Frequently asked Questions for June 2024 Seibukan Seminar In Langley, WA, USA

1. **If I have questions that are not addressed below, who do I contact?** Prior to the seminar, please contact Mary Mozingo via email at: mmozingo@whidbey.com. She will try to respond ASAP, but sometimes it might be a day or two before she can get back to you.

During the seminar week, you can text Mary at: (360) 632-1660

2. Where is the Seminar? The Seminar will be held at the South Whidbey Community Center, in the Multi-purpose Gym located <u>behind</u> the main red brick building.

Address: 723 Camano Ave, Langley, WA 98260

- **3.** What are the dates of the Seminar? Wednesday June 5, 2024-Saturday June 8, 2024.
- 4. **How many sessions of the Seminar will there be?** There will be two sessions each day, the morning Sessions are from 9am 12pm, and the afternoon sessions are from 1pm 4pm.

Current draft itinerary is attached in the appendix. All sessions are open to all, but the morning sessions on Wednesday and Thursday will be geared for the Senior Students.

- 5. **Will lunch be provided?** Attendees can purchase lunch for \$20 each day. Let us know of any special allergies or food needs.
- 6. What are the fees?

Fees: Adult \$75 per session/150 per day	# of Days/Sessions	w/out lunch	w/Lunch	Late Registration Fee (applies after 3/1/24)
	1 full day	150	170	+25
	2 full days	300	340	+25
	3 full days	450	510	+25
	4 full days	600	680	+25
Children (under 18) \$50 per				
session/100 per day	1 full day	100	120	+25
	2 full days	200	240	+25
	3 full days	300	360	+25
	4 full days	400	480	+25

- 7. What is the Late Registration Fee? To encourage early registration, so that we can effectively plan for the seminar, we request attendees to please register before March 1, 2024 (this has been pushed out 1 month from the date on the flyer). An additional \$25.00 per attendee will apply to the total seminar costs for any registrations made after March 1, 2024.
- 8. **Where is Langley, WA?** Langley is a small seaside town, located on Whidbey Island, in the State of Washington.
- 9. **How do I get to Langley?** Generally, by plane *and ferry*, see below:

a. Airports:

Seatac International Airport (SEA) is about 50 miles south of Langley. Unless you live on the West Coast of the United States, this is likely your best option. Car rentals are on sight.

Paine Field, Everett WA (PAE): if you live on the West Coast of the United States, this is a small regional airport only a few miles from Whidbey Island. Local carriers offer direct flights from major cities on the West Coast (e.g., Portland, San Jose, Orange County, Palm Springs, Phoenix). If you can get a direct flight to this airport, it will save you travel time. Car rentals are nearby, but not on sight. See the Appendix.

(1) Are there airport shuttles to Whidbey? YES! The Whidbey Island Shuttle services both airports and will bring you directly on to Whidbey Island. If you can ride-share with others once on the island, this is worth considering.

Home - Seatac Airport Shuttle (seatacshuttle.com)

b. Ferry:

The most common way to get to the South end Whidbey Island, where Langley is located, is by Ferry, out of Mukilteo Washington. The Ferries run about every half hour, every day, and will take you to Clinton, Washington. Clinton is just a few miles from the Seminar. See link below for current sailing schedule, but note that the summer schedule will vary somewhat, so be sure to check it again just before you travel.

Note: the ferries do not run in the early morning hours, so if you have a late flight, you should seriously consider spending the night in a hotel, on the main land, otherwise you might get stuck waiting in the ferry parking lot overnight. Not fun.

WSDOT - Ferries - Schedule: Winter 2024 Sailing Schedule for Mukilteo / Clinton

If you are coming from North of Whidbey Island (e.g., driving from Canada), you can access Whidbey Island via the Deception Pass Bridge on North Whidbey. This is quite scenic and you'll enjoy it!

