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RENEWAL FORM AT END OF NEWSLETTER

WSF08 REPORT

Greetings ALL!

Attached at end of newsletter after page 5 and before the renewal/join form is the **WSF08 Official Programme** - schedule of events for Sydney World Shakuhachi Festival 2008.

NEW NEWS

From John Holmes Holmes treasurer:

Leather Uteguchi covers for the Shakuhachi.







These are the best quality Buffalo/Cow hide and have the assorted colours shown (I only have one of each colour at present).

The method of securing the covers is by a leather tie...so much better than the old push button that seemed to either not fasten securely, or tear the faux leather with continued usage. The price of the leather covers is \$15 AUD which will cover postage within Oz.

Orders can be emailed to me through: johnholmes@ozemail.com.au with payment sent to John Holmes P.O.Box 63 Woodford, NSW 2778

(same PO as ASS) [HINT ASS SUBS – Ed.]

From Monty Levenson:

Recipients of the Tai Hei Shakuhachi Scholarship honoring the memory of master craftsman Masuda Shuho and Steve Shinraku Buchbinder have been selected. My sincere apologies for the delay in making this announcement. Since December, I have been dealing with a death in my family that has taken up much of my time and energy.

Once again, it was a challenge for Kayo and I to chose from amongst all of the worthy individuals who applied. Each and every one of you deserve recognition for your hard work and dedication to shakuhachi.

This year, thanks to several generous contributions to the scholarship fund, we were able to give out \$1,750 in cash awards as well as two non-cash awards.

Recipients of the 2008 Shakuhachi Scholarships are:

Peter Spring for the The Steven Spring Foundation - New Orleans, LA (\$500 + Shakuhachi Flute &

- New Orleans, LA (\$500 + Snakunachi F. Accessories)

Brian Yee - Santa Fe, NM (\$500) **John Kypros** - New York, NY (\$500)

I Made Widana - Pegosekan, Bali Indonesia (\$250 + Shakuhachi Flute & Accessories)

We wish to thank all the applicants, their teachers and others providing letters of recommendation and supporting documents as well as contributors to this this year's scholarship fund. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

More information about the recipients: http://www.shakuhachi.com/TOC-Scholarship.html

Sincerely, Monty & Kayo Levenson

NEW CD from Phil James:

I have just released a new CD of solo shakuhachi music, "dreaming of waking up." It includes six honkyoku and three original pieces. You can learn more at:

http://nyokai.com

Best wishes

Phil Nyokai James http://nyokai.com

[This Cd can be electronically downloaded after payment or a real CD can be ordered via Paypal payment via the website. Ed]

European Shakuhachi Society News

As you are probably aware, there are a number of shakuhachi events in various countries in Europe this summer. Please don't forget the World Shakuhachi Festival in Sydney in July. But if you are unable to attend that event (or even if you are), you may wish to consider one of the European events.

The deadlines for application for these events are fast approaching (and some have already passed). So if you'd like to participate in them, please apply as soon as possible.

Full details are on the ESS website:

http://www.shakuhachisociety.eu/summerschools.html

but brief information, taken from the website, is given below, in chronological order.

Best regards,

Jim Franklin (ESS chairperson)

Short Summer School with Michael Coxall and Kiku Day

Saturday to Sunday, 21st to 22nd June 2008, London, UK

This year's Shakuhachi (Japanese bamboo flute) summer school at SOAS, University of London, will focus on the playing Sankyoku (traditional ensemble

music) and Honkyoku (traditional solo repertoire of the Zen Buddhist monks, Komusô).

Michael Soumei Coxall is an experienced player and teacher of Sankyoku and has a Shihan license (Master license) from the Chikumeisha school of Kinko style playing. The focus will be learning the technical difficulties of the pieces as well as learning how to integrate the Shakuhachi in the trio with Koto (13-string zither) and Shamisen (long-necked lute). There will be opportunities to play in the ensemble.

Kiku Day will teach Honkyoku from Okuda Atsuya's Zensabô style, focusing on the traditional techniques as well as the aesthetics of this unique musical genre, which used to be used as a tool for meditation. Thoughts on how to use Honkyoku as a personal spiritual practice will be discussed as well.

