

JACQUES MARCHAIS MUSEUM OF TIBETAN ART

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VEN. GESHE PEMA DORJERE TO PRESENT LECTURE ON "WISDOM AND COMPASSION" AT JACQUES MARCHAIS MUSEUM OF TIBETAN ART, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2011, 3:00 PM.



The Jacques Marchais Museum of Tibetan Art is pleased to welcome Geshe Pema Dorjee, internationally renowned Tibetan Buddhist monk, scholar, and humanitarian, to the Museum on Thursday, September 15, 2011 at 3:00 PM. Geshe Pema Dorjee will present a lecture on "Wisdom and Compassion" and he will speak about his humanitarian projects in India and Nepal. Admission is \$10 per person.

Geshe Pema Dorjee was born into a nomadic family in Tibet. After completing degrees in both Prajnaparamita Philosophy (The Perfection of Wisdom) and in Madhyamika Philosophy (The Middle Way) from Drepung Loseling monastery in India, he attained his Geshe degree. Amongst his many academic appointments since then, he was the first Principal of the College for Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarah. At the request of His Holiness, he founded and continues to direct both the Bodong Research and Publication Center in Dharamsala and the Bodong Monastery and school in Kathmandu. He devotes the rest of his time to humanitarian projects in Himalayan India and Nepal and to teaching and lecturing in countries around the world, including Sweden, England, Switzerland, Belgium, Germany, Finland, Norway, France, Estonia, Israel, and now the United States. For more information, see www.buddhistcharity.org.

The Jacques Marchais Museum of Tibetan Art was founded in 1945 and presents the art, culture, and history of Tibet to a world audience in order to educate and inspire appreciation of world cultures and to foster better global understanding. The Museum accomplishes this mission through preservation of its unique collection of rare and sacred artifacts, through careful stewardship of its historic buildings and gardens. Much like the founder's original mission, it is the intention of the Museum to give visitors a greater understanding of Tibet and the Himalayan region. The Museum is located at 338 Lighthouse Avenue, Staten Island, NY and is accessible via the Staten Island Ferry and S74 bus to Lighthouse Avenue. For additional information, please call 718-987-3500 or visit, <u>www.tibetanmuseum.org</u>.

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