

Baker City Program



Venerable Karma Namgyel Rinpoche
July 6 to July 10, 2016

We are honored to have Ven. Karma Namgyel Rinpoche from Bhutan to offer rituals and ceremonies from the sacred traditions of the Drukpa Kagyu Tibetan Buddhist lineage. Rinpoche grew up in the Paro Monastery in Bhutan, became a dance master at a very young age, and studied for nine years to attain his Buddhist Philosophy degree. Karma Rinpoche is founder and spiritual director of Drukpa Mila Center, in Longmont, Colorado and Salem, Oregon. He also has centers in California and Canada.

Karma Namgyel Rinpoche of Bhutan invites everyone to interfaith & intercultural events and to experience blessings. Come to the Opening Tea Ceremony at Crossroads Carnegie Art Center on Tuesday, July 5th at 7 PM as the community welcomes Karma Rinpoche to Baker City.

During Rinpoche's five days in beautiful Baker City, he will share stories about his life as a monk in Bhutan and draw from his experience of coming to America. He will share his insights about love and compassion.

Rinpoche will bless the animals, perform Bhutan's Black Hat Dance; officiate a healing fire ceremony, perform a water blessing ceremony, and be available for Private Healing Consultations. After each event, Rinpoche will be available to answer your questions.

Your monetary donations are an expression of gratitude for the Rinpoche, his teachings and healings, and help to cover costs incurred to make these available to you. Although there are "suggested monetary offerings" associated with these events, all are welcome and no person will be turned away for financial reasons.

Please email this itinerary to friends and family who would be interested in Rinpoche's event schedule while in Oregon.

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Tuesday, July 5, 2016

Location

Opening Tea Ceremony

Crossroads Carnegie Art Center

2020 Auburn Avenue, Baker City, Oregon 97814

Time

7 PM

Offering

Free will offering at door

Information

541.523.5369

Website

www.crossroads-arts.org

Please welcome Karma Rinpoche at this special tea ceremony. Following the ceremony, Rinpoche will share inspiration about his vision for Baker City.

Wednesday, July 6, 2016

Location

Life in Bhutan ... A Meeting with the Elders

Crossroads Carnegie Art Center

2020 Auburn Avenue, Baker City, Oregon 97814

Time

10:30 to 11: 30 AM

Offering

Free will offering at door

Information

541.523.5369

Website

www.crossroads-arts.org

Crossroads has invited Karma Rinpoche to discuss his life as a Buddhist Monk. He will talk about his early life in Bhutan and the universal principles of loving kindness, compassion, and living in harmony. All are welcome.

Wednesday, July 6, 2016

Location

Oregon Trail Interpretive Center

Highway 86, Baker City, Oregon 97814

Time

2 PM

Information

509.707.3014 – Kathleen Kiefer

Website

www.blm.gov/or/oregontrail

Join Rinpoche in honoring the tens of thousands of pioneers who came to Oregon on the 2000 mile Oregon Trail. Karma Rinpoche will learn the history of the Oregon Trail and share some of his own experiences of coming to America from Bhutan. The visit will end with a Hike on the Oregon Trail, walking alongside ancestral footprints of the first pioneers to this area.

Wednesday, July 6, 2016

Location

Cultural Center: A Blueprint In Harmony With Nature

Crossroads Carnegie Art Center

2020 Auburn Avenue, Baker City, Oregon 97814

Time

7 PM

Offering \$10 donation
Information 541.523.5369 – Kathleen Kiefer
Website www.crossroads-arts.org

Drawing on his experiences at the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center Museum Karma Namgyel Rinpoche will draw on his own experiences about making a very long journey towards a desired destination. He will also talk about his plans for a cultural Center in Baker City.

Thursday, July 7, 2016 **Karma Rinpoche meet and greet Clergy**
Location Crossroads Carnegie Art Center
Time 10 AM – Aletha Bonebrake
Information 541.519.3255

Members of Baker city Faith Community will meet with Karma Namgyel Rinpoche.

Thursday, July 7, 2016 **Baker Heritage Museum**
Location 2480 Grove Street, Baker City, Oregon 97814
Time 1 PM (Chris Cantrell)
Information 541.523.2916 – Chris Cantrell
Website www.bakerheritagemuseum.com

Join Rinpoche as he takes another step towards a deeper understanding of the history of Baker City. He will tour the Baker Heritage Museum and learn more about the history of the city while sharing stories about his own home city in Paro, Bhutan.