There will be classes for intermediate and advanced players as well as ensemble playing for the Sankyoku class and individual instruction.

Please download the detailed schedule from the SOAS website:

http://www.soas.ac.uk/music/summermusicschool/

Shakuhachi Summer School

From 3rd to 6th July 2008 in Basel / SWITZERLAND

Shakuhachi workshop dedicated to the traditions of Kinko- and Taizan-Schools.

Teachers

- Chizuko Hayashi and Kikuchi Naoko, Koto and Sangen, Ikuta-ryû
- Andreas Fuyû Gutzwiller, Kinko-ryû Honkyoku and Sankyoku
- Ueli Fuyûru Derendinger, Taizan-ryû Honkyoku
- Andrea Fuyûan Hofer, Kinko-ryû Honkyoku and Sankyoku
- Wolfgang Fuyûgen Hessler, Taizan-ryû Honkyoku
- Jürg Fuyûzui Zurmühle, Taizan- and Kinko-ryû Honkyoku

Contact:

Andreas Gutzwiller, andreas.gutzwiller@chikuyusha.ch

Details and application forms can be downloaded from the ESS website. Shakuhachi Masterclass

From 26th July to 2nd August 2008 in Treigny / FRANCE

The French association La Voie du Bambou (The Bamboo Way) organizes the next shakuhachi master class conducted by Teruhisa FUKUDA (shakuhachi) and Shiho KINEYA (shamisen).

Teruhisa FUKUDA is one of the most talented shakuhachi players in Japan.

Shiho KINEYA, a disciple of the famous composer Seiho KINEYA (Ichijo, Meikyo) is a top level shamisen player and singer in traditionnal or contemporary music.

This master class proposes to explore ensemble music with shamisen. This is a unique opportunity to meet exceptional musicians and teachers, sharing time and music in a 13th Century Castle located in Burgundy.

Teachers

- Teruhisa FUKUDA, Shakuhachi
- Shiho KINEYA, Shamisen

Contact: For further informations or registration please contact

Daniel LIFERMANN, nardlife@club-internet.fr

Website: http://shakuhachi.france.free.fr

Details can be downloaded from the ESS website:

http://www.shakuhachisociety.eu

Shakuhachi Summer School with Jim Franklin and Véronique Piron

Saturday (evening) to Thursday (after breakfast), 23rd to 28th August 2008 in Northern Bretagne, FRANCE

Jim Franklin and Véronique Piron are offering a 4 day summer school of classes and concerts, focusing on the repertoire of the Kokusai Shakuhachi Kenshukan (the school of YOKOYAMA Katsuya). Teaching will be in French (primarily) and in English as necessary.

Full details and application forms can be downloaded from the ESS website.

Shakuhachi Summer School with Kifu Mitsuhashi, Christopher Blasdel and Vlastislav Matoušek

Saturday to Tuesday, 30th August to 2nd September 2008in Prague, Czech Republic

Teachers:

- Kifu Mitsuhashi: member of Pro Musica Nipponia ensemble, one of the most respected players regarding both, contemporary and traditional shakuhachi music, player of Kinko and Fuke styles.
- Christopher Blasdel: especially recognized for his cooperation with poets, dancers and sculptors on cross-genre projects, his main teacher was living national treasure Yamaguchi Goro (Chikumeisha School), he also studied Fuke style with Okamoto Chikugai.
- Vlastislav Matoušek: art-music composer, shakuhachi player and scholar, student of Kifu Mitsuhashi, head of Ethnomusicology at HAMU (faculty of Music at the Academy of Musical Arts).

Each teacher will teach one group lesson a day, focusing on a single honkyoku piece throughout the four days of the summer school. That will enable the teacher to go into details of the particular piece.

Moreover, it will give him plenty of time to give numerous individual and small group consultations. These consultations will be arranged and scheduled in the morning student-teacher meeting.

For inquiries and reservations contact

Marek Matvija at mmardias@hotmail.com.

Information is available at:

www.shakuhachicollegium.cz

Good to see the European scene taking off and they have just made your News Editor a life member. [Ed.]



THE LONG FLUTE

Pictures from Tilo Burdach, maker and player of "Kyotaku" shakuhachi



Bamboo Forest Kyushu Japan



Tilo washing bamboo



Tilo and Kyotaku master flutemaker Agar Noiri.

