#### Dharma Service with Rev. Aoki on Zoom

Please contact Rev. Aoki at: rev.aoki@gmail.com
to receive the Zoom link
or check the temple website



(The Services take approximately 40 minutes - Meditation, Sutra Chanting, and Dharma Talk)

Zoom Service @ 10:00 am: Saturday, December 7th Saturday, January 4<sup>th</sup>

In-Person Service @ 10:00 am: Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup>

# Sunday, December 1st

@ 11:00 a.m.

### Bodhi Day/Bonenkai/ Shotsuki/Memorial Service

(plus lunch)

The Zoom link is:

Meeting ID: 692 059 0986

Vancouver Buddhist Temple



220 Jackson Avenue Vancouver, BC, V6A 3B3

Phone:

604-253-7033

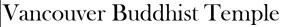
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# Life is Fragile



"Whether I go before others or others go before me, whether it is to be today or whether it is to be tomorrow, who is to know. Those who are sent before us are as fragile as drops of dew."

(On the White Ashes by Rennyo Shonin)

I was very saddened to hear of Reverend Yasuo Izumi's passing. He was one of our "Senpai" (senior) ministers, who was very much dedicated to promoting and sharing Buddha-Dharma in Canada.

I would like to express my sincerest appreciation to Rev. Izumi. Domo Arigato, Izumi Sensei.

I attended the Japanese Canadian Remembrance Day ceremony at Stanley Park on November 11<sup>th</sup>. It was hosted by the Japanese Canadian War Memorial Committee and the Nikkei National Museum and Cultural Centre. This year marks the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of all Japanese Canadians right to vote, and the War Measures Act was repealed in 1949. Over 150 people attended the service under the light rain, and Mr. Ted Akune, as BC Buddhist Federation president, and I placed a wreath at the Cenotaph in the park.

There have been constant conflicts and wars in the world. It is our

hope that the conflicts will end soon, and peace will be restored.

In gassho,

Tatsuya Aoki







### Message from the VBT Board

This summer I was very fortunate to go to Japan with my 3 daughters. Nicole, our oldest, was able to join us from Perth, Australia and Courtney, Stephanie and I flew from here. Now that I am back and remembering the wonderful time I had, I realize just how lucky I was to have been able to take this trip with all 3 of the girls. Everything is constantly changing and I am only getting older, If I hadn't taken advantage of this opportunity it may not happen again. Buddhism teaches us to live each day to the fullest because there may not be a tomorrow. To live life to the

fullest and enjoy the time we have with our family and friends. I am so thankful to have had this opportunity with my daughters. My Mother would have been very envious. I thought of her and my Grandmother during this vacation and how happy they would be that we were in Japan together. We attended an early morning service at Tsukuji Hongwanji and their Obon Odori. It was fabulous. There were probably 1,000 people in attendance eating, dancing and drinking!!! Having a great time. It was amazing to see so many people, when our event brings out 50 dancers and possibly 20-30 spectators. This event just proves what can happen when we all get together to organize.



In Gassho,

Lorna Bishop

### 2025 VBT Calendar of Events

Wednesday, JANUARY 1st @ 11 am - New Year's Service

Sunday, JANUARY 12<sup>th</sup> @ 11 am - Hoonko and Shotsuki (Guest speaker: Rev. Ryuta Furmoto - Senshin Buddhist Temple, California

Sunday, FEBRUARY 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 1 pm - VBT AGM

Sunday, FEBRUARY  $9^{th}$  @ 11 am - Nirvana Day and Shotsuki

Sunday, MARCH 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 11 am - Spring Ohigan & Shotsuki

Sunday, APRIL 13<sup>th</sup> @ 11 am - Hanamatsuri/Keiro-Kai/ Hatsumairi and Shotsuki (Guest speaker: Rev. Brian Nagata, BDK America)

Sunday, MAY 4<sup>th</sup> @ 11 am - Gotan-E/Shotsuki/BC Buddhist Day (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in May)

Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup> @ Noon - Bazaar

Sunday, JUNE  $8^{th}$  @ 11 am - Shotsuki

Saturday, JUNE  $21^{st}$  @ noon - VBT Luncheon (details to be announced)

