

Present the SACRED ART TOUR OF TIBETAN MONKS

May 29-June 3, 2018

Eight Tibetan monks from the Drepung Gomang Monastery in India bring teachings of ancient ways and beliefs that create the possibility of global peace, non-violent conflict resolution, compassion and wisdom. Highlighting their trip is the creation in Florida CraftArt's exhibition gallery of a Sacred Sand Mandala.

Don't miss this experience where the monks will share Tibetan culture and traditions, as well as offering us universal lessons on compassion and impermanence.

The Sacred Art Tour supports the 2,000 monks in Mundgod, India, with funds for their education, healthcare and nutrition.

Hand-crafted items by Tibetan artisans will be for sale.

SPONSORS OF THE SACRED ARTS TOUR AT FCA:

Presenting: AARP Tampa Bay

Housing of the monks: beacon430

Patron: Unitarian Universalist Church of St. Petersburg

Dinner hosts: Bella Brava, Cider Press Café, Hawkers Asian Street Fare, The Don CeSar

Lunch hosts: Asie, Brooklyn South, Lonnie's, Punky's Bar and Grill, Rollin' Oats Market, Stacie's Cottage Café



The monks chant and play instruments.



Photo by Brian James

SCHEDULE Daily chanting at 10:15 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Tuesday, May 29

10:15 a.m. Opening Ceremony at Florida CraftArt

10:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. Creation of Sacred Sand Mandala at Florida CraftArt

5 p.m. Tai Chi demonstration and participatory class

Wednesday, May 30

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Creation of Sacred Sand Mandala at Florida CraftArt

5:30-7 p.m. A reception featuring Tibetan Culture, including the Lucky Dance and the Snow Lion Dance. Members \$20; nonmember \$25 *Limited space*

Thursday, May 31

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Creation of Sacred Sand Mandala

5:30 p.m. **Florida CraftArt MEMBERS ONLY:** Join the monks for a twilight dinner at The Don Cesar terrace on St. Pete Beach. Followed by a sunset ceremony and special performance to bless The Don and their 90th Anniversary. \$60 per person.

Friday, June 1

10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Creation of Sacred Sand Mandala at Florida CraftArt

4-5:15 p.m. Guided group meditation with Pegie Stark to compliment the teachings of the monks; bring a pillow to sit on.

Saturday, June 2

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Creation of Sacred Sand Mandala

10:30 a.m. to noon Rock Painting Workshop: The monks will show how to paint Tibetan symbols on rocks. Each participant can paint their own rock as a keepsake. Members \$20; nonmember \$25

2-4 p.m. Sand painting workshop with monks. Members \$20; nonmember \$25

7-8 p.m. **Unitarian Universalist Church:** Panel discussion with the monks (including a translator) as they react to our times blending basic meditation practice and elements of Lojong (training the mind). Free to the public.

Sunday, June 3

Noon: Finalization of Mandala

1 p.m. Dissolution Ceremony: The mandala is swept up and shared with our community in a ceremony of gratitude and blessings, followed by a procession to the bay, where the monks will deposit sand from the mandala and perform a Buddhist blessing.



The monks perform the Lucky Dance and the Snow Lion Dance.

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

We would appreciate sponsorships for the programming and special events planned during this performance and exhibition. Thank you for your tax-deductible support of our nonprofit organization!

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- Top billing in all print and web publications: Name and logo on web header, E-newsletter-5,000 member list
- Press announcements: In local and regional newspapers, tabloids, web listings
- Signage: In event gallery in a large font, vinyl lettering on wall and/or exterior window, FCA web link
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- Opportunity for early entrance and preferred seating (with ID) at Opening Ceremony
- Opportunity to participate in special events at member rate for programming during exhibition
- Opportunity to have a sponsor table

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- Press announcements: In local and regional newspapers, tabloids, web listings
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- Opportunity to participate in special events and programming during exhibition

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- Press announcements in tabloids, local and regional newspapers, web listings
- Acknowledged: at opening as Supporting Sponsor

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