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Location What Is Shambhala? Shambhala Meditation Center of Philadelphia is part of a global community which aspires to awaken kindness, goodness and wisdom within society. The Shambhala teachings are grounded in ancient wisdom and practical knowledge from many traditional cultures, especially teachings from ancient Tibet. These teachings begin with the understanding that all beings are basically good, and that life is worth living. We call this a path of spiritual warriorship, which here means living a life of fearlessness, gentleness, and intelligence. The Shambhala teachings emphasize being in the world, and bringing together everyday life, work, family, and social action with the path of meditation. The teachings focus on how to help this world. In essence, Shambhala is about living a full human life, right in the midst of challenges. The wisdom does not belong to any one culture or religion, nor does it come from the West or the East. Rather, it is a tradition of human warriorship that has existed in many cultures at many times throughout history. This nature can be cultivated through meditation , following ancient principles, and it can be further developed in daily life, so that it radiates out to family, friends, community and society. In the course of our lives, this goodness, warmth and intelligence can easily become covered over by doubt, fear and egotism. The journey of becoming fully human means seeing through fear and egotism, and waking up to our natural intelligence. It takes kindnessâ€™ to ourselves and othersâ€™ and courage, to wake up in this world. The essential tool for doing this is mindfulness meditation. As we continue on the Shambhala path , we learn many other practices, to help us break through the ancient crust of ego and awaken to the joy of fully living in this world. Awakening and opening, we discover the world to be naturally sacred, pure and full of beauty. We begin to see clearly the goodness and wisdom of others, and to feel compassion to help them in myriad ways. Shambhala vision is rooted in the contemplative teachings of Buddhism, yet is a fresh expression of the spiritual journey for our time; it is available to practitioners of any tradition. This tradition teaches how to live in the secular world with courage and compassion. Philadelphia Shambhala Community Philadelphia Shambhala Meditation Center is a community of individuals committed to practicing, studying, gathering and building the basis for a caring and compassionate society. Our Center has been at Sansom Street for over 30 years and offers open meditation sessions, individual meditation instruction always free of charge , weeknight classes, and weekend retreats. As part of a global community, we are happy to offer many resources in the way of retreat centers, publications, online teaching and resources, and social networking.

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Regional programs Way of Shambhala Way of Shambhala is an extensive path of training in authentic meditation practices and wisdom teachings for anyone interested in pursuing such training. This program of courses and weekend retreats offers an experiential overview of practices, teachings, contemplative arts, and physical disciplines rooted in the ancient traditions of Shambhala and Vajrayana Buddhism. The program is open to people of all religious backgrounds or no religious background. It is recommended for new and experienced meditators as well as those looking to enrich their personal spiritual path and social action. We welcome you to participate to the extent you wish. Sample a course or a weekend retreat—or a number of them—at any time. The full program is described below. Way of Shambhala consists of the following elements: Unconditional Confidence—a weekend retreat; the Basic Goodness series—three courses, with six weekly classes in each; and the Sacred Path series—six weekend retreats. Way of Shambhala also encompasses some one- to two-week retreats and advanced assemblies. The courses are interactive, communal, and create a learning environment where the teachings are intimate and relevant. Participants train in meditation, and use inquiry, dialogue, and contemplative arts to integrate the teachings. The weekend retreats are opportunities to deepen meditation practice in a powerful environment that meets the needs of a workweek and family life. You may start with any series except the Sacred Path. In each series, the courses or weekend retreats are designed to be taken sequentially. The most gradual introduction is to take the Meditation in Everyday Life course first. We encourage concurrent participation in both, if possible, as the combination can profoundly deepen and extend meditation. Meditation in Everyday Life The Meditation in Everyday Life course is designed to provide participants with the introductory tools and teachings for working with meditation in daily life. With simple instructions and support, mindfulness meditation practice can become part of our lives, bringing greater stability, strength, and clarity. Open to all Weekend Retreat 1: Shambhala Training Level I Through the practice of meditation, we begin to glimpse that goodness—rather than confusion—is the unconditional ground of our existence. Opening to ourselves with gentleness and appreciation, we begin to see our potential as genuine and compassionate human beings. Open to all Weekend Retreat 2: Meditation practice allows us to observe how we create a cocoon of habits to mask underlying fear. We begin to appreciate that there is no fundamental obstacle to experiencing basic goodness. Shambhala Training Level I Course 2: Contentment in Everyday Life This course provides an exploration of genuine contentment, the foundational views of the Buddhist teachings, and meditation in action for daily life. With meditation practice, we can learn to appreciate ourselves and simple human experiences, free from self-aggression. Difficult emotions and the challenges of life can be met with gentleness, steadiness, and humor. Open to all Weekend Retreat 3: Shambhala Training Level III Examining our habitual tendencies, we begin to look at our willingness to experience our life without relying on the cocoon. We begin to engage the world directly and extend the attitude of fearlessness to our activities. Joy in Everyday Life As meditation practice expands and we develop trust in basic goodness, we can begin to discover the confidence and personal energy to go forward on the journey. Joining gentleness with discipline leads to a sense of joy. The mahayana teachings on compassion can become the inspiration for a life of bravery and freedom from doubt. Open to all recommended preparation: Contentment in Everyday Life Weekend Retreat 4: Shambhala Training Level IV Trusting further in basic goodness and daring to experience the sharp edge of reality, we move forward with gentleness, increased awareness, and inquisitiveness about the world, as it is. We find that we can extend ourselves to others fully and with kindness. Fearlessness in Everyday Life Learning to work with our anxiety, we are not blocked by fear. Through an exploration of the Buddhist teachings on mind and the nature of reality, we learn to see clearly. We dare to face life and death as they are. The meditator, open to