Your News Letter editor has for sale a DB 1.8 but only one piece shakuhachi. 10 years old - well played!

Typical DB sound ... bright and responsive. Reason for sale - aquired a better 1.8.

Price \$300 ono AUD

Matama Kazushi has opened up holes 1 and 3 a bit. If interested email me **DIRECT** ranftg @ iinet.net.au

Here's another David Brown 2.0





Made from Tasmanian Huon Pine - hundreds of years old. Best offer includes Dvds and books with CD this Ni Shaku (2.0) instrument in C by David Brown is in first class condition.

Details from: astruz@bigpond.com

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Last but not least...



Any resemblance between a certain committee member is entirely co-incidental....

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CONCERT PROGRAMME

Concert 1

Traditional and Modern: Japan in the roaring twenties

Art Gallery NSW Art After Hours Celebrity Concert Wednesday 2 July 6.30-7pm

This free concert in conjunction with WSF08 accompanies the AG NSW's stunning exhibition *Taisho chic: Japanese modernity, nostalgia and deco*, which shows the embrace and clash of Western modernity with traditional Japan in the roaring twenties.

Known for its delightful romantic schmalz, the music from the Taisho era (1912-1926) is both popular and traditional. This concert brings the sights of yesteryear alive with sound. Performers are the international faculty of the pre-festival WSF08 Rockies Down Under Shakuhachi Camp.

Concert 2

Breath to Breath: TaikOz and the Shakuhachi

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WSF08 Opening Concert Friday 4 July 8pm, City Recital Hall Angel Place

Mushin / Mind of No Mind
Resounding Bell
Solo From Kaidan: A Ghost Story
....Peals Of Thunder
Tsukiyo No Kenshi / Moonlight Warrior
Tribute To Miyake
Kokû Reibo / Bell Ringing In The Empty Sky
Shima No Hana / Island Flower
Yamagoe / Mountain Crossing
Circle Dance

Performed by TaikOz and guest artists Junsuke Kawase III, Christopher Yohmei Blasdel, Kaoru Kakizakai, and David Kansuke Wheeler.

See pages 12 and 13 for more information about this concert.

Concert 3

S-1 Grand Prix World Finals Concert

Saturday 5 July 10am Verbrugghen Hall, Sydney Conservatorium of Music

Here, world shakuhachi leaders and stars of tomorrow, all under the age of 40, gather on one stage for this international competition for three Young Artist prizes. The 10 finalists (listed alphabetically below) were selected by means of mp3 recording auditions recently held, as representatives from the following categories: Japan, Australia, the Americas and the rest of the world.

Thirty-six competitors submitted recordings for the regional preliminaries. These are the finalists. Each competitor will perform a six-minute shakuhachi solo of their choice and judged by an international panel of judges.

(S-1 Grand Prix finalist biographies can be found on page 25)

Ryan Anglim (USA) Kumoi-jishi

Lindsay Dugan (Aus) Daha

Philip Horan (Ireland) Kari

Kazuhiko Kira (Japan) Hi Fu Mi Hachigaeshi

Bronwyn Kirpatrick (Aus) Asuka Reibo

Taichi Miyamae (Japan) Kogarashi

Marty Regan (USA) Kikyô Gensôkyoku

Joshua Smith (USA) Yamagoe

Justin Williams (Japan) Tsuru no Sugomori

Ting Zhang (China) Ajikian

Concert 4

Angelic Voices: A World of Shakuhachi

Saturday 5 July 7pm City Recital Hall Angel Place

Historically, the sound of the shakuhachi has held a strong appeal, both musical and spiritual. This concert showcases the range of that appeal. Two pieces, *Nesting of Cranes* and *Distant Cry of Deer*, are both directly informed by the spiritual tradition of sonic meditation founded by the Zen shakuhachi master. *The Wellspring* features the shakuhachi in ensemble with Japan's representative zither, the koto. The shakuhachi and guitar duo of Neptune and Naoi offer jazz and original music in a warm western context. Finally, the two world premieres in this program take the shakuhachi into two deeply divergent modern contexts; *Shakedown* is for live shakuhachi and pre-recorded sound, while *The Aftermath* combines the shakuhachi with a children's chorus, marimba and taiko.

