

Venice Hongwanji Summer Reading List

The following is a list of titles that have been recommended by members of the Venice Hongwanji as summer reading or viewing.

Please share with us your comments about the selections and suggestions for further reading on our Yahoo.Groups section.

Have a safe and meaningful Summer vacation!

Children's Books

- Siddhartha & the Swan, Adiccabandhu & Padmasri, Windhorse Publications, 2004
- The Invisible Thread, Yoshiko Uchida, Simon & Schuster, 1991
- Thanksgiving at Obaachan's, Janet Mitsui Brown, Polychrome Publishing, 1994
- Little Daruma & Little Tengu, Satoshi Kako, Tuttle Publishing, 2003
- Of Nightingales That Weep, Katherine Patterson, Avon Books, 1980
- Blue Jean Buddha: Voices of Young Buddhists, Sumi Loudon, ed., Wisdom Publications, 2001

Adult Books

- Thousand Cranes, Yasunari Kuwabata, Perigee Books, 1981
- The Awareness of Self: A Guide to the Understanding of Shin Buddhism, Gyodo Haguri, (William Masuda, trans.), Kyoto, 1967
- Buddha of Infinite Light: The Teachings of Shin Buddhism, the Japanese Way of Wisdom and Compassion, Daisetz Teitaro Suzuki, Shambhala, 2002
- What Book!?: Buddha Poems From Beat to Hiphop, Gary Gach (ed), Parallax Press, 2005
- Shin Buddhism: Bits of Rubble Turn into Gold, Taitetsu Unno, Doubleday, 2002
- Though I Be Crushed: The Wartime Experience of a Buddhist Minister, Bunyo Fujimura, The Nembutsu Press, 1985
- Awakening the Buddha Within, Lama Surya Das, Broadway Books, 1998
- Zen Mind, Beginner's Mind, Shunryu Suzuki, Weatherhill, 1970
- Black Rain: A Novel, Masuji Ibuse, Kodansha America, 1994
- Just Add Buddha: Quick Buddhist Solutions to Hellish Bosses, Traffic Jams, Stubborn Spouses, & Other Annoyances of Everyday Life, Franz Metcalf, Ulysses Press, 2004

Film

- The Wild Parrots of Telegraph Hill (G), Judy Irving, 2003
- Duma (PG), Carroll Ballard, 2005
- Yume ("Dreams") (PG), Akira Kurosawa, 1990
- I Heart Huckabees (R), David O. Russell, 2004
- Asoka (R), Santosh Sivan, 2001