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Swami Gurupriyananda | www.sivanandaonline.org

Swami Gurupriyananda was born into a spiritual family in the Eastern part of India in 1971. During his childhood he studied not only formal education but he also studied traditional Vedantic classes, which included Sanskrit, Vedic chanting and Hindu rituals. From early childhood, Swami Gurupriyanada was inspired by family, saints and sages who led him further into spiritual life. When he was 19 years of age, he decided to leave the home to be a monk and went to the Himalayas and joined with the Divine Life Society Sivananda Ashram, in Rishikesh (www.sivanandaonline.org).

Key dates for Swami Gurupriyanada's initiations from His Holiness Swami Chidananda, the president of the Divine Life Society at that time, are: • In 1992, he took Mantra diksha (initiation) • In 1993, he took Brhamachari initiation • In 1999, he took Sannyas initiation

For 16 years, Swami Gurupriyananda was the chief-priest and in charge of the Sri Vishwanath Temple at Sivananda Ashram. During his 21 years stay at the Sivananda Ashram in Rishikesh, he studied Geeta, Upanishads and Vedantic philosophy from scholarly monks. From 2011 onwards, Swami Gurupriyananda has been based in Uttarakashi Sivananda Ashram (www.sivanandsevasamiti.org). By the invitation of devotees, he is traveling to India and abroad to share spiritual knowledge about the essential essence of human life. His journeys so far have taken him to Japan, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand, USA, France, UK, Australia, Bali, Ireland, Nepal and Tibet.

Swami Gurupriyananda can be reached online at <https://apps.wix.com/place-invites/join-lp/80a911d0-72db-46f6-a805-4e2f2fb7710d>



Rabbi Benjamin Zober | www.sinaireno.org

Rabbi Benjamin Zober grew up in Cleveland, Ohio. After graduating from Brandeis University with a degree in European Cultural Studies and a minor in Near Eastern and Judaic Studies, he returned to Cleveland and earned his J.D. from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. After practicing law for several years, including time as an Assistant State Public Defender in Ohio's Death Penalty Appeals Division, Rabbi Benjamin looked to a different way of serving the law. Ordained by the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in 2018, he was awarded the prize for the senior with the best sermon delivery and oratory.

In addition to leading prayers, teaching, and other pulpit responsibilities along with his wife and co-rabbi Sara Zober, Rabbi Benjamin takes the lead on social justice and interfaith work. A member of the Coordinating Council for the Nevada Interfaith Association, he speaks and offers prayers throughout the state and helps educate others about Judaism. Rabbi Benjamin also serves on the SHARE Board (focusing on the sexual health curriculum for Washoe County Schools), and the Emergency Food and Shelter Program, allocating funds for local organizations focusing on hunger and housing. In his spare time (or what remains with rabbinical duties and being a proud step-dad to three wonderful kids) he likes to read, run, and make pop-up books.



Padre Guidalberto Bormolini | www.guidalbertobormolini.it

Padre Guidalberto Bormolini formerly worked as an artisan carpenter and luthier and is currently a monk and priest in the community for Christian meditation, "The builders in prayer." He graduated from the Pontifical Gregorian University and obtained his license in Theological Anthropology. He is a PhD student in Spiritual Theology at S. Anselmo University (Rome). In particular, his main activities are spiritually accompanying the dying and teaching at the "Death Studies & the End of Life" Master at University of Padua. He also studies ascetic disciplines in Christian monasticism and the relationship between body and spiritual life, Christian spirituality in relation to the love of creation, interreligious dialogue, as well as death and dying in the world's great religious and wisdom traditions.



Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche | www.ligmincha.org

Founder and spiritual director of Ligmincha International, Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche is a respected and beloved teacher and meditation master in the Bön Buddhist tradition of Tibet. He has students in more than 25 countries, teaches around the world and reaches thousands of students through his online programs.

Trained as a Bön monk, Rinpoche now lives as a householder, allowing him to more fully relate to the needs and concerns of his students. Known for the depth of his wisdom and his unshakeable commitment to helping students recognize their true nature, he is the author of many books and online courses.