Izumi / The Wellspring

Composer: Michio Miyage ca 1930 Kifû Mitsuhashi – shakuhachi Masateru Andô – koto

Shakedown, for shakuhachi and CD (world premiere -

WSF08 commission)

Composer: Matthew Hindson, 2008 Performer: Yoshio Kurahashi

Tsuru no Sugomori / Nesting of the Cranes

arr. Nakao Tozan (1876 - 1956)

Performers: Genzan Miyoshi and Seizan Matsuzaki

The Aftermath (world premiere - WSF08 commission)

Composer: Dan Walker, 2008 Performers: Sydney Children's Choir

karak percussion – marimba

Anton Lock and Tom Royse-Hampton – taiko

(courtesy TaikOz)

Toshimitsu Ishikawa, Véronique Piron,

Michiaki Okada

WSF08 participant shakuhachi ensemble

Kamogawa (2003) Bamboo Born (1987) High on Five (1992) West of Somewhere (1979)

all composed by: John Kaizan Neptune John Kaizan Neptune

Takao Naoi – guitar

Shika no Tône / Distant Cry of Deer

Composer: traditional anon.

Performers: Teruo Furuya and Kazushi Matama

Concerts 5 and 6

...in the Between, Meditations and Illuminations on The Tibetan Book of the Dead

Saturday 5 July 10pm and 12 midnight Music Workshop, Sydney Conservatorium of Music

The intimate setting of the Conservatorium's Music Workshop lends itself to an austere and meditative presentation of *The Tibetan Book of the Dead*, featuring Trikaya: Michael Askill, percussion; Riley Lee, shakuhachi and drum; Tensin Choegyul, singing, Tibetan instruments and narrator James Coates.

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A premiere for Sydney, this concert is more 'experience' than performance. Audiences are invited to close their eyes and allow excerpts from the most influential of all Tibetan Buddhist texts to fully permeate their sensorial awareness.

"Awakened One, do not let your thoughts wander. Now the bardo of the moment before death is dawning, Abandon all grasping, yearning and attachment, Enter undistracted into clear awareness, release your consciousness into the space of the unborn mind."

Meditations and Illuminations on The Tibetan Book of the Dead

...in the Between brings together four of Australia's finest multi-cultural collaborators in a highly original interpretation of *The Tibetan Book of the Dead*. Using selected text readings combined with musical meditations and sound illuminations this theatrical and musical experience provides an insight into how we can prepare for the mind's release from the body and the experiences of 'the between'.

The 'Bardo Thotrol' (The Great Liberation through Hearing in the Between) texts were composed by Padmasambhava in the 14th century, buried in central Tibet and later discovered by Karma-Lingpa.

"Although this book is ostensibly written for the dead, it is in fact about life" Francesca Fremantle (author of Luminous Emptiness and co-translator with Chogyam Trungpa of The Tibetan Book of the Dead)

 \ldots in the Between was created while Michael Askill was a guest of the NORPA (Northern Rivers Performing Arts) Creative Lab.



Concerts 7 and 8

As Australian as a Shakuhachi

Sunday 6 July 3pm and 8pm* Verbrugghen Hall, Sydney Conservatorium of Music

This program features the shakuhachi's success as a modern ensemble instrument and as an integral part of the contemporary international music scene, which has transcended old boundaries. The Grainger Quartet, harpist Marshall McGuire, didjeridu player Matthew Doyle and karak percussion appear alongside international shakuhachi players to perform new works composed by four Australian composers, two Americans and one French resident.