Sunday, JULY 6<sup>th</sup> - Obon Cemetery Sites Services (Burnaby/Vancouver)

Sunday, JULY 13<sup>th</sup> @ 2 pm - Obon/Hatsubon & Shotsuki

@ 4 pm Bon Odori

AUGUST 2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> - Powell Street Festival

Sunday, AUGUST 10<sup>th</sup> @ 11 am - Shotsuki

Sunday, SEPTEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> - VBT Picnic (Central Park)

Sunday, SEPTEMBER 21<sup>st</sup> @ 11 am - BC Federation Convention Memorial Service and Fall Ohigan and Shotsuki

Sunday, OCTOBER 5<sup>th</sup>@ 11 am - JSBTC Day & Shotsuki

Sunday, NOVEMBER 9<sup>th</sup> @ 11 am - Eitaikyo & Shotsuki

Sunday, DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> @ 11 am - Bodhi Day, Bonenkai & Shotsuki

Sunday, DECEMBER 14<sup>th</sup> - Mochitsuki

Wednesday, DECEMBER 31<sup>st</sup> @ 11:30 pm - Bell Ringing @ UBC

### **Greetings from the Valley...**



The atmospheric rain event has the valley so wet making it difficult to feel grateful for the water, although we really do need the moisture. The B.C. elections are done (or are they??) and life goes on as usual ??

We said goodbye to Ruth Honkawa and we notice how the temple seems emptier as our seniors seats become less and less used. Again, gratitude is not always easy to feel, but we are grateful for the time we have had with all of our seniors.

As fall turns into winter our little temple wishes everyone a safe and healthy winter and try to attend temple somewhere, somehow... you really will feel better.

We will be having a meeting on November 30<sup>th</sup> at the temple to plan our temple anniversary which we hope to hold in May of 2025. The meeting will be at 10:00 and all members who have ideas and interest in helping with the anniversary event please join us at this meeting.

The December shotsuki and end of the year service will be held on December 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 in the morning with Reverend Grant Ikuta officiating. After lunch we will be playing bingo so please bring a well disguised bingo prize.

We will also make mochi on December 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. If you wish to make mochi please bring your prepared rice to the temple.

In gassho,

Fraser Valley Buddhist Temple

### Fraser Valley Buddhist Temple Donations Received in Gratitude

We gratefully acknowledge the following donations and apologize for any mistakes or omissions.

**October Service** – R Tateyama, M Fujita, R Nishimura, R/M Fujita, J Nakatsui, S/L Yoshioka, A Nagamatsu, J Fujita/M McSkimming, C Hamanishi, L North, B Kagawa, D Cork.

In memory of Fumiye Honkawa - GL Smith

In memory of father - B Kagawa

In memory of Roy Miki, Grace Eiko Thompson, and Masaki Nishimura - R Nishimura

JSBTC Day - B Shikaze, S/L Yoshioka, A Nagamatsu, L North, M Fujita, G/L Smith

**In Memory of Ruth Honkawa** – R Tateyama, R Nishimura, B Kagawa, T/Y Matsuno, B Shikaze, R Nishimura, W Nishimura, M Fujita, L North, L Smith, R/M Fujita, R Nasu

**November Service** – J Fujita/M McSkimming, J Nakatsui, Y/G Kariatsumari, M Fujita, R Nishimura, S/L Yoshioka, R Tateyama

**In memory of Fusaye Nishimura** – R Nishimura

In memory of Hiroshi & Ruth Honkawa

Eitaikyo - B Kagawa, L North

Online donation in September - Carol Shimono and family in memory of May Mukaida

### Come Join Us for Seniors' Luncheon and Bingo!

A call out to all Senior VBT members (70 years and up)!

Usually on the third Sunday of each month at 11:00 a.m., we have a short service followed by a luncheon for our senior members. We have 5 games of Bingo, afterwards. There is no cost to attend, but donations are gratefully accepted. If you would like to join us, please let the office know so that we can prepare accordingly. Please check the 'Upcoming Events' section for the next luncheon date.