Thursday, July 7, 2016 **Heart Sutra: “A Work In Harmony”**
Location Crossroads Carnegie Art Center
2020 Auburn Avenue, Baker City, Oregon 97814
Time 7 PM
Offering \$10 donation
Information 541.523.5369
Website www.crossroads-arts.org

Karma Rinpoche will talk about the importance of the inter-faith community, relating it to a “Highway to Heaven” model of faith groups working together in harmony.

Friday, July 8, 2016 **Chinese Cemetary Visit**
Location 2350 Windmill Road, Baker City, Oregon 97814
Time 10 AM
Information 509.707.3014 – Kathleen Kiefer

Karma Rinpoche will honor the contributions of Chinese people to the prosperity and progress of Baker City and bless the site of the Chinese cemetery.

Friday, July 8, 2016

Time
 Location
 Cost
 Information

Private Appointments

2 PM to 4 PM
 To be announced
 \$50
 503.997.0263 – Donna Selby

A healing consultation and treatment with Rinpoche may be scheduled to seek guidance with personal, physical or spiritual challenges, to discuss your meditation practice or receive a blessing.

Friday, July 8, 2016

Location
 Time
 Information
 Offering
 Website

Chokhor Düchen Day & Karma Rinpoche Birthday

Crossroads Carnegie Art Center
 2020 Auburn Avenue, Baker City, Oregon 97814
 7 PM
 541.523.5369
 \$20 (Gifted to Rinpoche for officiating)
www.crossroads-arts.org

Come and celebrate with Karma Rinpoche, the Holy Day of Chökhör Düchen, the day Buddha first turned the Wheel of Dharma in Sarnath, India. For seven weeks after Buddha's enlightenment he did not teach. Encouraged by Indra and Brahma, he turned the Wheel of Dharma for the first time, at Sarnath, teaching the Four Noble Truths. On this day the effects of positive or negative actions are multiplied ten million times.

Today is Karma Rinpoche's birthday. We invite you to celebrate with a candle offering and a sweet treat. We offer healing prayers for World Peace and all sentient beings.

Saturday, July 9, 2016

Location
 Time
 Information

Temple Site: Bhutan Cultural Ctr. Ceremony

Corner of Colorado Street & Foothill Drive
 (Park on Foothill Drive)
 10 AM to 12 Noon
 503.997.0263 (Donna Selby)

Join Rinpoche as he performs a blessing ceremony at the future site of the Bhutanese Cultural Center in Baker City.

Saturday, July 9, 2016

Location
 Time
 Offering
 Information

Blessing of Animals

Geiser Pollman Park – Powder River Pavillion
 Madison Street, Baker City, Oregon 97814
 2-4 PM
 Free
 503.997.0263 – Donna Selby

Karma Namgyel Rinpoche will perform blessings for the general health and wellbeing of all animals. Animals that are present will receive individual blessings. Please bring your dog on a leash; other pets should be in secure pet carriers. Thank you. This event is free.

Saturday, July 9, 2016

Black Hat Lama Dance

Location

Crossroads Carnegie Art Center
2020 Auburn Avenue, Baker City, Oregon 97814

Time

7 PM

Cost

\$10 donation

Information

541.523.5369

Website

www.crossroads-arts.org

Dance and music play a very important role in Bhutan's culture. In each community and village, you will find a tradition of dance hallmarking the passing of seasons and communal occasions. *Chhams* (mask dances) are performed during *Tshechus* i.e. spiritual festivals.

The Black Hat Dance costume consists of a large black hat, felt boots and colorful brocade gown. Karma Namgyel Rinpoche performs mudras in the form of sacred hand gestures while the pattern of his feet create a mandala which protects the earth and all living things as he dances to the step of the thunderbolt. This dance is done as a ground purification ceremony during construction of monasteries, temples, and stupas.

Sunday, July 10, 2016

Chenrezig 'Buddha of Compassion' Fire Ceremony

Location

Crossroads Carnegie Art Center (Crossroads/Fire Station)

2020 Auburn Avenue, Baker City, Oregon 97814

Time

5 PM

Cost

\$10 donation

Information

541.523.5369

Website

www.crossroads-arts.org

Karma Rinpoche will conduct a Chenrezig 'Buddha of Compassion' Fire Ceremony. The ceremony is dedicated to world peace and to the spiritual benefit of all beings. If you have lost a loved one, please write their name on a piece of paper and bring it with you. Express any difficulties you are experiencing in your life on a piece of paper and they will be offered to the fire with special prayers recited by Rinpoche. The fire ceremony is outdoors, so please dress for the weather.

