

LENZ FOUNDATION BUDDHIST LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Day	Hours	Activity	Presenter(s)	Location
THURSDAY October 4	1:00 – 6:00 pm	Check-In / Information / Bookstore Open	Kristin Vevon/Event Coordinator [cell: (413) 210-3423]	Entry of Main Hall
	6:00 - 9:00 pm	Informal Arrival and Get Acquainted Party; Welcoming Remarks	Norman Oberstein and Norm Marcus	Main Hall
		Music and fun! Local, organic, lite fare with local beers and wine. Alcohol allowed outside or in Lower Hall only. All meals and beverages complimentary.	Jazz - Order of Minstrels	Main and Lower Hall
FRIDAY October 5	8:00 – 8:30 am	Meditation	Dennis (Genpo) Merzel	Main Hall
	7:30 – 9:00	Breakfast – fruit, bagels, muffins		Lower Hall
	9:00 – 5:00	Check-In / Information / Bookstore Open	Kristin Vevon	Entry of Main Hall
	9:00 – 12:00	Panel discussion by Lenz Foundation Grant Partners: Partners' programs and their use of Lenz Foundation grant funds will be addressed. Grant Partners will discuss how they might interact to promote Buddhism in America. Time will be provided for audience questions.	Norman Oberstein, Moderator See accompanying list of speakers, their affiliations and biographies.	Main Hall
	12:00 – 1:00 pm	Lunch (Soups, Salads & Sandwiches)		Lower Hall
	1:00 – 4:30	Big Mind Presentation (Sample a Foundation-funded grant program)	Grant Partner Dennis (Genpo) Merzel	Main Hall
	7:00 – 9:30	Dinner Buffet Keynote Address: "American Buddhism - What's the Deal Here?"	Grant partner Bernie Glassman, introduced by Dennis (Genpo) Merzel	Main Hall
Film: "The Legend of Bodhidharma, Or How Zen Buddhism Came to the West" (The Bodhidharma Foundation of America)		Grant Partner Harold Stanton		

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SATURDAY October 6	8:00 – 8:30 am	Meditation	Jeff Sutter - a teacher in the Lenz Tradition	Main Hall
	7:30 – 9:00	Breakfast – fruit, bagels, muffins		Lower Hall
	9:00 – 5:00	Information / Bookstore Open	Kristin Vevon	Entry of Main Hall
	9:00 – 12:00	“The Great Heart Way” / “Instructions to the Cook”	Grant Partners Gerry (Shishin) Wick/ Bernie Glassman	Main Hall
	12:00 – 1:00	Lunch (Soups, Salads & Sandwiches)		Lower Hall
	1:00 – 4:30	The Lenz Legacy / Three Panels of Speakers and Teachers in the Lenz Tradition discuss: (1) A “Rama” Overview; (2) Career Success and Balance; and (3) Why Don’t More Women and Men Attain Enlightenment?	Walter Goodwin, Moderator See accompanying list of presenter biographies	Main Hall
	7:00 - 9:30	Dinner Buffet Music and Film: Rama’s “What is Enlightenment?”	Music and entertainment by Jack Sprague	Main Hall Main Hall
SUNDAY October 7	8:00 – 8:30 am	Meditation	Gerry (Shishin) Wick	Main Hall
	8:30 – 9:00	Breakfast – fruit, bagels, muffins		Lower Hall
	9:00 – 11:00	Buddhism in America – successes and setbacks: We will sum up the work of the Conference, consider the sponsoring of a national Buddhist conference, the desirability of small grants, weekend programs and other potential Foundation-funded events.	Moderators Walter Goodwin and Norm Marcus: Interactive program with feedback from all participants	Main Hall
	11:30 - 2:00:	<u>Brunch Buffet:</u>		Main Hall
	11:30: 12:00: 1:00:	Brunch Joaquin Lievano and Zazen in Concert Closing Address with question and answer period.	Helen Tworkov from Tricycle Magazine (a grant partner), introduced by Bernie Glassman.	

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SUNDAY October 7	2:00 – 5:00	Recreation time. Enjoy incredible Fall foliage! Canoe/kayak the Connecticut River or a join a guided nature hike.	See Kristin Vevon for details and participation.	