

Arcata Zen Group 2014 Membership Form
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The purpose of the Arcata Zen Group is to provide opportunities for the study and practice of Zen Buddhism. Zazen meditation, services, group readings and discussion, and teacher-led retreats (sesshin), form the core of our practice. Our emphasis is to encourage ourselves to integrate spiritual practice with our daily lives.

Name _____

Street Address or PO Box _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone Number _____ E-mail _____

Shall we include the above information in the AZG Contact List? Yes No

Only include the following: _____

In order to support our work, including our recent decision to have a resident teacher, we request that active members voluntarily pledge their financial support for AZG on a sliding scale of \$5 to \$100+ per month. There is no mandatory membership fee.

My pledge is (choose an amount and one of the following time periods):

\$ _____ per month \$ _____ quarterly \$ _____ semi-annually \$ _____ annually.

_____ I am unable to offer financial support at this time.

Comments, Concerns or Suggestions:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Rights of Membership: Members elect the Board of Directors, vote on major Sangha issues, and may borrow books and audio/visual materials from the Library. Membership is not required to participate in Sangha activities.

Responsibilities of Membership: The responsibility of active members is to contribute to the ongoing functioning of the group. Examples are: attending zendo and Sunday sittings, sesshin participation, work practice, serving on committees, financial support, and contributing to the online journal. The form of one's contribution is an individual decision. Memberships must be renewed each year in January. All information is confidential and will not be shared without your permission.

Volunteer work practice occurs in the following areas: Aikido Set-up for Sundays, Bathroom/Library Cleaning, Garden/Yard Care, Humboldt County Jail and Pelican Bay Prison Projects, Homeless Shelter Cooking, Library, Zendo Altar Care, and Zendo Cleaning. A list of group coordinators is distributed with the new member contact list in January. Please contact the group's coordinator if you are interested in participating.

Committee Service: One year of active practice is required to serve on the Board or Ways & Means Committee, and two years active practice for service on the Practice Committee. Please contact any committee member if you are interested in serving.