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# Eco Sangha Seminar

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**Date:** Sunday, Nov 3, 2019

**Time:** 10:00am - 10:50am

**Place:** Ekoji Buddhist Temple

**Speaker :** Rev. Donald Castro

Rev. Don Castro retired from BCA as the head minister of Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple at the end of 2016. He is a graduate of IBS (Institution of Buddhist Studies) where he first made the connection between Buddhism and Ecology.

## What is an Eco Sangha?

The Eco Sangha was founded to promote the awareness that to be a Buddhist is automatically to be an Ecologist and a Conservationist. This view of Buddhism goes beyond sectarian differences and can act as a unifying force for dynamic Buddhist conservation efforts.

Shin Buddhism has some rather unique perspectives which are reflected in the Japanese expression "Mottainai (Wasteful)" which lies at the heart of the BCA National Council "Eco Sangha Resolution" which was passed in 2015.