



**Japanese Taiko Drumming**

**Artist: Monmouth Taiko-Japanese Drumming**



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**About the Artist:**

Monmouth Taiko is based in Monmouth, Oregon. The group was started in 1995 to provide an opportunity to practice and perform the age old Japanese tradition of *Taiko Drumming*. The group made their own *taiko* drums, so it took a few years for the membership to expand. Today the group has eight performing members and five of them came to the US from Japan to further their education.

For our performance, we play traditional and contemporary rhythms on large drums called *taiko*. There are choreographed movements with the drumming, as well as singing and flute. We also tell stories about the *taiko* songs and Japanese culture.

**Performance Detail:**

- A typical performance is thirty to forty-five minutes long.
- We can also teach a small group of students to play *taiko* in a thirty to sixty minute workshop that will accompany the performance.

**Performance Fee:**

Price	Performance
\$300	Performance only
\$360	Performance with dance