#### Reverend Yasuo Izumi



The Jodo Shinshu Buddhist community in Canada is saddened to learn of the passing of Reverend Yasuo Izumi and offers its sincere condolences to his family and friends. Izumi passed away on Oct. 29, 2024, at the age of 80. Rev. Izumi, a Buddhist minister who served for 54 years in temples across Canada such as Lethbridge Buddhist Temple, Vancouver Buddhist Temple, Steveston Buddhist Temple, Toronto Buddhist Church, and the Buddhist Temple of Southern Alberta. In October 2023, Rev. Izumi retired from his formal work as a minister. The family respectfully declines flowers or Koden.

#### **Upcoming Events**

Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> -Bodhi Day & Shotsuki/ Memorial Service @ 11 am

Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> -Dharma Service @ 10:00 am

Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> -Fraser Valley Service with Rev. Ikuta @ 11:00 am

Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>
- Mochitsuki at VBT @
9:00 a.m.

Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> -In-person Service @ 10 am

Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>
- Seniors' Luncheon @
11:00 a.m.

Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup> -Bell Ringing @ 11:30 p.m. at UBC Asian Centre (not at VBT

Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> -New Year's Service @ 11:00 a.m. at VBT (no Zoom)

\*\*\* All services, except where indicated, will be via Zoom.

### **Return to the Toban System**

The temple would not be the warm and welcoming place for gathering if it were not for the dedicated hard work of our members. When people come to the temple - whether it is for the first time or the 100<sup>th</sup> time - the care we put in our temple expresses how precious we hold the Teachings of the Buddha.



The Tobans will look after Memorial/Shotsuki services. Some of the duties include: cleaning the Hondo, the Social Hall, inside and outside the temple; a parking attendant is needed; as well as a couple people may be needed to act as service receptionist and usher. Also, Tobans will be

responsible for lunch preparations, clean-up, and garbage removal. Help will also be needed for special services and memorial events, when needed.

The following activities in **December and January** are the responsibility of **Toban #3** 

- Bodhi Day & Shotsuki/Memorial Service Lunch Prep Sunday, December 1st @ 9:00 a.m.
- Mochitsuki Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 a.m.
- **Seniors' Luncheon** Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 a.m.
- New Year's Eve Service Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup> @ 10:00 pm (@ UBC)
- New Year's Day Service Wednesday, January 1st @ 10:00 am
- Hoonko & January Shotsuki/Memorial Service Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00
  am

Please contact Toban 3's captains, Dave Ohori and/or Trish Keizer if you are able to help.

#### Thank You to...

A lot of work is required to keep the temple in working order. From time to time things break-down or we need assistance in the kitchen. As well as the board of directors, we are very fortunate to have volunteers answer the call for help.

A huge shout-out and thanks to:

- September Bento & Fukujinzuke making Molly Akune, JoAnna Bazeley, Joyce and Georgina Chan, Kathy Homma, Yuko & Izumi Iguchi, Masae Ishii, Takiko Kawasaki, Izumi Low, Frances Minato, Tatsu & Karen Mizushima, Akemi Mizuta, Cathy Nishikawa, Keiko Oyama, Kazue Tsurusaki, Emi & Hannah Yamazaki, Nancy Yamazaki, Christine, Kaz, and Margaret Yoshida
- Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> Manju making JoAnna Bazeley, Joyce and Georgina Chan, Haruyo Chiba, Yuko & Izumi Iguchi, Masae Ishii, Satsu Kanegae, Paul & Eileen Kitamura, Takiko Kawasaki, Sam Kobayashi, Akemi Mizuta, Cathy Nishikawa, Keiko Oyama, Kazue Tsurusaki, Christine & Kaz Yoshida
- October Bento Molly Akune, JoAnna Bazeley, Joyce Chan, Kathy Homma, Masae Ishii, Satsu Kanegae, Paul & Eileen Kitamura, Izumi Low, Tatsu & Karen Mizushima, Akemi Mizuta, Kazue Tsurusaki, Christine, Kaz, and Margaret Yoshida
- ♦ November 3rd Manju making Molly Akune, JoAnna Bazeley, Haruyo Chiba, Kathy Homma, Masae Ishii, Satsu Kanegae, Takiko Kawasaki, Mas Kitagawa, Paul & Eileen Kitamura, Sam Kobayashi, Alamy Liu, Tatsu & Karen Mizushima, Bob Soga, Kazue Tsurusaki, Ed & Emi Yamazaki, Christine & Kaz Yoshida

## Memorial Years of 2024

2002

#### December Shotsuki (Memorial) List

The December Shotsuki monthly memorial service will be held in-person and virtually (via Zoom) on Sunday, December 1st at 11:00 a.m.

