahoo.com](mailto:sdconference2009@yahoo.com).

For electronic record keeping and filing, you may download a MS Excel file of the Registration Roster form at: <http://www.vhbt.org>

Please advise us of your requirement for bus parking. You may email the information to: [sdconference2009@yahoo.com](mailto:sdconference2009@yahoo.com).

At the conference:

Please send the temple contact person or other assigned individual to come to the registration desk to pick-up conference materials.

All conference attendees should do oshoko and be seated in the Hondo before opening service which will begin at 9:15 AM.

Please instruct oshoko representatives to sit in the front pews designated for the oshoko representatives.

If you have questions regarding the registration packet or anything concerning the conference, please contact the 2009 SD Conference Planning Committee by email at: [sdconference2009@yahoo.com](mailto:sdconference2009@yahoo.com).