Dilgo Khyentse Yangsi Rinpoche | www.shechen.org

Kyabje Dilgo Khyentse Yangsi Rinpoche, was born in Nepal on June 30th 1993, and is the son of Kyabje Tsikey Chokling Rinpoche Mingyur Dewai Dorje, the third embodiment of Chogyur Dechen Lingpa (himself the son of Tulku Ugyen Rinpoche) and Mayum Dechen Paldron. Rinpoche was recognized as the incarnation of Kyabje Dilgo Khyentse Rinpoche by Kyabje Trulshik Rinpoche after he had numerous dreams and visions indicating the identity of the incarnation, which was also confirmed His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama. In 1995, Kyabje Trulshik Rinpoche performed the ceremony of offering a name (Ugyen Tenzin Jigme Lhundrup) and robes to Yangsi Rinpoche. The next year, Kyabje Dilgo Khyentse Yangsi Rinpoche's enthronement took place at Shechen Tennyi Dargyeling Monastery in December 1996.

Kyabje Dilgo Khyentse Rinpoche (Yangsi Rinpoche's predecessor), was born in 1910 in Eastern Tibet to a family descended from the royal lineage of the 9th century king Trisong Detsen. When he was still in his mother's womb, Kyabje Dilgo Khyentse was recognized by the great Mipham Rinpoche as a Tulku. He was later enthroned as an emanation of Jamyang Khyentse Wangpo, one of the most important Tertons, Tibetan Buddhist Masters and writers of the 19th century. Yangsi Rinpoche's predecessor had a very close connection with Kyabje Tsikey Chokling Rinpoche and even performed the marriage ceremony of his parents.

Kyabje Dilgo Khyentse Yangsi Rinpoche was educated in Bhutan under the guidance of Kyabje Shechen Rabjam Rinpoche and completed his nine year philosophical course tutored by Khenpo Yeshe Gyaltzen. Yangsi Rinpoche has also received the teachings and empowerments his predecessor held and leads many annual prayer ceremonies at Shechen Monastery. Rinpoche also travels extensively, teaching the dharma to students from all over the world.

Kyabje Dilgo Khyentse Yangsi Rinpoche is a very kind, wise, compassionate and humble teacher who has a deep commitment and sense of caring for the future of Buddhism and who always keeps the important living continuation example of his Predecessor Kyabje Dilgo Khyentse Rinpoche, his root guru Kyabje Trulshik Rinpoche and his late father Kyabje Tsikey Chokling Rinpoche.



Lama Tsultrim Allione | www.taramandala.org

Lama Tsultrim was born in Bangor, Maine, on October 3, 1947 as Joan Rousmanière Ewing. Her family moved to Keene, New Hampshire when she was eight. Her father, James D. Ewing, was the publisher of a small-town New England newspaper; and her mother, Ruth D. Ewing, formerly a labor mediator, was involved with the League of Women Voters and community mental health. Her maternal grandparents both received PhD. degrees in philosophy at Harvard University. Her grandfather was a professor at Harvard. Her grandmother taught philosophy and psychology at Mount Holyoke and Smith Colleges. She was one of the first women to receive a PhD. from Harvard-Radcliffe. Her paternal grandfather Oscar R. Ewing was in the President's cabinet under Harry Truman.

Lama Tsultrim grew up with her older sister, Carolyn, and younger brother, Thomas. In her youth she was a competitive horseback rider and downhill skier. Her maternal grandmother, Frances R. Dewing, gave her a book on Buddhism when she was fifteen years old, activating seed that would come to fruition in a life devoted to Buddhist teachings. A year later while visiting her grandparents in Cambridge, Massachusetts, she came upon Dr. Carl Jung's book, *Man and his Symbols*, which had a Tibetan mandala on the cover. This book triggered a lifelong interest in the mandala.

In 1967, at the age of nineteen, having read every book available at the time about Tibet, she traveled to Nepal and India in hopes of learning to paint mandalas. Meeting the Tibetan refugees in Nepal, Lama Tsultrim had a feeling of 'arriving home'. She began to sit each morning in the Kagyu monastery (next to Swayambhu stupa) in Kathmandu and observe the rituals. At this time she was living with the American yogi, Bhagavan Das and Dr. Richard Alpert, an eminent Harvard psychologist and psychedelic pioneer. Alpert and Bhagavan Das embarked on the famous journey to see Neem Keroli Baba, and Lama Tsultrim left on an arduous journey, hitch-hiking across Northern India to see His Holiness the Dalai Lama in Dharamsala, where she began a lifelong study of Tibetan Buddhism.



