

Along the Path of Wisdom

**2018 Bodhi Path Annual Gathering
June 29 to July 1, Natural Bridge, Virginia.**

Featuring:

**The Opening Ceremony for 14th Shamarpa's Reliquary Building
Teachings by Jigme Rinpoche on *A Path of Wisdom*
Refuge and Bodhisattva Vows given by Karma Trinlay Rinpoche**



The 2018 Annual Program also will include:

- ◆ Discussions and Q & A led by Bodhi Path teachers
- ◆ Bodhi Path admin and info sharing meetings
- ◆ Silent Auction in support of 14th Shamarpa's Reliquary Building
- ◆ Celebration dinner, sing-along and dance party

Join us on this singular occasion as Jigme Rinpoche, Karma Trinlay Rinpoche, Lama Jampa, and the Bodhi Path teachers celebrate the activity of the 14th Shamarpa by opening his Reliquary Stupa Building.

Continue the weekend with teaching, practice, and sharing the dharma with friends and fellow students. This is a rich environment in which to deepen your heartfelt connection to, and understanding of the Dharma. Come celebrate the Buddha's intent!

Date and Times: Friday and Saturday, June 29-30, 9:30 am to 6 pm (plus evening festivities). Sunday, July 1, 9 am to 12 noon.

**Annual Program teaching
by Jigme Rinpoche**

A Path of Wisdom

Based on his book, *A Path of Wisdom*, Jigme Rinpoche will illuminate key points of the Buddha's teaching. He will explain the importance of thoroughly integrating these principles into our daily lives and practice. Rinpoche is a master at communicating the profound view of the Buddhist path in a clear, precise, yet simple manner. He offers this practical approach to realization, to enable an individual to develop understanding and insight about the self and others in our complex world.

Join us to share in the wisdom of Jigme Rinpoche.

**The Annual Program is followed by a retreat
led by Dharma Teacher Tsony,
Tuesday, July 3 through Saturday, July 7.**

**Talks by Karma Trinlay Rinpoche on Mahamudra
the first two days of the retreat.**

The Supreme Siddhi of Mahamudra

Teachings, Poems and Songs from the Masters of the Kagyu Lineage

How do we approach the vast treasure trove of meditation instructions that are the legacy of the Kagyu tradition? With respect, humility and all our senses totally engaged in the realization of the true nature of our mind through study, reflection and meditation.

What are the necessary foundations? What are the preliminary steps? How can we move beyond the constant mental spiritual chatter to soar into the vast expanse of natural awareness?

Join us as we explore this cherished path to awakening.

Date and Times:

Tuesday through Saturday, July 3-7,
9 am to 5 pm.

General information for both programs:

Location:

All events for both programs take place at Bodhi Path Natural Bridge, located eight miles south of Lexington, Virginia, at the south end of the beautiful Shenandoah Valley. Address: 12 Bodhi Path, Natural Bridge, VA 24578.

Program fees:*

Three-day program: \$275

Includes teaching, celebration supper and daily lunches. (Housing additional.)

Practice retreat: \$300 for entire retreat, or \$70 per day. Lunch included. (Housing additional.)

Attending both programs: \$500

**Events at Bodhi Path are open to everyone.*

Lack of means to make a contribution is never a reason to stay away

Space is limited. **Advanced registration is important** and must be made, along with full payment, no later than June 8, 2018. **Please reserve early to help our planning.** We expect a full house and highly recommend you make your program and hotel reservations early. (See Cancellation Policy.)

Accommodations:

Please make your reservations directly with the establishment of choice.

For questions about on-site housing during the **retreat** portion of the program please inquire at: housingva@bodhipath.org.

Hotel/motels:

South River Highlands, 540-463-2593. Lovely rustic cabins, dorm spaces, and private rooms. 15 miles from center, car necessary. Please call for pricing. Mention Bodhi Path. innkeepers@southernriverhighlands.com

Budget Inn Natural Bridge, 540-291-2896. A modest motel 1+ mile from the center, for the “nothing fancy” crowd. Mention Bodhi Path.

Natural Bridge of Virginia Hotel, 800-533-1410. 5 miles from center.

For other accommodations 10+ miles from the center, please visit the Lexington Visitors Center’s website at www.lexingtonvirginia.com.

Camping:

Natural Bridge KOA. 540-291-2770. RV hook-ups, cabins, tents. 2 miles from the center.

Airports and ground transportation:

All airports require renting a car, limo service or ride sharing to get to the center. Ride sharing information will be sent out with confirmation of registration.

Roanoke, Virginia, about 45 miles away, is the closest airport. Car rental or limo service available. Limo Services: Roanoke Airport Transportation Service, 540-345-7710, and Prestige Limousine, Inc., 540-342-8049. Price depends on number of people traveling together. Call for pricing. Make arrangements early to insure availability.

Note: *Bodhi Path Natural Bridge will help with rides departing from Roanoke Airport on Thursday, June 28 at approximately 3pm and 9pm. The return shuttle on Sunday, July 1, will depart Bodhi Path 1:30pm (arriving 2:30pm at ROA). Reservations imperative. To reserve a seat on the shuttle, write to housingva@bodhipath.org and include plane itinerary.*

Lynchburg and Charlottesville, Virginia, are regional airports, each about one-and-a-half hours away. These airports often have less expensive flights. You will need a rental car.

Washington, DC airports, Dulles International or Reagan International, about 200 and 210 miles away, respectively. You will need a rental car if you fly into either of these airports.

Baltimore International Airport, about 240 miles away. You will need a rental car from this airport.

Reservation and payment deadline:

Advanced registration for both programs must be made, along with full payment, by **June 8, 2018**. You may register on line with a credit card or mail a check payable to Bodhi Path along with Registration Form (see following page) to:
Bodhi Path Buddhist Center, 12 Bodhi Path, Natural Bridge, VA 24578.

Cancellation policy:

On or before June 15, 2018 your total program fee, minus a \$40 per person registration fee, will be refunded upon cancellation. After June 15, 2018 no refunds will be made.

For further information:

Call: 540-464-5117, Email: naturalbridge@bodhipath.org, or visit our website:
www.bodhipath.org

Program registration:

Please print.

To register by mail, please fill out this registration form and mail along with check made payable to Bodhi Path Buddhist Center, 12 Bodhi Path, Natural Bridge, VA 24578. You may also register online and pay with a credit card by visiting the program page of our website:

<http://www.bodhipath.org/annualmtg2018/>.

Participant: Last Name First

Address: Number and Street

City State Postal Code Country

Email Address Telephone Number

Additional Participant's Name(s)

	Number attending	Fee
Attending Annual Program , June 29 to July 1: \$275 per person.	_____	_____
Attending Retreat , July 3-7: \$300 per person, or \$70 per day.	_____	_____
Attending both programs: \$500 per person.	_____	_____

Donation:
Optional donation to support the 14th Shamarpa's Reliquary building. _____

Total:
I have enclosed a check made payable to Bodhi Path for: _____

Please note:
Your registration will not be complete until we acknowledge receipt of your payment.
Thank you.