uncertainty, goes beyond the emotions of hope and fear to experience equanimity. Joy in Everyday Life Weekend Retreat 5: Shambhala Training Level V Communicating with the world gently and fearlessly, our awareness is sharpened and we find the open clear sky of mind—a delightful source of wisdom and uplifted energy. We learn to trust our nature enough to let go into the present moment. Wisdom in Everyday Life Meditation sharpens our intelligence and uncovers our wisdom. Participants receive practical instructions for discovering trust and magic, even in the midst of challenge. No longer deterred or depressed by obstacles, we can include everything as part of the path. The challenges of daily life become opportunities for both contemplative practice and social and ecological action. Fearlessness in Everyday Life Rigden: The Rigden is a representation of our basic enlightened nature and embodies the principle of unconditional confidence. The key difference between the Everyday Life courses and the Basic Goodness courses is that the Everyday Life courses emphasize personal transformation in daily life, whereas the Basic Goodness courses emphasize the experiential study of view and meaning. While you may start with this series, we recommend the preparation outlined below. We also recommend that you complete the Basic Goodness series before attending Enlightened Society Assembly if possible. The Basic Goodness series is prerequisite for Warrior Assembly. It includes teachings on basic goodness, selflessness, the arising of ego and cocoon, buddha-nature, and the confidence of warriorship. We practice contemplative investigations of the self, based on the foundations of mindfulness. How Can I Help? We look at a Shambhala understanding of society, and what enlightened society may be. Is society something that is ultimately confused, or is there goodness in human society? The course focuses on transforming four aspects of society: Open to all strongly recommended preparation: It is oriented toward the experience of sacred world, the magic and wonder of the natural elements. The course also has an ecological emphasis. The Rigden weekend retreat and Basic Goodness series are strongly recommended additional preparation. Great Eastern Sun This weekend retreat teaches us how to see the Great Eastern Sun, the primordial energy and brilliance that is the basis of all that exists, and emphasizes the living context for building a sane society. Rigden weekend retreat and Basic Goodness series Weekend Retreat 2: The practice is a way to bring about skillful and heartfelt social engagement, enabling the warrior to go forward in the midst of whatever challenges occur. Great Eastern Sun Weekend Retreat 3: Drala Through exploring the depth of perception, one engages the elemental and magical strength inherent in the world. The principle of drala refers to the sacred energy and power that exists when we step beyond aggression. Windhorse Weekend Retreat 4: The training in the dignities allows one to maintain awareness and delight at each stage. Here one trains to overcome arrogance—the primary obstacle to learning. Perky is the second of the four dignities and focuses on cultivating sharp, vibrant and uplifted energy through natural discipline. Overcoming the trap of doubt, the warrior of Perky is able to accomplish his or her activities with a sense of nobility and ease. Drala Weekend Retreat 5: Outrageous and Inscrutable The third and fourth dignities, Outrageous and Inscrutable, emphasize fruition and refer to the extraordinary skill of a practiced warrior. No longer afraid of making mistakes, the unconventional and visionary perspective of the outrageous warrior combines with the skill of spontaneous inscrutability to create benefit for others on a large scale. Meek and Perky Weekend Retreat 6: It teaches the practice of enriching presence—the ability to instantly sense the inner wealth within oneself, phenomena, and the natural world.

Chapter 3 : ChÃ¶gyam Trungpa Quotes (Author of Cutting Through Spiritual Materialism)

The sacred warrior conquers the world not through violence or aggression but through gentleness, courage, and self-knowledge. The warrior discovers the basic goodness of human life and radiates that goodness out into the world for the peace and sanity of others.