1959 HIROSE, Tanejiro MATSUYAMA, Iyo <u> 1960</u> HARA, Matsuji NAKAZEKI, Ihachi NOGAMI, Sankichi UYEYAMA, Yoshiye IWABUCHI, Ichio SHOJI, Kojiro 1962 NAITO, Ise 1963 MIZUNO, Tsuru SAKATA, Yone 1964 NAKAMURA, Hikozo OHASHI, Gengo OYE, Tomi 1966 ARAKAWA, Sute KOHARA, Shirayu FUJIOKA, Kenji TAKIMOTO, Yojiro 1970 MAEDA, Ko OOKA, Fusaye TATSUMI, Shigeru YANO, Kenichi 1972 KARIYA, Gorokichi MATSUI, Sadajiro

NEHA, Tomonori MORI, Bun

INOUYE, Teru NAKAMURA, Keizo <u> 1975 - 50<sup>th</sup> Year</u> MIYATA, Ninosuke UYEDE, Shige 1976

NAGASAWA, Kinsaku

KOYANAGI, Kyuichi <u> 1977</u> HIGO, Hajime MATSUNO, Takao

NAKATSU, Gen ROBINSON, Robert

AJIMOTO. Haruye HAMANISHI, Kentaro KOYANAGI, Jun MASUHARA, Yohei NAKASONE, Yoriko YAMANOUCHI, Keiji

1980 SHOJI, Tamiko 1982

NAKATSU, Kanichi YOSHIDA, Makio

<u> 1984</u> MORI, Kenji SHIBATA, Yasuhiro 1987

TAKAHASHI, Tsusaburo

KITADE, Yoshiharu MORISUE, Kazuo

1989 MUKAI, Mine

<u> 1990</u> FUJITA, Kiyoshi NAGASAWA, Tatsu NATSUHARA, Sawaye OHORI, Masa SUGAWARA, Yoshiko TAKASAKI, Takeo

1992 33<sup>rd</sup> Year BABA, Masako HAMANISHI, Toshio TAKAGI, Nobue

MINAMIDE, Toshiye ONO, Suye YAKURA, Ko

1994 TAKATA, Takeo Tahara, Toshiyuki

1995 HAMAGUCHI, Kisako 1996 KITAGAWA, Sotojiro <u> 1997</u> HONDA, Kazuo KAWAMOTO, Masao

NISHI, Yoshiko YOSHIDA, Yoshie 2000 25<sup>th</sup> Year ASAOKA, Takashi IWASAKI, Mitsuji KOYANAGI, Saburo MASUHARA, Wakako OKAMOTO, Yukio TOMANEKI, Machiye

2001 AKASAKA, Minoru MURAO, Yasukichi TAKAI, Nobuo TAKENO, Hisae YAMAMOTO, Ei

HARA, Miyoko HARAGUCHI, Masanobu NISHIKIHAMA, Sawae SEKIYA, Mitsuo

2003 HATTORI, Allan HONKAWA, Kenichi KOYANAGI, Suyeko TATARA, Eiko

NISHIMOTO, Kumeko 2004 TAKEMOTO, Yasuye

2005 KAGETSU, Hide TAKEMORI, Ichiro YONEDA, Minoru HASOME, Kumiko

2006 MIYAZAKI, Yoshie 2007 KOMORI, Edward NATSUHARA, Kaoru

KITANO, Ken 2008 - 17<sup>th</sup> Year SAKATA, Kazuma HAYASHI, Shigeko

2009 GOMYO, Yuichi CHIBANA, Jinjo

2010 YONEDA, George OKABE, Hitoshi

NUKINA, Roy Masami 2012 - 13<sup>th</sup> Year NOMURA, George MARTIN, Hunter SAKIYAMA, Mitsuyo

