

Celebrating the Feminine Divine:

In this retreat we may discover that Kwan Yin, the Celestial Bodhisattva of Compassion, exists most powerfully in our deepest nature, as well as being a presence and inspiration in the world. We will be given the opportunity to experience profound rest and peace as we open to this transcendent female figure. Through sitting and walking meditation, a short writing exercise, guided visualization, music and chanting, we are invited to awaken in ourselves the loving playful energy of the “Goddess” of Compassion. Sandy will guide us in slowing down, relaxing and softening to ourselves and to the world through our awareness of Kwan Yin.



Mary B. Kelly

**A Weekend
with the
Bodhisattva of
Compassion
Kwan Yin
and Sandy
Boucher**

**Friday, April 24th, 5 pm to
Sunday, April 26th, 1 pm
Great Vow Zen Monastery**



Men and women welcome.

In exploring some of the feelings and beliefs surrounding our experience of compassion, we will always begin with nurturance of ourselves. Guided by Kwan Yin’s spacious presence, our practices cultivate acceptance of all that is human, with tender care for ourselves, our loved ones, the earth and all beings.

Please Bring: 1) something to put on the altar (precious object, photo of loved one, symbol of nature, etc.) Note: You will take it home with you after the retreat. 2) writing materials

A \$50 non-refundable deposit holds your space; balance due on arrival. The fee for the weekend covers lodging and meals only. Sandy receives no payment of any kind, except for your dana (financial generosity for the teacher). Men and women welcome.

\$150 (\$120 for ZCO members, \$75 reduced rate available, contact registrar for details) + dana



Sandy Boucher, M.A. has just published *She Appears! Encounters with Kwan Yin Goddess of Compassion*, which will be available for sale at the retreat. This rich compendium of writings and artwork features fifty Western women who have experienced powerful encounters with Kwan Yin. Sandy has practiced, written about and taught both Vipassana and writing for thirty years. She co-leads the “New Year’s Retreat” for Women at Great Vow Zen Monastery and the “Meditation and the Spirit of Creativity” retreat at Spirit Rock. She has published nine books..

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