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Voyage (world premiere)

Composer: Marty Regan, 2008

Performers: Grainger Quartet - strings, Jim Franklin

The Place We Go (world premiere)

Composer: Lachlan Skipworth, 2008

Performers: karak percussion - vibes and marimba.,

Retsuzan Tanabe

Mirage (world premiere)

Composer: Elizabeth Brown, 2008

Performers: Grainger Quartet – strings, Elizabeth Brown

A Life in a Day (WSF08 commissioned world premiere)

Composer: Stuart Greenbaum, 2008

Performers: Marshall McGuire – harp, Kifû Mitsuhashi

Tyalgum Mantras

Composer: Ross Edwards, 1999

Performers: Matthew Doyle - didjeridu, karak percussion,

Shôzan Tanabe

Echoes of Waves (World Premiere) Composer: David Loeb, 1992

Performers: Patrick Murphy - cello, Akikazu Nakamura

Fleeting Moment (WSF08 commissioned wolrd premiere)

Composer: Elena Kats-Chernin, 2008

Performers: Grainger Quartet - strings, Chikuzan Nanba

Hanasaki Yama / Flower Blooming Mountain

Composer: Kohachirô Miyata, 1986

Performers: Coro Innominata - chorus, WSF08 participants

- shakuhachi and koto ensembles

Henkyoku Haru no Umi / Spring Sea Variations

Composer: Kohachirô Miyata, 1986

Performers: WSF08 participants - shakuhachi and koto

ensembles

^{*}The programme for the 8pm repeat concert will not have *Echoes of Waves*, and will include the following:

Concert 9

World Masters Concert

Monday 7 July 7pm City Recital Hall Angel Place

In a rare treat for Australian audiences, classical and modern pieces intertwine in a program for shakuhachi and other traditional Japanese instruments.

Following musical blessings from both Australian and Japanese traditions, this program presents the shakuhachi in its classical roots as a vessel of the Dharma in spiritual practice with two works from the Zen shakuhachi tradition, *Kinuta*, *Nesting Cranes* and *Contemplation of the Letter "A"*. *Lingering Moon*, the ethereal classical ensemble, was performed by the late Living National Treasure Gorô Yamaguchi at WSF98 in the US. The modern works in the program feature the shakuhachi in ensemble with the western harp, as WSF08 Artistic Director Riley Lee presents the modern non-Japanese composition, *Feather on the Breath of God* and as Kôhachirô Miyata performs his own modern duet, *Forest of the Flycatchers* together with the koto, the Japanese 'harp' or 'zither'.

Welcome and Spirits' Dance

Arranger: Matthew Doyle

Performer: Matthew Doyle - voice, dance, didjeridu, clap

sticks

Tamuke / Offering

Composer: traditional anon.

Performers: WSF08 participants - shakuhachi ensemble

Kibitaki no Mori / Forest of the Flycatchers

Composer: Kôhachirô Miyata, 1979 Performers: Haruko Watanabe – koto

Kôhachirô Miyata

Kinuta Sugomori / Kinuta Nesting Cranes

Composer: traditional anon. Performer: Kodô Araki

Zangetsu / Lingering Moon

Composer: Minezaki Kôtô c.1790

Performers: Akiko Fujii - Shamisen, Masateru Andô - Koto,

Junsuke Kawase III

Feather on the Breath of God

Composer: Anne Boyd, 2002 Performers: Marshall McGuire – harp

Riley Lee

Ajikan / Contemplation of the Letter "A"

Composer: traditional anon. Performer: Reibo Aoki II

Concert 10

Soulful Shakuhachi

Tuesday 8 July 5pm

Verbrugghen Hall, Sydney Conservatorium of Music

The final concert of the World Shakuhachi Festival 2008 focuses on the multifaceted character of this simple bamboo flute, as versatile as it is simple in construction.

Demios

Composer: Cyrus Meurant, 2003 Performers: Clare McDonogh – harp

Kuniyoshi Sugawara

Impermanence (world premiere)

Composer: James Cuddeford, 2008

Performers: Natsuko Yoshimoto and James Cuddeford -

violin

James Eccles – viola Geoffrey Gartner – cello Akikazu Nakamura

Piece for Solo Shakuhachi

Composer: Harue Kondoh, 1993 Performer: Kifû Mitsuhashi

Watazumi no Iroko no Miya/ Voyage to the Deep Ocean Palace

Composer: Randô Fukuda, 1923, arr. Tomiko Kojima, 1981

Performers: Teruo Furuya Kaoru Kakizakai

Kazushi Matama

Aki no Shirabe/Autumn etude

Composer: Michio Miyagi, 1918 Performers: Masateru Andô – koto Christopher Yohmei Blasdel

The Root of the Wind (world premiere)