FUJITA, Eileen <u> 2013</u> HAYASHI, Kotaro UEGAKI, Takuo SHIKAZE, Emiko MATSUNAGA, Takao

TAKATA, Etsuko

IKEGAMI, Kinya TAHARA, Yume

2016

TAKAKI, Jean TANAKA, Mike FUKUI, Makoto

2017

TSURUMARU, Chizuko TSUJI, Akiko

TANIZAWA, Masaaki <u> 2018 - 7<sup>th</sup> Year</u>

NATSUKOSHI, Noriko TATEYAMA, Henry FUKUHARA, Toshiro

HAYASHI, Teru (Terry)

JOSHI, Kuniko NAKASHIMA, Herbert

<u> 2022 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Year</u> ARITA, Itsuko KOYANAGI, Yoshiko SHIMIZU, Gentaro YADA, Kiyoko

**Passings** 

Our deepest condolences go to the families and friends of:

Mrs. Shizue Okuda (97 yrs) September 7

Mrs. Hiroko Tomita (80 yrs) October 22

Mrs. Sumiko Kimoto (99 yrs) October 24

Ms. Nancy Morishita (92 yrs) October 29

> Mrs. Mary Ono (92) November 4

\*\*The Shotsuki Service will be held on Sunday, December 1st at the temple & via Zoom @ 11:00 a.m.

The Zoom link is:

Meeting ID: 692 059 0986

Passcode: shinran



#### <u>Japanese Canadian Survivors Health and Wellness Fund Society</u>

#### October, 2024 Update for the Japanese Canadian Survivors Health and Wellness Fund

The Japanese Canadian Survivors Health and Wellness team is hard at work processing applications. While there are grant cheques being mailed on a regular basis, we know many Survivors are waiting and frustrated at the length of time to receive a cheque. Due to the volume of applications received to date the wait time has increased. We thank you for your ongoing patience. There is a detailed process to confirm eligibility and due diligence to ensure that the money is being awarded to appropriately qualified Survivors.

Since February 1, 2024, we have received approximately 5000 applications from Japanese Canadian Survivors living around the world. To date, we have awarded over 3500 grants to over 2000 Survivors.

We follow a strategy to process applications by prioritizing age and health and the wellness needs of living Survivors. High priority status is due to physical and/or mental health, or financial need. We started with those aged 100+ years and dropped each group by 5 years (100+ then 95+, 90+ and 85+). We are now serving those born pre-1942 (82+ years) and continue to include priority applications.

#### Please note:

- You can make an online application until March 31, 2025
- Confirmation of your application is sent by email. A reference number (SR-XXXXX) is issued. Please keep this number.
- If you have a SR number, please do not re-apply. Duplicate applications require more time to process

#### **Eligibility**

Eligible applicants for both Grants 1 and 2 must meet ALL of the following requirements:

- be of Japanese descent
- be born before April 1, 1949
- have lived in BC before April 1, 1949 OR had parents or grandparents who lived in BC before April 1, 1949
- have been directly impacted by the actions of the BC government before April 1, 1949

#### In addition, for Grant 2:

• On or after February 1 st, 2024, the Survivor must be alive at the time of submitting the application (online or through an Outreach Worker)

To validate your application please locate the following documents:

- Personal identification (e.g. birth certificate, passport, a picture ID)
- Birthdate before April 1, 1949
- Proof of current mailing address (e.g. Driver's License, recent credit card statement, utility bill)

**DO NOT** send the Society any personal documents by email or mail. This is for your protection.

#### Validation

Once the file is assigned to an Outreach Worker, they will contact you by phone or email and arrange to either meet with you in person or virtually (by Zoom).

- 1. The first step is confirmation of date of birth prior to April 1, 1949.
- 2. The next step is validation of Roots in British Columbia (B.C.), which confirms the Survivor's ties to BC prior to April 1, 1949.

Research is conducted by staff. However, the onus is on the Survivor/Representative to provide sufficient information to confirm that the Survivor has Roots in BC.

Many have already met with an Outreach Worker for step 1. There is a delay to process step 2, research confirmation of Roots in BC from official documents or recognized databases/sources. Please understand that it is more difficult to find the Roots in B.C. for those born post uprooting (after 1942) and born outside of B.C. Linkage is required of the Survivor to the parent or grandparent with the permanent residence in B.C prior to April 1, 1949.