Course 1 Who am I? How did I get here, and where am I going? Looking directly at the experience of mind, we begin to understand our apparent confusion about ourselves and the phenomena of our world. Renouncing the painful cycle of confused action karma, we use the natural inquisitiveness of mind to see how confusion arises and therefore how it could simply cease, allowing awake wisdom to manifest. The Practice of Lojong

Course 2 We live in complex relationships with other sentient beings. Often these relationships affect us emotionally. The Basic Goodness of Being Human

Course 3 This course looks into the subjects of basic goodness, selflessness, the five skandhas form, feeling, perception, formation, and consciousness and Buddha nature. We look at a Shambhala understanding of society, and what enlightened society may be. Is society something that is ultimately confused, or is there goodness in human society? The course focuses on transforming four aspects of society: It is oriented towards the experience of sacred world, the magic and wonder of the natural elements. There is an ecological element to the class. How Can I Help? Great Eastern Sun

This weekend program teaches how to see the Great Eastern Sun, the primordial energy and brilliance that is the basis of all that exists. The practice is a way to bring about skillful and heartfelt social engagement, enabling the warrior to go forward in the midst of whatever challenges occur. Great Eastern Sun Drala

Through exploring the depth of perception, one engages the elemental and magical strength inherent in the world. The principle of drala refers to the sacred energy and power that exists when we step beyond aggression. The training in the dignities allows one to maintain awareness and delight at each stage. It teaches the practice of enriching presence—the ability to instantly sense the inner wealth within oneself, phenomena, and the natural world. You can attend for a full month, or by the week. It is open to anyone and is a very powerful introduction and deepening of mindfulness-awareness meditation. Each day consists of alternating periods of sitting and walking meditation with time for talks, study, and a short work period. Silence and functional talking are observed throughout the day. Meals are served in the shrine room oryoki-style, a practice of mindful eating taken from the Zen tradition. There is regular individual instruction with trained meditation instructors.

Enlightened Society Assembly The Enlightened Society Assembly Sutrayana Seminary is a Shambhala mahayana program that emphasizes the view of the intrinsic goodness of all beings, practices that rouse bodhichitta and compassionate openness, and confident activity that engages fully in the world. In particular, living up to its name, this Assembly will focus on how we can create enlightened society on the spot, at home, in our city and nation, and wherever we go. Enlightened Society Assembly is a pre-requisite for attending Warrior Assembly. Enlightened Society Assembly and Warrior Assembly are prerequisites for this program. For more information, pre-requisites, and upcoming dates [click here](#).

Shambhala Training Shambhala Training is a structured path of meditation and emotional intelligence education rooted in the ancient wisdom of the Shambhala tradition and crafted for the challenges of modern existence.

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Students are introduced to Buddhist and Shambhala teachings in the context of an ongoing meditation practice. Shambhala Meditation Centres around the world offer a broad and carefully thought-out range of classes, meditation programs and community activities. At our residential practice and retreat centres, students can deepen their meditation through longer programs, and engage in periods of intensive study. The path consists of a series of classes and retreats designed to stabilize and strengthen our meditation practice, and to clarify our understanding of the teachings. These courses offer entry into the wisdom tradition of Shambhala as well as the classical teachings of Tibetan Buddhism. A careful sequence of group practice programs at residential centres ensure the unfolding of deeper training, including week-long meditation retreats as well as specific Assemblies that introduce more advanced practices. Mindfulness practice is playing an increasingly prominent role in contemporary society as interest in this approach to life continues to grow. A unique quality of the meditation teachings is that they can be expressed through existing cultural norms, making use of them rather than replacing them. This allows many modern people to practice meditation today without renouncing our cultural heritage or radically changing our lifestyles. The path places strong emphasis on joining the view and practice of meditation with everyday life, rather than the more traditional monastic approach though we also have a Shambhala monastic order. The Shambhala path has been carefully designed so that we can immerse ourselves in all courses and retreats—“even the deeper trainings”—while still sustaining a family, career, and service in the world. Way of Shambhala Way of Shambhala is a complete introduction to the foundations of Shambhala Buddhism. This series of weekend contemplative workshops and weeknight classes provides an experiential overview of meditation practice, wisdom teachings, contemplative arts, and physical disciplines rooted in the ancient traditions of Shambhala and Tibetan Buddhism. Contemplative Arts and Practice Inspired by Nalanda, an eleventh-century Indian university that welcomed teachings and disciplines from many different traditions, a number of arts, disciplines and activities have developed within Shambhala. Each represents a genuine contemplative path that further enriches our day-to-day experience. It is a powerful introduction and deepening of mindfulness-awareness meditation, open to anyone. The program includes sitting and walking meditation. Silence and functional talking are observed and meals are served in the shrine room through a contemplative eating practice. The retreat includes talks, study, and a short work period. This deep training emphasizes the view of the intrinsic goodness of all beings and society, practices that rouse compassionate openness, and confident activity that engages fully in the world. In particular, this Assembly focuses on how we can create enlightened society on the spot, at home, in our city and nation, and wherever we go. Participants train in a practice to expand the warmth and strength of our hearts called the Shambhala Sadhana. This program works to integrate study, practice and community with an aim to understanding the basic goodness of oneself, others, society and the phenomenal world. There is a chance to make a personal commitment to be of benefit by taking the Enlightened Society Vow. Under the guidance of an Acharya and another senior teacher, Enlightened Society Assembly provides an opportunity to fully engage and integrate these teachings and practices while living in a Shambhala practice environment.

