



His Holiness Ngawang Tenzin's  
*"Tour of Joy"*  
and the  
Empowerments of the  
84 Mahasiddhas



This year, Ven. Lama Karma and the Drukpa Mila Center are pleased to announce the coming of our sponsor His Holiness Ngawang Tenzin from Bhutan to the United States for the 2011 *"Tour of Joy,"* his third and final tour of America. This tour is the culmination of years of concentrated preparation, and heralds the fruition of long labors to generate the merit necessary for us to provide the opportunity for all to receive from H.H., here in the U.S., the Empowerments of the 84 Mahasiddhas—the Tantric Masters of India.

This opportunity is indeed unprecedented. Never before has a complete cycle of empowerments of this magnitude been offered to the public by a Teacher of such accomplishment. The provenance of this longed-for event goes back to H.H.'s first U.S. tour in 2004 when he declared that Americans are a Tantric people. Then, at the culmination of his second tour in 2007, after a 5-day Mani mantra "marathon" in Boulder, Ven. Lama Karma and members of the Drukpa Mila Center requested the Empowerments of the 84 Mahasiddhas.

To open the way for the possibility of such an unprecedented blessing, Lama Karma was subsequently required to return to Bhutan for an extended retreat and specialized transmissions from H.H. After Lama Karma fulfilled these requirements, the Drukpa Mila Center again extended a request for the entire cycle of empowerments here in America. His Holiness then agreed. However, after planning for the tour in 2010, it became clear we had not yet generated adequate merit. To remedy this deficit, we of the Drukpa Mila Center strove for greater accomplishment in our practices through Lama Karma's guidance.

Now, we anticipate, with hopeful assurance that—through the blessings of the Buddha, Dharma, and Sangha, as well as that of the Three Roots of Guru, Yidam, and Dakini, and the Natural Mind—His Holiness Ngawang Tenzin will transmit the Empowerments of the 84 Mahasiddhas in Denver, at **Geotech Environmental Equipment, Inc. (2650 E. 40th Ave., Denver, CO 80205), from September 10 to September 25.** This event will entail two weeks of empowerments transmitting each of the 84 Mahasiddhas in sequence.

The coming of the Mahasiddhas in this way, through the blessing of H.H. Ngawang Tenzin, Dorje Lupon (Vajra Master) of the Drukpa Kagyu of Bhutan, heralds a profound transformation in the United States. This is our aspiration. The Mahasiddhas—the renowned Indian Masters of Tantric Buddhist practice and Mahamudra—are the living font of all lineages of Tibetan and Bhutanese Buddhism. Beyond the self-apparent relevance of this transmission for all Vajrayana schools, and, indeed, for all Buddhist lineages, the coming of the 84 Mahasiddhas at this time signifies a certain Tantric seal—that is, a Tantric deepening and embedding in the tradition—within this country.

Our intention, then, in the spirit of Ri-me, which looks to the coming together of lineages while honoring their differences, is to make this special opportunity for a transformative connection to common tradition as affordable and accessible as possible to all. Hence, to accommodate work/school schedules, all Monday through Friday empowerments will take place after 6:30pm, and will cost only \$35 for each session attended. Saturdays and Sundays will be full day affairs, and so will cost \$70 for each full day attended. Those hoping to attend the entire cycle of empowerments can make arrangements with the Drukpa Mila Center before the cycle begins for a discounted rate of \$495. *Further, for students and others experiencing financial difficulties, special arrangements can be made beforehand by contacting us directly.* Please consult our website at [www.drukpamilacenter.com](http://www.drukpamilacenter.com) for all details concerning specific days and times, or call Lama Karma at 303-956-9534 or Mark Peckler at 303-449-3332 to make arrangements or answer any questions.

This opportunity for connection to the Mahasiddhas is, of course, extended to everyone—regardless of affiliation or background. There are no prerequisites or requirements, other than a good and open heart. We especially encourage all those in the healing professions to attend, as the transmission of the Mahasiddhas is known to awaken deep resources of compassion and wisdom in our work with those in need. Also, be aware that this complete cycle will take place only once, and that is here in Denver. Please do not let this opportunity pass by. Come, even if for just one day or one evening's event.

Finally, having committed ourselves to making this available and affordable to all, we are also hopeful that some among you will step forward as financial sponsors for His Holiness' care while he is here for his final tour. As you know, to help support a Master of H.H.'s stature, done with the proper motivation, can generate immeasurable merit for sponsors and those connected to them. So, if you are able, and feel moved to do so, please contact us directly at the numbers provided above. Also, for information concerning His Holiness' other "Tour of Joy" events in the United States, please visit our website. We all hope to see you here in Denver, and may the blessings of the Three Jewels, the Three Roots, and the Natural Mind be with you.

- Ven. Lama Karma and the Drukpa Mila Center members