Composer: Frances White, 2008 Performers: TaikOz - taiko Hôzan Nomura

Bamboo Metamorphosis

Composer: Ichirô Seki, 2002

Performers: karak percussison - marimba and taiko

Kaoru Kakizakai Hidekazu Katô Taizan Kawamura Kuniyoshi Sugawara

WSF08 participant shakuhachi ensemble



OTHER FESTIVAL EVENTS

All venues at Sydney Conservatorium of Music

Saturday 5 July 2008

PERFORMANCES

Recital Hall East 1:30pm HONKYOKU: SHAKUHACHI AND ZEN I

Performers: Kaoru Kakizakai, Kazushi Matama, Carl Rathus, Stan Kakudô Richardson, Ronnie Nyogetsu Reishin Seldin, Zenpo Simura

Recital Hall West 1:30pm

YOSHIO KURAHASHI'S MUJÛAN CONCERT

Performers: Jûzan Akiyoshi, Martha Fabrique, Preston Keido Houser, Jane Kilthau, Yûzan Nakata, James Nyoraku Schlefer, Natsuko Tanaka; Philip Flavin and Ayako Kurahashi (koto, shamisen, voice)

Recital Hall East 3:30pm HONKYOKU: SHAKUHACHI AND ZEN II

Performers: Elizabeth Reian Bennett, Kifû Mitsuhashi, Alcvin Ramos, Shôdô Sakai, Ronnie Nyogetsu Reishin Seldin, Kômei Takemura

Recital Hall West 3:30pm SANKYOKU: CLASSICAL ENSEMBLES I

Performers: David Kansuke Wheeler, Reiko Yokota; Akiko Fujii and Akiko Watanabe (koto, shamisen, voice)

Jazz Café 9pm LATE NIGHT JAZZ OPEN MIC

WORKSHOPS

Shika no Tône Performance – Kômei Takemura Zen Listening, Zen Practice – Stan Kakudô Richardson Lecture: Historical Perspective on Zen and the Shakuhachi – Tom Hare

Panel: Old Flutes - John Singer, Zenpo Simura

E-mu Ensemble Performance – Christopher Yohmei Blasdel; Hideaki Kuribayashi (koto)

San'ya Performance - Tadashi Tajima

Performance Breathing - Kuniyoshi Sugawara

Sunday 6 July 2008

PERFORMANCES

Verbrugghen Hall SHAKUHACHI MASTERCLASS I 9:30am

Reibo Aoki II

CONCERT

SHAKUHACHI MASTERCLASS II 10:45am

Kodô Araki V - Timbral Travels with Meri-Kari

Music Workshop Hall 1:30pm SAWAI INTERNATIONAL KOTO SCHOOL

Performers: Satsuki Odamura and Hideaki Kuribayashi (koto); others

Recital Hall East 1:30pm

HONKYOKU: SHAKUHACHI AND ZEN III

Performers: Reibo Aoki II and Shôji Aoki, Bronwyn Kirkpatrick, Retsuzan and Shôzan Tanabe, John Singer, Daniel Nyohaku Soergel

Recital Hall East 3:30pm CONTEMPORARY CREATIONS I

Christopher Yohmei Blasdel, Tomoe Kaneko, Shunzan Matsushita, Seizan Matsuzaki, Hiromu Motonaga, Anne Norman, Akihito Obama, Kaoruko Saijô, Kuniyoshi Sugawara, Shikû Yano; Izumi Fujikawa (koto)

Jazz Café 10:30pm LATE NIGHT JAZZ OPEN MIC

WORKSHOPS

Miyagi Piece Performance – Masateru Andô (koto, voice)
Didjeridu Playing – Matthew Doyle, Alcvin Ramos
Improvisation – John Kaizan Neptune
Lecture: Women in Shakuhachi, New Horizons – Martha Fabrique
Panel: Old Flutes and Jinashi – Zenpo Simura, Brian Ritchie
Non-Japanese songs on Shakuhachi – Robert Herr
Tsuki no Kyoku Performance – Elizabeth Bennett



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Attention existing members – Please renew your membership and support ASS! **Other Shakuhachi enthusiasts** – You are cordially invited to join ASS

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- ◆ coordinating the Australian Shakuhachi Festival to celebrate the art of shakuhachi, workshops and performances are offered.

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