

About the Monks' Residency in Milwaukee

The week prior to their concert for Early Music Now, the monks of the Drepung Loseling Monastery will create an intricate sand mandala at Milwaukee's City Hall (200 E Wells St). To learn more about sand mandalas, see their website:

<https://www.mysticalartsoftibet.org/mandala-sand-painting>

The schedule for the week's events is:

Tuesday, April 9

10:00 a.m. – opening ceremony for the sand mandala project

11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. – work on the mandala

Wednesday, April 10 and Thursday, April 11

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. – work on the mandala

Friday, April 12

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. – work on the mandala

5:00 p.m. – closing ceremony and the destruction of the mandala, after which the monks will put half of the sand in small vials to be given to everyone attending the closing ceremony, and the other half of the mandala will be scattered in the Milwaukee River, to promote world healing.

Saturday, April 13

3:30 p.m. – pre-concert reception at Tripoli Shrine Center (3000 W Wisconsin Ave)

5:00 p.m. – performance of “Sacred Music, Sacred Dance”

The monks will be selling various items at City Hall during the creation of the mandala, and during the reception and intermission at the concert, in support of their mission.



Monks creating a sand mandala