



DHARMA TEACHER ORDER

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Miami Sangha Led Collective DTO Sanghas on May 23, 2020 in Zoom Session

The videos:

The recording of the practice together has been split apart and posted on the DTO Youtube channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDgWN9WmRSa5Ha3V-Ty_amQ

[5 23 2020 DTO National Practice - Incense and Refuges](#)

[5 23 2020 DTO National Practice - Prajna Paramita](#)

[5 23 2020 DTO National Practice - Chant and Meditation](#)

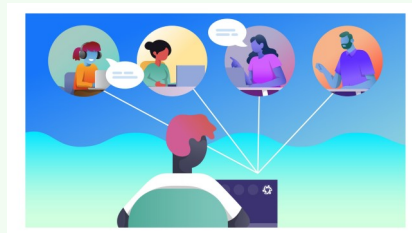
[5 23 2020 DTO National Practice - Five Precepts](#)

[5 23 2020 DTO National Practice - Touching The Earth](#)

[5 23 2020 DTO National Practice - Planned Dharma Sharing](#)

[5 23 2020 DTO National Practice - Open Dharma Sharing](#)

[5 23 2020 DTO National Practice - Closing](#)



DTO Dharma Festival on June 6, 2020 in Zoom Session

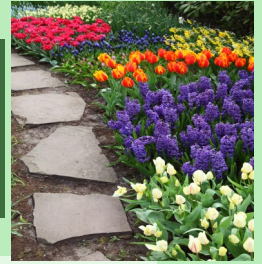
Craig Hannah's Notes on the videos:

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Just right-click.

**FROM MICHELLE HÄRTEL
OF THE CONNECTICUT SANGHA**



My Life Is A Garden

**My life is a garden, everblooming.
Until it is not.**

**Early morning, watering the plants.
Life awakens.
Flowers blooming.
Birds and insects darting about.**

**Early morning, meditating.
Life awakens.
Compassion growing.
Monkey mind darting about.**

**Autumn arrives.
Foliage withers.
Nourishment for next year's blooms.**

**Death arrives.
Physical being ceases.
Lessons for those who follow.**

**My life is a garden, everblooming.
Until it is not.**

**A POIGNANT POEM FROM PLUM VILLAGE
INSPIRED BY THE DEATH OF GEORGE FLOYD
SUBMITTED BY THE TEXAS SANGHA**

i can't breathe
said George Floyd
the knee of four hundred years of racism
on his neck

i can't breathe
said the woman with fear
in her eyes
her lungs attacked by coronavirus
as she was put onto the ventilator

i can't breathe
said the nurse, exhausted
after a long shift
sweating under a hot surgical mask
and foggy goggles

i can't breathe
said the one hundred thousand
dead americans
a nation
and a world
in mourning

i can't breathe
said cities choked in smoke
from a planet on fire

i can't breathe
said the earth
suffocating under a blanket
of carbon emissions

breathe my dear
said the buddha of our time
reminding us of the way
to love and healing and transformation

breathe my dear
said mother earth
and let my oceans, mountains,
and forests embrace you

right now
when it seems so hard to breathe

right now
just breathe

from the Plum Village community

DHARMA TALK LINKS FROM THE TEXAS SANGHA

Submitted by Sister Pháp Lan

<https://1drv.ms/v/s!AkNCCzQRWw-th5FLgqqL7pHv8RnRog?e=Z66kA8>

(Sister Phap Lan on The Four Immeasurables)

<https://1drv.ms/v/s!AkNCCzQRWw-th5FN99w8FD-pYn2Jtg?e=306fbd>

(Dharma Teacher Alex Quiros on Peace)

<https://1drv.ms/v/s!AkNCCzQRWw-th5BHrQqPgLqldGwQnw?e=oi0ZUT>

(Dharma Teacher Jon Giang Đạo on Doubt)

<https://1drv.ms/v/s!AkNCCzQRWw-th40LuNJL2hTDkBMx3Q?e=bWHynq>

(Dharma Teacher Alex Quiros on Trauma)

https://1drv.ms/v/s!AkNCCzQRWw-th5BGWelpY5vc_GnLbw?e=iWgfod

(BCC Mentor Wendy Liu on Pervasive Suffering)

https://1drv.ms/v/s!AkNCCzQRWw-th5Ji2HwOBOPg0_axWA?e=ARbqD9

(BCC Mentor Das Miriyagalla on Clear Comprehension in Daily Activities)