

Sleeves Tied Back

Commentaries on Dogen zenji's Tenzo kyokun

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These three classes were presented in 1986 by Roshi following zazen at the Vanier Zendo, the White Wind Zen Community's second centre. The classes were very informal so they should not be regarded as teisho. Anzan roshi was still working on a draft of the translation of "Tenzo kyokun: Instructions For the Tenzo" that he had done with Joshu Dainen zenji and so he used the translation published in "Moon in a Dewdrop" edited by Kazuaki Tanahashi. Had he been working from his own finished text, the classes would no doubt have been quite different. I have edited the text by inserting Roshi's translation which was published together with Dogen zenji's "Fushukuhanpo: How to Use Your Bowls" in 1996 as "Cooking Zen."

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