Meeting: November 24, 2003

Film: Doris Dörrie, “Enlightenment Guaranteed,” 2000

1. Presentation Amando

2. First impressions about film

3. Discussion points:

   Protagonists: Describe Uwe, his background, and his change on his way from Munich to the Zen monastery and back to Tokyo

   Describe Gustav, his background, and his change on his way from Munich to the Zen monastery and back to Tokyo

   Visions of Tokyo

   Producing a film with a small digital video camera: opportunities and limits

   What can we learn about Zen Buddhism in this film?

   Does the film contain certain elements of a “Buddhist aesthetic”: the beauty of small things, the beauty of patient observation
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