

## **Ringu Tulku Rinpoche Teaching Engagement Information, 2025**

Bodhicharya North America is pleased to support the teachings and activities of Ringu Tulku Rinpoche during his 2025 visit to North America. The information below will assist in planning his visit, especially as related to hosting, travel expenses, a teacher gift or honorarium, and copyright of teachings.

### **Hosting and Daily Schedule – UPDATED!**

Rinpoche travels and teaches with an extraordinarily busy schedule and late last year he had dengue fever. This, combined with ageing, has resulted in Rinpoche fatiguing more quickly after travel and teaching. We therefore need to be careful not to ask too much of him and to allow him extra rest periods.

Please note that Rinpoche's teaching sessions are a maximum of one and a half hours per session and Rinpoche prefers to give one session per weekday and will give two sessions on weekend days. Rinpoche likes to have two hours nap after lunch. He prefers to eat quietly in the center (and not with large groups).

Rinpoche sometimes has back-ache and is much better sitting on a comfy chair rather than a throne where possible. When driving Rinpoche prefers a large car with plenty of headspace when entering, because he cannot bend very well anymore.

Rinpoche has no special dietary needs that we are aware of at this time. He may enjoy a massage or a visit to spa, hot springs or pool, as well as short walks each day if possible; please check with him about specific needs.

### **Per Diem Travel Expense Contribution**

We ask centers to contribute a per diem expense to defray Rinpoche's total air travel cost. The per diem expense is based on the number of days that Rinpoche spends at a center, as well as partial days of travel to and from the center, with some adjustment for number and length of teachings. Other expenses related to his visit (local transportation, housing, meals, etc.) are borne by the individual centers.

The total travel expense has not yet been determined.

### **Teacher Gifts and Honorarium**

Bodhicharya suggests that centers contribute US \$500 or more per talk. These funds directly support Rinpoche's diverse activities worldwide. The contribution is usually in addition to gifts from individual participants. It is important that if you have any questions about honoraria, that you let us know as soon as possible. Rinpoche should never be placed in the position of discussing his own honorarium.

We ask that centers let us know the total amount of the teacher gifts whenever possible.

## Copyright and Use Agreement

We ask that centers complete a copyright and use agreement that spells out the conditions for acquisition and use of audio and visual materials (photos and recordings). [Read the agreement here](#), and sign electronically here:

<https://www.jotform.com/sign/232376661829062/invite/01h8sqdk1xe2ed94ae8dd26a49>

## Recordings

Recordings can be uploaded directly to the Bodhicharya Archive at:

<https://bodhicharya.org/teachings/archivist-area/guidelines-for-recording>

Alternatively, you can send recordings directly or via the cloud to [info@bodhicharyana.org](mailto:info@bodhicharyana.org).

In general, and unless Rinpoche suggests otherwise, hosting organizations may post recordings on their websites for use by their communities.

## Payments

Contributions can be made by cash or check payable to “Bodhicharya”, with the memo “Teacher Gift” or “Travel Reimbursement”; these can be given directly to Rinpoche if this is convenient, or sent to Bodhicharya, c/o Smadbeck, 2885 Grand Lake Drive, Lafayette, CO 80026.

Online payments by credit card or Paypal can be made at:  
<https://www.bodhicharyana.org/product/make-a-payment/>

## Contact

Please contact us with any other questions or concerns, at [info@bodhicharyana.org](mailto:info@bodhicharyana.org).

On behalf of the Board of Directors and volunteers of Bodhicharya North America, we extend our deepest gratitude for hosting Rinpoche.

PS. Bodhicharya North America is Rinpoche’s regional organization, a 501(c) nonprofit organization registered in Colorado, USA (<https://bodhicharyana.org>), not to be confused with his global organization, Bodhicharya, registered in Belgium (<https://bodhicharya.org>).