10. Do you have any other suggestions for traveling?

For those traveling longer distances and arriving into Seatac late in the evening, I suggested the following for some travelers from the east coast. If you have other questions based on your circumstances/itinerary, contact Mary.

"Given the time change and the late arrival into Seattle, I would recommend looking for a hotel close to Seatac. By the time you get your bags and car rental and such, I would think you'd be exhausted and not want to venture thru downtown Seattle.

You could see some of Seattle on Tuesday morning / early afternoon, before heading to Whidbey. Downtown Seattle and Pikes Place Market is only about 10 exits / 10ish miles from Seatac, but probably best to venture to it in the light of day once rested.

You will want to try to get the Whidbey ferry either before 4 pm or after 6 pm (otherwise your ferry wait will likely be longer). Getting to Whidbey earlier in the afternoon will give you more time to get situated, get to the grocery store and such before the seminar on Wednesday. And you'll still be on east coast time. On the other hand, it will be summer time and the sun won't set until 9ish....so getting your bearings will still be pretty easy even if you get a later ferry. [I'm one that doesn't like driving around in the evening in a new place....hence my thought process.]

For the spouses that will be sightseeing: you could spend the better part of a day going around Langley. It's a small seaside town w/only about 3 blocks to walk around. Further up the island there is Coupeville, but it's much like Langley. There is a very nice Spa at the Inn at Langley (very expensive) but you could spend time there if that is something you like to do. We are planning on having an afternoon demonstration on Saturday that is open to observers and other martial arts dojos, so you may want to back at the seminar for that."

After the seminar, depending on how many more days you have on your trip there's lots to do and see in the PNW! It's a beautiful part of the country."

11. Where can we stay? Close to the seminar: in the towns of Langley, Freeland or Clinton.

https://www.saratogainnlangley.com/

https://innatlangley.com/

https://www.whidbeybandb.com/

http://www.whidbeygetaway.com/

http://www.martysplace.com/

https://www.comfortsofwhidbey.com/ - Shimabukuro Sensei and his son are staying here, as is Nagata Sensei. Rita, the owner, is a member of our dojo. She is saving rooms for the seminar, but only has 3 left. If interested and let her know you are in town for the seminar.

Further north up the island, **for larger groups**, this might be an option (it will be about a half hour drive to/from the seminar each day though):

https://fortcaseyinn.com/

Lots of options on VRBO.com or Airbnb.com: (search for Langley, Clinton of Freeland WA for places close to the seminar, or Greenbank or Coupeville for places about 20-30 minutes from the Seminar):

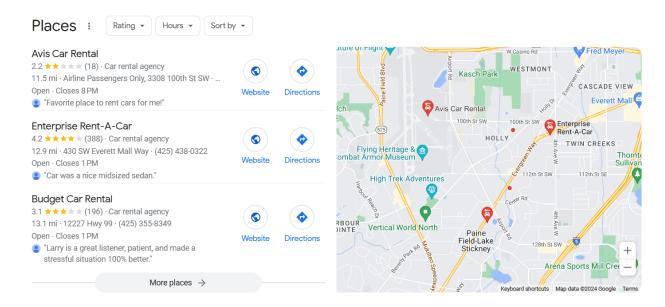
Appendix

Draft Itinerary as of 21Jan24, subject to change:



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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3	4 Sensei travel day	Sensei Seminar geared toward Senior students in the morning session, but all welcome to both morning and afternoon sessions	Sensei Seminar geared toward Senior students in the morning session, but all welcome to both morning and afternoon sessions	7 Seminar morning and afternoon sessions; More children should be in attendance	Seminar morning and afternoon sessions; More children should be in attendance	9 Tourist activities in/around Seattle for Sensei
10 Sensei travel day	11	12	13	14	15	16

Car Rentals near Paine Field Airport



Washington State Ferry Schedule - Mukilteo, WA to Clinton, WA

Note: summer schedule times may vary, but the ferry still runs about every half hour, most of the day.

