

# 4th INTERNATIONAL BHIKKHUNI DAY AND ANAGARIKA PRECEPT CEREMONY

AT DHAMMADHARINI VIHARA ~ SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 7, 2014



PLEASE JOIN US FOR THIS AUSPICIOUS OCCASION

**This full moon is a very special one in Buddhism; the (approximately) 2,598th lunar anniversary of the foundation of our Bhikkhuni Sangha and establishment of the Buddha's Fourfold Assembly. Join us in celebrating our female spiritual legacy and the re-emergence of fully ordained Buddhist women in the Theravada tradition. On this day we honor ordained women and inspiring historical figures. This is a time to acknowledge and learn from these women, whose wisdom from the earliest days of the Buddha to the present have brought a greater truth and a deeper understanding of life from the perspective of spiritual awakening.**

**Traditionally on International Bhikkhuni Day, we select one woman who exemplifies this noble accomplishment. This year we pay respect especially to Yasodhara, wife of Siddhartha Gautama, one of the Buddha's 13 great Bhikkhuni disciples, and a fully enlightened Arahant.**

**On this day, our beloved steward, Michelle Raymond will receive Anagarika Precepts, marking her formal entry into the path of monastic training.**

**We look forward to your participation in this time of spiritual celebration, meditation, and reflection.**



## SCHEDULE

9:30 | Arrivals

10:00 | Dhamma Reflections

11:15 | Meal Offering (Please bring a dish to share)

12:30 | Stories of Yasodhara - (& Anagarika Head Shaving)

2:00 | Anagarika Precept Ceremony for Michelle Raymond

2:30 | Dhamma Reflection by Ayya Tathaaloka.

3:30 | Blessing & Closure, informal time to greetings and offering gifts.



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