## WARM HAND TO WARM HAND: CREATING CONNECTION

An LGBTIQ Dharma Study Week at Tassajara Zen Mountain Center, Carmel Valley, CA

June 23-27 (Sunday-Thursday) with Jisan Tova Green

"To practice is not to collect things and put them in your basket, but rather to find something in your sleeve. It's just that before you study hard, you don't know what you have in your sleeve."

Shunryu Suzuki Roshi, <u>Branching Streams</u>



A STUDY WEEK AT TASSAJARA IS A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY to explore Zen teachings, meditation, and work practice under the guidance of a teacher. In the morning, participants join the residential community for the morning meditation program, breakfast, work practice and lunch. Afternoons and evenings include study sessions, lectures, opportunities to meet with the teacher individually, and ample personal time to enjoy the baths, creek and hiking trails, to rest and renew. Dinner is in the guest dining room.

We will study Suzuki Roshi's commentary on the Sandokai, or The Harmony of Difference and Equality, a poem by Sekito Kisen, which points us to the source of our own wisdom while acknowledging the value of study and the importance of cultivating relationships with teachers. Suzuki Roshi's words foster a perspective on our human lives in the context of our relationship to all things, past, present and future. These teachings can help us live in harmony with one another while recognizing our differences, and

The rate for Study Week is \$68 per person, per day for shared guest accommodations. If you are traveling with a companion, private rooms are available for two.

For Reservations: Please call 1-888-743-9362

Facilitator Bio: Jisan Tova Green, a Zen priest ordained by Eijun Linda Cutts in 2003, is the Vice President of San Francisco Zen Center. She has worked as a hospice social worker, paints and writes poetry. Tova is a co-founder and regular facilitator of SFZC's Queer Dharma group.