



Presents

## The Mystical Arts of Tibet

April 13, 2019 (Saturday) at 5:00 pm  
Tripoli Shrine Center ♦ Milwaukee, Wisconsin

### Sacred Music Sacred Dance for World Healing

**Nyensen:** Invocation of the Forces of Goodness

The monks invoke creative awareness within themselves and the audience. They enhance a positive environment as a prelude to the performance of Sacred Music Sacred Dance.

**Tentru Yultra:** Purifying the Environment and its Inhabitants

Chanting in multiphonic tradition, the monks hold up a mirror and draw into it the reflection of the world and its living beings. They then purify these through sound and meditation, as symbolized by the act of pouring water from a sacred vase over the mirror.

**Shanak Garcham:** Dance of the Black Hat Masters

This ancient dance for the elimination of negative energies is in the style known as *drakpo*, or “wrathful.” The implements held by the dancers symbolize the transcendence of false ego-identification. The movements symbolize the joy and freedom of seeing reality in its truth.

**Taksal:** Intense Encounters of the Third Degree

A demonstration of the tradition of Tibetan monastic inquiry. Two monks engage one another in a process leading to the deeper levels of spiritual experience, enhancing the mind of enlightenment.

**Senggey Garcham:** The Snow Lion Dance

The Tibet snow lion symbolizes the fearless and elegant quality of the enlightened mind. Sacred activities are believed to create a healthy and harmonious environment where all beings, including animals, rejoice.

#### Intermission

**Durdak Garcham:** Dance of the Skelton Lords

To remind the world of the ephemeral nature of all things, two monks appear as the forces of good manifested by Cemetery Lords.

**Dakzin Tsarchord:** A Melody to Sever the Ego Syndrome

Drawn from the 11<sup>th</sup> century female mystic Machik Labdon, this traditional meditative music is considered among the most hauntingly beautiful from the Land of the Snows. Its purpose is to free the mind from ego-clinging habits.

**Khadro Tenshug Garcham:** Dance of the Celestial Travelers

Five dancers symbolize the five elements and five wisdoms. With three musicians, they invoke the sounds and movements of the Celestial Travelers, mystic beings from another world. These spirits visit our world in times of stress and danger, bringing with them the creative energy that inspires harmony and peace.

**Sangso Shijo:** Auspicious Song for World Healing

The monks send forth smoke, which the wind carries to the ten directions as a force invoking peace, harmony and the ways of creative living.