Imam Mohammed Zafarullah | www.alislam.org

Imam Mohammed Zafarullah currently serves as the southwest US regional missionary for the worldwide Ahmadiyya Muslim Community (est.1889). He was born in 1958 and has devoted his life to serving Islam since 1982 after graduating from Jamia Ahmadiyya, an intensive, multi-lingual, seven-year missionary training seminary in Rabwah, Pakistan. Imam Zafarullah served in various parts of Pakistan for eight years until 1991, when he was transferred to Sierra Leone. He served the Ahmadiyya Community in West Africa for six years as an Imam and missionary, as well as an administrator and teacher at an Ahmadiyya secular secondary school. In 1996 he was transferred back to Pakistan for two years, where he worked at the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community's headquarters in Rabwah. In 1999 he was transferred to the US, where he was stationed in Dayton, Ohio for five years until 2004, when he was transferred to Houston. He was

the Southern regional missionary there for the next ten years, in charge of missionary outreach for Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth, Austin, Tulsa and New Orleans. In July of 2014 Imam Zafarullah was transferred to the Los Angeles area, headquartered at the Baitul Hameed Mosque in Chino. His missionary duties cover Southern California, including San Diego. He is also responsible for serving the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community chapters in Las Vegas. Currently, Imam Zafarullah is stationed in Glen Ellyn, IL, overlooking Greater Chicago local chapters. This includes three mosques in the city and suburbs with community strength of 1,500 members. Since arriving in October 2017, he has established strong ties with churches, synagogues and other faith organizations across Chicago-land.



Roberto Cacciapaglia

Pianist & Composer

www.robortocacciapaglia.com

Roberto Cacciapaglia was born in Milan. He graduated in composition from the "Giuseppe Verdi" Conservatory of his city, where he also studied conducting and electronic music. Over the years he worked at the studio of Phonology of Rai and collaborated with the CNR (National Research Council) in Pisa where he studied computer applications in the field of music.

Roberto Cacciapaglia's music includes the classical era, tradition, the avantgardes, the contemporary. In his continuous explorations he has touched many musical genres to discover their essence, the principle that goes beyond divisions. His music through sound becomes a

profound glance into the mystery of things, total harmony. Not an intellectual, mental process, it is music passing from emotion through melody and harmony, primordial elements of the power of sound in all epochs. These spiritual elements are exemplified in some of his best known works:

- "DAYS OF EXPERIENCE", first performed at Teatro Bibiena in Mantua and at the Auditorium San Domenico of Foligno, is the new release mastered at the Abbey Road Studios by Alex Wharton. It has been published worldwide by Believe Distribution Services on December 4th, 2020, immediately at first place in iTunes Classical Music Chart.
- "Best Live Act 2019" - American Magazine "Bluebird Reviews" awarded the concert at Carnegie Hall in New York as best concert of 2019.
- "North America Tour" - great success for the concerts in the U.S.A: Carnegie Hall in New York - Zipper Hall in Los Angeles - Herbst Theatre in San Francisco - North Beach Bandshell - in Miami.
- "Istanbul Concert" - worldwide tour continues in Turkey with a concert in the prestigious Zorlu PSM - Turkcell Platinum Stage.
- "Diapason China Tour 2019" - Diapason arrives in China. 8 concerts in the most important cities: Beijing, Shijiazhuang, Chongqing, Chengdu, Guangzhou, Liuzhou, Changsha and Shanghai. It has been an extraordinary success, with a wonderful welcome, many standing ovations and long lines to meet Maestro at the end of the concerts.
- "DIAPASON" is the album of unreleased tracks that came out on 18th January 2019 and immediately entered at the number one spot in iTunes Classic Italy. It was recorded with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in the legendary Abbey Road Studio 2, London. In the same day, the "Diapason Worldwide Tour" had started: 15 dates in the most beautiful theatres in Italy before the international tour which will be In Russia, China and once again in the USA.
- "Celebration Tour 2018" - started from Russia, in Moscow, St. Petersburg, Perm, Ekaterinburg, Krasnoyarsk, Novosibirsk and then the most prestigious theatre of Italy.