

Shechen Program of Events, Winter/Spring 2014

Date	Time	Program
31st Jan. to 9th Feb.	daily	Nyingma Monlam (in Bodhgaya, India).
17th February	all day	Ceremonies for anniversary of Kunkhyen Longchen Rabjam
	6.00 pm	Dialectics debate by the Shedra Students
20th February	8.00 am	Blessing of the Ground for Yamantaka Gutor ceremonies
21st February	6.00 pm	Blessing of the Torma
22-26th Feb	6.00 am	Yamantaka Gutor, "torma throwing rites" to avert negativity of the new year.
27th Feb	4.00 am	Prayers
	10.00 am	Cham, sacred lama dances related to the Yamantaka ritual
28th Feb	3.00 am	Prayers
	1.00 pm	Conclusion of the ceremony with the burning of the Torma
1st March 2014	4.00 am	Offering tormas to dharmapalas and offering thanks.
2nd March	4.00 am	Losar Tibetan New Year ceremony
	4.00 am	Vajrasattva Drupchen begins (Minling Dorsem)
9th March	8.00 am	Blessing of the Ground and Tagön (Introductory ritual) for the Vajrasattva Drupchen (Minling Dorsem)
10th March	3.00 pm	Introductory ritual for Building of the Mandala for the Minling Dorsem Drupchen
11-17 March	all day	Main part of the Minling Dorsem Drupchen for seven days Chotrul Duchon
18th March	3.30 am	Receiving Blessing from the Mandala of Minling Dorsem Drupchen
21st March	8. 00 am	Tsokchen Duepa & other Four Ka'ma Drupchens. Blessing of the Ground and Tagon.
22nd March	9.00 am	Ka'ma Tsal Cham (Lama Dance associated with Ka'ma Teachings) Anniversary of Jamyang Khyentse Wangpo
24th March	1.00 pm	(Gyenkod) Closing the Mandala For the Five Ka'ma Drupchens
25th to 30th March	all day	Main part of the Tshokchen Duepa & Four other Ka'ma Drupchens for Seven Days
30th March		Puja and Garcham (Dance)
31st March		Fire Puja & Anniversary of Penor Rinpoche
1st April	3.00 am	Receiving Blessing from the Mandala of Tshokchen Duepa & Four other Drupchens Anniversary of Terdak Lingpa
7th April	6.00 am	Ceremony of Lama Sang-dues Drupcho for Three Days
8th April	4.00 am	Prayers
	11.00 am	Rehearsal of the Tse-chu Dance Festival in the Courtyard
9th April	3.00 am	Prayers
	9.00 am	Great Tse- Chu Festival of Sacred Dance (Guru Rinpoche Cham)
13th April		Monastery announcement of exam results and leyjey (exchange)
15th April to 6th June		Monastery Vacation