

Melbourne Zen Group Membership Application



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The Melbourne Zen Group is a diverse range of people with a love of the Dharma who come together as a Sangha to support each other in the practice of Zen Buddhism. Our main activities include:

- Tuesday evening and Saturday morning zazen
- Monthly zazenkai and full moon zazenkai
- Two annual sesshin (with Subhana Barzaghi Roshi and Susan Murphy Roshi)
- Two annual teacher-led weekend zazenkai
- Teaching activities (including dokusan) offered by Kirk Fisher, Apprentice Teacher in the Diamond Sangha
- Occasional talks by visiting teachers and experienced students
- Occasional Sangha forums and social activities

Members are able to contribute to decision making that determines the direction of the group, have ongoing access to dokusan with group teachers, receive advanced notification and booking priority for some events, and can access our library of books and teisho recordings. Members also receive a twice-monthly member newsletter email (non-members can sign up to receive our monthly event update email).

How to become a member

If you are very new to the group, we recommend that you take a few months to get to know us, and to confirm that you wish to engage more deeply in group practice, before applying for membership. If you've been participating in Melbourne Zen Group activities for more than a few months however, we encourage you to consider applying for membership as a way of showing your deeper, ongoing commitment to the group, our teachers and activities.

Step One:

If you would like to become a member, or have any questions about membership, please speak to a Practice Facilitator or Committee Member. The MZG Committee will respond to applications at its upcoming monthly meeting.

Step Two:

When you receive notification that your application for membership has been accepted, finalise this form with your payment details (over page).

Your details

Name:

Email:

Address:

Mobile:

Membership payment

- **New members are charged for half the year if joining from 1st August – 31st December in any calendar year.**
 - **Membership renewals fall due in February each year.**
- \$60 Full Membership
- \$120 Concession Membership

Payment for this year:

Your membership payment helps keep the group running. Separate fees are charged for sesshin, workshops and some other activities, and a 'sitting contribution' helps us to cover our rent and basic administration.

Privacy declaration

The Association Incorporation Reform Act 2012 allows your address to be released to anyone requesting it unless you refuse. You can elect to prevent automatic release of your personal information by ticking the box below

I request for my personal information to be kept private.

Signature:

Date:

Payment method

Date when direct deposit was made:

Cheques payable to the Melbourne Zen Group

Send application and payment details to Katrina Lavender (Membership secretary):

Email (preference): committee@mzg.org.au

Postal address: 5 Gum Glade, Eltham North, VIC 3095