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'24 giving season

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2024 SUMMARY



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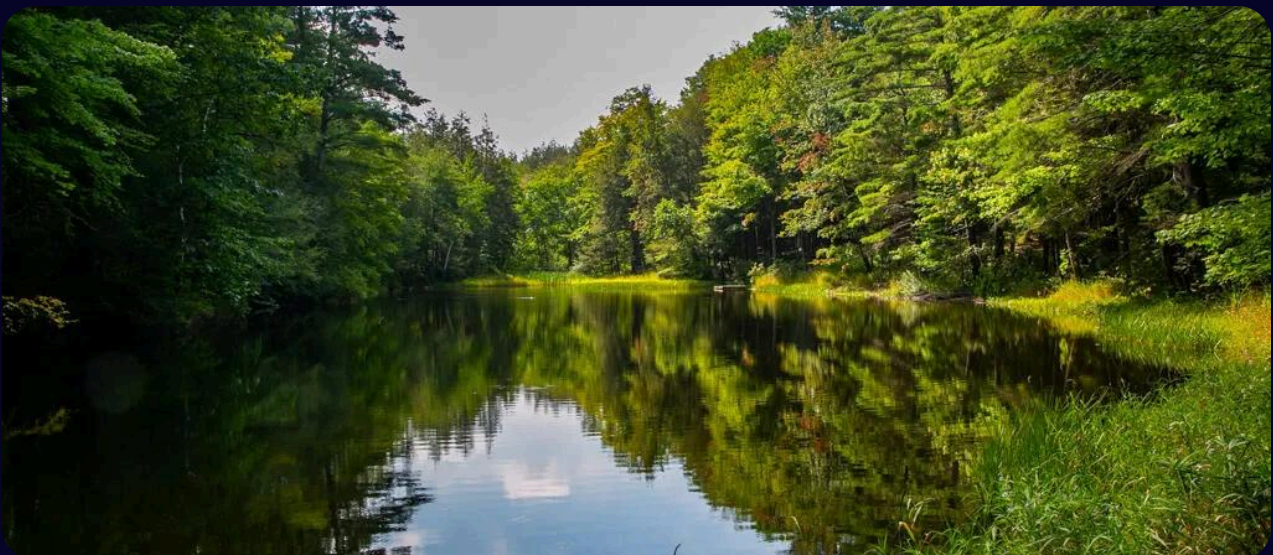
2024 SUMMARY

As we are entering into the giving season and the end of the tax year, we want to share some updates with you around the work we have done in 2024 as well as clarify our projected goals for 2025 as a support to our year-end fundraising activities.

Through 2024 we have exceeded many milestones as an organization accomplishing our projected goals from 2023 and more. With the most significant being the purchase of our retreat center in Buckland, Massachusetts. With the insurmountable support we have received thus far we feel it is important to name all that we have accomplished with your help.

FINDING OUR HOME

In April of 2024 we were able to successfully purchase a 66 acre property for the Yangti Yoga Retreat Center situated in Buckland, Massachusetts. This property is a quiet wooded retreat place which in the past had served as a retreat property for followers of Namkai Norbu and happens to be next to the property where Namakai Norbu Rinpoche revealed a terma. The property has several outbuildings and two very nicely sized cabins that will be converted into dark retreat cabins. The land feels very powerful and sacred and is home to bears, deer, porcupines, owls, hawks and many other animals. We have been slowly getting to know the property before making any big decisions on clearing any trees and are close to developing a masterplan for the further development of the property into the full retreat center that we envision.



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YANGTI NAKPO COLLABORATION WITH CHUNG RINPOCHE

This year marks the beginning of what looks to be a very promising relationship with Chung Rinpoche, a Bhutanese lineage holder of the Yangti Nakpo - a terma cycle focusing on Yangti practice (dark retreat practice) revealed by Dungtso Repa in the 15th century. At the end of the year Lama Justin, his family and great group of people will be going on a pilgrimage to Bhutan with Chung Tulku Rinpoche.

DECK DEMOLITION

Over the summer an incredible group of volunteers came to help with the demolition of the deck on the main cabin on the retreat property. Their energy and enthusiastic support was an invaluable contribution! Thank you so very much! The deck has since been re-finished by a local contractor/dharma practitioner.

YANGTI TRUCK

We successfully purchased a truck for Yangti which has been a great aide in hauling materials and will undoubtedly help us in the renovation, building and landscaping work that we have planned for 2025.

YANGTI + THE RUBIN, TRICYCLE, LIONS ROAR

This year has been yet another one of meaningful collaboration with the Rubin Museum, Tricycle Magazine and Lion's Roar. In 2024 we finished our very popular Dark Retreat Workshop series at the Rubin's physical location which has since closed. We are very happy that our relationship with Tricycle and Lion's Roar led to some very meaningful collaborations which also look promising as we move into 2025.

