# Dudjom Lingpa's Nang Jang Empowerment, Oral Transmission and Teachings with Tulku Jigme Wangdrak Rinpoche April 14-16, 2017

# **Pre-Arrival Information**

Thank you for registering for the Nang Jang Retreat. Please read through the following information and contact us if you have questions.

# <mark>Texts</mark>

Buddhahood Without Meditation: A Visionary Account Known As Refining One's Perception (Nang Jang), Padma Publishing; Available at <u>Dharma Treasures</u>

### **Payment**

Please complete registration by paying in full before your arrival.

### Payment options (other than credit card):

Check made out to "Vajrayana Foundation" and mailed to Vajrayana Foundation, 2013 Eureka Canyon Road, Watsonville, CA 95076. Please write "NJ 17" on the envelope. [Should the bank decline your check, you will be charged a 3% monthly fee on your remaining balance and billed for any bank fees.]

# **Cancellation and Refunds**

If you cancel <u>7 days or more</u> before your arrival we will refund 75% of your fee. If you cancel <u>less than 7 days</u> ahead of time, we regrettably cannot issue a refund. Refunds will be issued in May.

#### Financial Assistance

Vajrayana Foundation seeks to make retreats open to everyone, regardless of financial situation. If you require financial assistance, we offer payment plan options and other alternatives. Please contact <u>office@vajrayana.org</u> to make arrangements. <u>No one will be</u> <u>turned away from teachings due to lack of funds</u>.

#### What to bring

Water bottle Flashlight Sleeping bag or sheets and pillow case Towels Tent, if camping, Thermarest or equivalent Ear-plugs (if disturbed by noise) Warm- and cool-weather comfortable clothing (layers work best) Sensible shoes for uneven terrain

We provide chairs and cushions

- Prescription medication, especially asthma medication and heart medicines. Medical care is for all practical purposes an hour away.
- A bowl and small drinking receptacle for tsok (suggested to cut down on paper waste)

### **Parking and Driving**

Please park in **Parking Lot A** (sign-posted).

You may park by the Sangha House if you are staying there.

Please do not park in front of the pond, in the cabin area, behind the Sangha House or in front of the Shrine Room (lamas only).

Unless you have a physical disability, please do not drive around on the land.

If you need to drive to the Shrine Room or Dining Hall, contact the office for a Parking Permit Please keep onsite driving speed to less than 5 mph.

### **Accommodations**

We provide indoor housing with 2-4 people per room (same sex).

All beds come with a light comforter and a pillow. You must bring sheets and a pillow case or pay an additional rental fee.

You are welcome to bring your own tent and camp.

### <mark>Food</mark>

We serve vegetarian options at all meals and meat dishes at most lunches.

We will have gluten-free meal options but other than this, we apologize for not

being able to accommodate individual dietary restrictions or requirements. If you have high protein needs, please bring supplemental snacks. There is limited

refrigeration by pre- arrangement.

Tea and hot water are available at the Dining Hall at all times. Coffee is available at breakfast. Please do not keep food in your room, in order not to attract animals and insects.

#### Work Assignments

We ask that onsite guests contribute an hour of work a day towards the smooth running of this event.

Assignments will be given upon arrival.

#### Phones and Computers

Verizon provides the best cell phone service for this area.

The phone in the Information Booth can be used to make free local calls. Use your calling card for long distance.

WIFI is available at the Dining Hall and the Bookstore.

#### **Miscellaneous**

This is a rustic location. **Poison-Oak** is a plant that induces allergic reactions in most

people after contact so please keep to the paths to prevent contact with it.

- **Tick Bites** If you feel a bite and there is a small black spot on your skin you may have been bitten by a tick. Some ticks carry Lyme disease. See a staff member for help.
- **Wildlife** do not feed or encourage the wildlife. Do not keep food in your tent as it will attract skunks, wild pigs and raccoons, etc.,
- Smoking (including vaping), alcohol and recreational drugs <u>are not permitted on the land at</u> <u>any time</u>.
- **Candles, fires and incense** <u>are not permitted on the land at all.</u> We are at high fire risk year round.
- **Pets** <u>are not permitted at Pema Osel Ling</u>. If you have a service animal, please contact the office.

# Dharma Treasures gift shop

The store stocks practice items, sadhanas, photos, books, gifts, cards, thangkas and other art work, a selection of clothing, snacks, basic toiletries and items such as flashlights. Cash, checks and credit cards accepted.

Contact details: (831) 761-6274, store@vajrayana.org

# **Offerings**

It is traditional for individuals to make an offering to the teachers and translators at the end of retreats. Tibetan offering scarves (khatas) can be purchased at the Dharma Treasures store and we provide envelopes for monetary offerings. The bookstore is able to provide change using your debit card for a small service fee. We do not have an ATM on the land.

Email office@vajrayana.org with questions you may have prior to arrival.

Thank you and welcome! Dharma Programs Retreat Staff