



## **Greetings, Wat San Fran Members!**

It's been a busy year so far, and summer is here. Let's catch you up with what we've been working on and what we have planned for the future.

## San Fran Dhammaram Temple's Fundraisers

## Join Mae Yo's Aug 26 Birthday Fundraiser to benefit a cause of her choosing

#### Aug 26 Birthday Fundraiser

Mae Chee Yo is a principal founder and lead teacher at San Fran Dhammaram Temple and one of Venerable Acariya Thoon Khippapañño's foremost students. Every year, we hold a birthday fundraiser benefiting a cause of her choosing.

To donate:

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#### **Animation Project**

One of our most popular YouTube series is "Animated Buddhist Stories." We publish new videos every Friday at 3 p.m. Pacific Time on the Watsanfran YouTube channel. This series provides artistic depictions of stories from jatakas and the Dhammapada. The artwork and animation are skillfully crafted by our own team and published with both English and Thai narration and subtitles in multiple languages. Our channel currently boasts 5.4 million views and nearly 30,000 subscribers.

Be a part of this impactful dissemination of Buddhist teachings by joining numerous donors worldwide in sponsoring the costs of producing these videos. A \$50 donation covers the approximate cost of 15 seconds of video.

#### To donate:

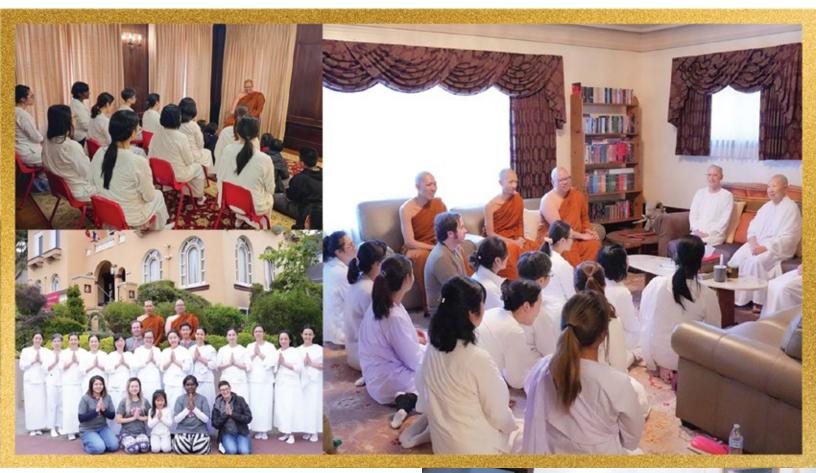
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## **Recent Activities**



#### Wat San Fran's 2024 Annual Retreat

The Wat San Fran annual retreat just completed!

We would like to express our gratitude to everyone who participated in this year's 2024 retreat. We hope that you will carry the Dhamma with you, recognize impermanence, change wrong views to right views, practice the right views to illuminate your path, and achieve your aspirations.

Anumodana with all of you.



## **Recent Activities**





#### Asalha Puja & Start of the Vassa

Last Sunday we celebrated Asalha Puja and the start of the Vassa. It was so nice to see all of you at the temple! During the day, we had alms rounds, a large food offering, a Sangha-dana offering, chanting, a candle procession, and a Vassa candle ceremony. There was an abundance of delicious food, smiles, and positive energy.

Anumodana with you all once again.

## **Recent Activities**



## **Upcoming Events**



Join us for Eight Precept observance Aug 16–18, Sep 13–15, Oct 18–20

#### **Eight Precept Observance**

You will formally receive the Eight Precepts when you arrive. You will participate in daily chantings, lunch offerings, hear sermons, and read Dhamma books. If you have any questions, the monks and nuns are happy to guide you in your search for answers. Participants are allowed to spend the night at the temple (men) or Akaliko (women).

Reserve your spot now by contacting us at watsanfran@yahoo.com or (415) 753-0857.



#### Schedule

10:30 a.m.	Alms round
11:00 a.m.	Lunch offering
11:15 a.m.	Sermon by
	Phra Kru Palat
	Anandapanyo
12:00 p.m.	Sangha-dana
	offering

#### **End of the Vassa**

Please join us in celebrating the end of the 2024 Vassa (rains retreat) on Thursday, October 17 at San Fran Dhammaram Temple. There will be an End of the Vassa alms round, "Tak Bat Devo", in front of the temple at 10:30 a.m. which commemorates the day in which the Buddha returned to Earth after blessing his mother and other devas in the Tavatimsa heaven during his seventh Vassa.

For those who are not able to join on Thursday, we will also have an alms rounds in front of the temple at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, October 20.

## **Upcoming Events**



#### Kathina

Please join us in sponsoring and attending San Fran Dhammaram Temple's 2024 Kathina fundraiser event at the Hall of Flowers (9th Ave & Lincoln Way) in Golden Gate Park.

The funds raised by this year's Kathina will go towards paying the remaining mortgage of \$1,684,171.08 on Akaliko (our women's practice center), the cost of operating the temple, travel expenses for monks, covering the cost of health insurance, YouTube projects such as Animated Buddhist Stories, and the operating costs of the Wat San Fran School.

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#### Sunday, October 27, 2024

10:00 a.m.	Alms round
10:30 a.m.	Food offering
12:00 p.m.	Sangha-dana
	offering
12:30 p.m.	Kathina ceremony
2:30 p.m.	Performance by Wat San Fran School students

#### **Sponsorship levels:**

\$1,000 principal sponsor \$100 group sponsor

#### Wat San Fran School



JOIN US FOR WAT SAN FRAN SCHOOL

- Graduation ceremony
- · Thai music performance
- Thai dance performance
- "Kalayakkhini" stage play
- "Angulimala" stage play
- · Thai mother's day ceremony

## GRADUATION CEREMONY

Sat Aug 10 at 1.00 p.m. Hall of Flowers (9th Ave & Lincoln Way) Golden Gate Park

Fall '24

enrollment period is

For the application form, contact us at

watsanfranschool@gmail.com

\*Placement test required for new applicants.

July 22–Aug 20, 2024

Fall enrollment begins July 22 and ends August 20. Fall '24 classes will begin on September 8, 2024, and end on December 22, 2024. Students will study Thai language, music, and culture.

Classes are open to children aged 5 years and older. New students are required to take a placement test. For further details, please email watsanfranschool@gmail.com.



# Save the Date

- Aug 10 Wat San Fran School Graduation day
- Aug 26 Mae Yo's Birthday Fundraiser
- Sep 8 Wat San Fran School Fall Semester
- Oct 17 End of Vassa Day
- Oct 27 Kathina

\*Eight Precept observance Aug 16–18, Sep 13–15, Oct 18–20, Nov 8–10, Dec 27 – Jan 1

"People inherently possess wisdom, but it is customarily applied in worldly affairs. By simply rotating the angle in which you view an issue, you can harness this wisdom in terms of Dhamma."

*Treasure Trove* Venerable Ācariya Thoon Khippapañño

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