LOVE + LIBERATION PODCAST

Lama Justin returned to Olivia Clementine's podcast, Love and Liberation, in which they continued the conversation on Dark Retreat and Ati Yoga continued, this time on the Yangti retreat land.

PURE LAND FARMS TUSCANY

Lama Justin held a 9-day trekchö in retreat focused on Yuthok's Ati Yoga in at Pure Land Farms Tuscany in September.



2025 PLANS

ONLINE PRACTICE CONTAINERS

In 2024 we launched the two-year Vajrayana Spiritual Formation Class and the year-long Ati Yoga class focusing on the 3rd Karmapa, Rangjung Dorje's, Ati Yoga text known as the Marvelous Guide which comes from the Karma Nyingthik. These classes have been successful and in 2025 we will offer the Marvelous Guide again as well as a year-long program on the Ati Yoga cycle coming from the Könchok Chidü terma cycle. Mid-way into 2025 we also hope to offer a program focusing on Taranatha's Wish-fulfilling Cow, an important text on Vajrayogini related practices.

CPE PROGRAM

We have begun to lay the groundwork for a low-residency certified vajrayana-oriented CPE (Clinical Pastoral Education) program. This is an incredible opportunity to impact the world of chaplaincy - especially Buddhist chaplaincy by increasing options for people interested in pursuing chaplaincy who have a background in vajrayana Buddhist practice. We hope to have this program in-place and ready for our first cohort in January of 2026. There are very few, stand alone certified chaplaincy programs like this in the United States. In 2025 we will be completing the work of designing the program, including the work of working with the Association of Professional Chaplains to meet all certification requirements and are grateful for any support earmarked for this important project.

THE STUPA PROJECT

In 2025 we are seeking to begin the work of building a stupa on the Yangti retreat land. Projects like this take time to gather the necessary relics. Lama Justin hopes to return from Bhutan with some relics for this project including some of the hair of Jetsun Shukseb Rigdzin Choying Zangmo who was regarded as an emanation of Machig Labdron. She was an important practitioner of Yangti practice - spending as much of 6 months a year in yangti practice. She was also the teacher of Dr. Nida's teacher Ani Gyaltzen and Lama Justin's teacher Pathing Rinpoche.



2025 PLANS

CABIN DEVELOPMENT

In 2025 we will have the septic system upgraded to include the two large dark retreat cabins and an additional septic system installed allowing for the construction of an additional three dark retreat cabins as well as a bathroom/shower facility for an additional 3 to 4 cabins for general use. The plans have been submitted to the local authorities and are currently being reviewed.

MEDITATION HALL

This coming year we will be converting the two-story, 2 car garage into a meditation hall and protector shrine. The plans have been drafted and are ready for submission to the local building department. A 3-foot statue of Yuthok Yonten Gonpo is currently in production in Nepal for the meditation hall.



OUR GOAL

\$50,000

Through our giving season fundraising campaign we seek to raise \$50,000 in donations to allocate directly towards the above stated goals for 2025 and we prioritize full transparency in this project. It is only through the network of our community that we have arrived to where we are and only with these continued efforts may we accomplish our intentions. In addition we are happy to offer the following donor gifts as an extension of our gratitude for your involvement.

DONOR TIERS + GIFTS



TIER 1 | \$120

Receive access to an exclusive weekend teaching on Khenpo Gangshar's *Naturally Liberating Whatever You Meet* with Lama Justin



TIER 2 | \$500

Receive previous gift + A Dorje Gotrab Mantra protection amulet



TIER 3 | \$1500

Receive previous gifts + Enrollment in one Ati Yoga 2025 year long course of your choosing



TIER 4 | \$5000

Receive previous gifts + enrollment in both of our 2025 year long courses, *The Marvelous Guide to Actual Practice & Complete Liberation of the Three Realms*



2025 FUNDRAISING

As an organization one of our core values is community nourishment and support. All the work that we do is in favor of the nurturing of a supportive and well-rounded container for dedicated practitioners from many paths and backgrounds to have equitable access to the teachings and practice of Yangti. Our center could not have come to fruition without the care and support of us all especially in these early years.

We prioritize transparency and mutual support in all our fundraising efforts, and of course due to our status as a religious non-profit 501(c)(3) organization all your generous offerings are fully tax deductible.

We accept a diverse range of donations through our partnership with the Giving Block which allows us to accept anything from liquid assets to stock, to crypto currency like bitcoin. Please contact us directly if you wish to make donations to our further development in another form.

We are also able to accept charitable contributions via our bank account and [Venmo](#) and [PayPal](#). We are happy to provide documentation of your support for tax purposes. If you prefer to send a check, please make the check out to Yangti Yoga Retreat Center and mail it to:

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