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The Sacred Path program is a study of these texts and on the extensive commentaries he and Sakyong Mipham gave on these teachings and how to practice them in modern times. Warrior Assembly Participants receive the transmission of advanced Shambhala practices of confidence and study the root text and commentary, The Golden Sun of the Great East.

Contact Shambhala Training Shambhala Training is a series of contemplative workshops, suited for both beginning and experienced meditators. The simple and profound technique of mindfulness and awareness is the basis of a secular path of meditation, which can benefit people of any spiritual tradition and way of life. Shambhala Training is the study and practice of Shambhala warriorship—the tradition of human bravery and leadership. This path shows how to take the challenges of daily life in our modern society as opportunities for both contemplative practice and social action. Shambhala Training is inspired by the ancient legend of the Kingdom of Shambhala, said to be a society which drew its gentle and fearless sense of social responsibility from the practice of meditation. The legend of the Kingdom of Shambhala has been a guiding vision for many centuries in Asian culture and has parallels in Western traditions. All aspects of our daily life and society—family, commerce, education, the arts—can be permeated with a sense of sacredness. This program of workshops and courses is taught by experienced Shambhala teachers. The unfolding stages of the Way of Shambhala curriculum represent the natural progression of awakening in our lives. The Heart of Warriorship Shambhala Training is organized into five weekend workshops that include meditation training and practice, talks by senior instructors, personal interviews and group discussions. Levels I-V provide a strong foundation in mindfulness-awareness meditation practice, emphasizing the development of genuineness, confidence, humour, and dignity within the complexity of daily life. The workshops are recommended for new and experienced meditators, as well as for those looking to enrich their existing spiritual path. The Art of Being Human Through the practice of meditation, we glimpse unconditional goodness as the ground of our existence. Opening to ourselves with gentleness and appreciation, we begin to see our potential as genuine and compassionate human beings. Birth of the Warrior Having experienced a taste of basic goodness, we want to go forward. Meditation practice allows us to observe how we create a cocoon of habits to mask our fear. We begin to appreciate that there is no fundamental obstacle to experiencing basic goodness. Warrior in the World Developing fearlessness by examining our habitual tendencies, we are willing to experience our life without relying on the cocoon. We begin to engage the world directly and extend the attitude of fearlessness to our activities. Awakened Heart With trust in basic goodness and daring to experience the sharp edge of reality, we move forward with gentleness, increased awareness, and inquisitiveness about the world, as it is. We can extend ourselves to others fully and with kindness. Open Sky Communicating with the world gently and fearlessly, our awareness is sharpened and we find the open clear sky of mind—a delightful source of wisdom and uplifted energy. We trust our nature enough to let go into the present moment. The Sacred Path The Sacred Path program introduces further practices of warriorship, that extend the basic meditation training. These practices are based on a societal vision and aspiration to help the world. Great Eastern Sun This weekend program teaches how to see the Great Eastern Sun, the primordial energy and brilliance that is the basis of all that exists; an introduction to membership in Shambhala—a living context for building a sane society. The practice is a way to bring about skillful and heartfelt social engagement, enabling the warrior to go forward in the midst of whatever challenges occur. Drala Through exploring the depth of perception, one engages the elemental and magical strength inherent in the world. The principle of drala refers to the sacred energy and power that exists when we step beyond aggression. The training in the dignities allows one to maintain awareness and delight at each stage. Here one trains to overcome arrogance—the primary obstacle to learning. Perky As the second of the four dignities, this level focuses on cultivating sharp, vibrant and uplifted energy through natural discipline. Overcoming the trap of doubt, the warrior of perky is able to

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The Japanese samurai, the warrior-kings of Tibet, the knights of medieval Europe, and the warriors of the native American tribes are a few examples of sacred warriorshipâ€”a universal tradition of wisdom.