

Think BIG and Act MEEK

(with Lungta)

Come to the Kalapa Conference to Explore The Dorje Dradul's Instructions on How We can Help the World NOW

"You have been given enough wealth, both spiritual and temporal wisdom, and it is up to you to use it properly. Warriors in the past have gone through similar experiences. They studied a lot and they learned a lot, but once in a while they were alone in the field without any reference point. Then they had to remember the teachings and experiences they had during their training. We all have to do that... It is also our duty, all of us, to work for the benefit of others and to overcome the pain and misery of the setting-sun world." (DDM, CKA 1981 Farewell Address pp 406)

The Kalapa Conference will provide a container in which to gather as a Kalapa Lodge sangha. Together we will open the mandala of the Dorje Dradul's Kalapa Lodge teachings, that is, the commitment to creating an awake society here and now. Together, we can learn, meditate, and contemplate how these teachings offer an alternative vision and path to the setting sun darkness of our age. In addition, we would like to provide a space where we can slowly reweave the Mukpo clan tartan by listening to and acknowledging each other's paths.

Nowness

- Mandala opening - Lhasang, Raising our Flags and Kyudo offering
- An authorized preceptor will review the Kalapa Lodge transmission
- Practice Werma, stroke and Lungta every day to strengthen our relationship to the Three Courts and supplicate for blessings and guidance

The Past

- Mr. John Leon will present the *History of the Shambhala Community in Nova Scotia up to the Mid-2000s*
- Tribute to the very early Shambhalian settlers in the region, as well as to the courageous Maritimers who joined us

Reweaving the Nova Scotia-Mukpo Tartan

- Ms. Mary and Mr. Peter Goodman ~ *Living in Rural Nova Scotia, Stories of Connection*
- Mr. Robert Cervelli ~ *Building Local Resilience*
- Dr. Trudy Sable ~ *Our Mi'kmaq Hosts*

Connecting with our USA Allies

- Ms. Rachel Faro ~ *The Buddhist Coalition for Democracy*
- Dr. Jean Robbins ~ *Mahasangha Network as Local Advocacy*

Practicalities

- Dr. Janet Bronstein & Mr. Peter Nowak ~ *Tools for Developing Enlightened Society*
- Sangyum Agness Au and Mr. Daniel Naistadt ~ *Dralas and Nova Scotia*
- Ms. Irene Woodard ~ *Touching the Earth*

Comprehensive review of what we have been taught

- Dr. Julia Sagebien ~ *The Development of VCTR's Political Consciousness* from his early writings in Tibet (Golden Dot) to the arrival of the termas, and the Kalapa Assemblies.
- Lennart Krogoll, Rupon ~ The elemental wisdom of the Dorje Kasung transmissions; *How to Be, How to Connect, How to Extend and join Heaven and Earth on the Spot*

Synchronizing Body and Mind

- Ms. Tara Templin ~ Current Shambhala Governance
- Reception for Shambhala Global executives and Board of Directors
- Enjoying the Arts ~ performances
- Post-conference field trip to Rigden Rock

The Future

- Open discussions...
 - What have we learned?
 - What to accept and what to reject?
 - What's next?
- Dapon Martin Janowitz ~ *Warriorship amid Unrelenting Assaults on Our Humanity*

**In such global confusion, who better than the DDM to point the way forward?
The Path is the Goal. Let's walk together.**

Attend all, or a portion, of the [Kalapa Conference](#), online or in person.
Dorje Denma Ling, October 17-25, 2025.