

# Teachers' Brief Introduction for Children Camp 2010

## **Bertolotti , Will:**

Will Bertolotti is a high school studies teacher in Long Island, New York. He has worked with youth at the Bodhi Monastery for many years and combines his enthusiasm for teaching with patience and humor.

## **Miss Angela**

Hello, my name is Angela and I teach seventh grade science in Morris County. I graduated from The College of New Jersey with degrees in Biology and Education and am currently pursuing a master in K-12 Curriculum and Instruction. Cooking and traveling are two of my favorite hobbies. Thus far, I have traveled to different parts of Taiwan, Italy, Canada, and about twenty different U.S. states - including Hawaii, California, Colorado, Nevada, and Washington. I lived in Taiwan during the summer of 2007 with Korean and Chinese American instructors to teach English courses for middle school students. In college, I was the vice president of the Asian American Association and choreographed various Chinese dances for our annual multicultural show. I also worked to promote Asian culture by organizing campus activities like language and calligraphy workshops, multicultural buffets, and events for keynote speakers such as author Da Chen and comedian Dat Phan. This is my first year conducting classes at the Buddhist Summer Camp. I look forward to teaching hands-on lessons about environmental awareness and recycling, and hope you are excited for the vegetarian food workshop. See you there!

## **Swenson, Ting:**

Ting Swenson holds a Bachelor of Arts in English Language and Literature from Tamkang University, Taiwan, and the Master of Arts in Theater Arts from California State University, Fullerton, CA. She was a 3-times winner of "Best Director" at college. Since college, she has devoted herself to introducing "Great Buddhist Thoughts" into public drama performances. She served as volunteer Director & Playwright for the Jersey Shore Chinese School, Fidelity Chinese School, North Jersey Chinese School and Tzu-Chi Chinese School for the past 10 years. One of her original plays also received the "Best Play Award" from Tzu-Chi Foundation USA in 2004. She was the Program Director for Nai-Ni Chen Dance Company, NJ in 1996, and the Manager of Shiny Shoes Children's Theatre, Taipei, Taiwan before coming to USA. She is now a Sr. System Engineer for a non-profit telecommunication company in NJ. As a member of BAUS - Buddhist Association of the United States and ChueFeng Buddhist Art & Culture Foundation, her greatest lifetime desire is to present outstanding Buddhist performances to the world. Aside from this, she is an aspiring bowler but a lousy driver! Feel free to contact her if you are interested in joining her in this journey at [ting100@verizon.net](mailto:ting100@verizon.net).

## 楊甦居士簡歷

楊甦居士畢業於紐約市Baruch College，主修電腦統計。

從事電腦工作多年。對人文教育教學有多年經驗。

一九八二年始接觸佛法，現任美國佛教會董事，曾任莊嚴寺夏令營講師，積極協助推動大紐約區佛法讀書會。

### **Yang, Sue-Sue:**

Sue-Sue graduated from Baruch College in NY. She majored in Computers and Statistics. Sue-Sue worked in the computer industry, and she has a lot of teaching experience in Humanity Education.

Sue-Sue started learning Buddhism in 1982. Now she is a Trustee of BAUS, and was an instructor of CYM's summer camp.

Sue-Sue helps set up Dharma Study Groups in the New York & New Jersey area.

### **Zimmer, Sophia:**

Sophie Zimmer is currently a senior in college, in pursuit of receiving two bachelors' degrees in Environmental Science and Print Communications. I'm twenty years old, and have been practicing both Buddhism and Wicca for several years. It is my strong belief that the environment is vital to our state of living, and we need to continue to protect and take care of the earth as it continues to sustain our population. Combining Buddhist beliefs and traditions, along as modern technologies and processes, pressing the importance of the Environment, and giving back to the planet that supports us, is what I hope to achieve in my class.