As all ship arrivals from Japan to Canada at that time went through the Port of Vancouver, this is not sufficient to qualify as having Roots in B.C. especially if the family's destination was outside of B.C.

Survivors may not be aware of the onerous validation process. This is a requirement to ensure that fraud is not committed in the issuance of these grants. It is a criminal offence to make a false application.

Failure to meet the eligibility requirements will result in a denied application. A denial letter will be sent to the Survivor/Representative. An adjudication process is available if a Survivor requests to have the decision reviewed by the objective Adjudication Committee.

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As living Survivor applications are a priority, please note that the following circumstances will encounter a delay to be processed:

- The applicant died after applying
- The applicant is deceased, and the estate is applying for Grant 1 only
- Lost or stolen cheques, incorrect address and deposit errors to an incorrect bank account
- The applicant is living outside of North America

For enquiries, please contact our JCSHWF General Phone/Toll-free phone or email:

JCSHWF General phone 250.797.6300

JCSHWF North American toll-free phone 1.833.368.6462

JCSHWF Email: help@jcwellness.org

#### The list of Outreach Workers is available on our website:

https://jcwellness.org/outreachworkers

We thank all Survivors for their patience and understanding as we proceed through the validation process for 5000 applications.

The Japanese Canadian Survivor Health & Diplement Fund is open for applications until March 31, 2025.

#### 2024 Mochitsuki

#### To all VBT members:



Please join us on Sunday, December  $8^{th}$  @ 9:00 a.m. for Mochitsuki. Each member's family will receive one (1) kagami mochi set and one (1) komochi package (9 mochi/package). Also, additional mochi packages can be purchased for \$10.00 (9 mochi).



So we know how much mochi to make, please return the order form ASAP, or contact the VBT either by phone: 604 253-7033 or email us at: <a href="mailto:temple.vbt@gmail.com">temple.vbt@gmail.com</a>

## 2024 VBT Mochitsuki Order Form

| I would like to receive a Kagami mochi set and Komochi package: YES / NO (VBT members only)   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| I would like to order additional mochi: x \$10.00 Total: \$   |  |  |
| *** <b>For non-members:</b> Kagami mochi - \$5.00/set and Komochi - \$10.00/package  I would like to order Kagami mochi: x \$5.00 and/or Komochi package: x \$10.00 Total: \$ |  |  |
| N   |  |  |
| Name:   |  |  |
| Phone #: Email:   |  |  |
| *** Deadline to order is Monday, December 2 <sup>nd</sup> ***   |  |  |

### 2025 Annual General Meeting

The Vancouver Buddhist Temple will have its Annual General Meeting on Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 1:00 pm. The meeting will be hybrid (in person and via Zoom). The input from all of our members is needed to help give direction to the temple's board of directors. Please make every effort to attend this very important meeting.

This is an election year. Any Vancouver Buddhist Temple member, in good standing, can and/or have someone submit their name as a potential candidate to serve as a VBT board of director (up to 15 directors) to serve a two year term, to the nomination committee. After reviewing all potential candidates, the nomination committee will contact the potential candidate and see if they will allow their name to stand. The nomination committee candidates and any other names brought forward will be put on the election ballot, which will be sent out to all members at least 30 days prior to the AGM. After ballots are counted, the top 15 vote getters will be duly elected to the VBT board of directors.

Please contact the VBT to receive an application form. Application deadline is December 15<sup>th</sup>.

### 2025 Membership Form

From the Membership Committee:

The VBT will maintain membership fees at \$125 per member and \$35 per student. Members who are 85 years and older (born 1940 or earlier) will be considered 'Honourary Members' and will no longer have to pay fees. Donations to the temple, in kind, will be gratefully accepted.

As of January 1<sup>st</sup>, please return this *Membership Form* and *Dues* to the temple. <u>Honourary Members will need</u> to return the completed form, as well, or contact the office.

Cheque payable to: Vancouver Buddhist Temple. E-transfers to: <a href="mailto:temple.vbt@gmail.com">temple.vbt@gmail.com</a>

If you have any questions, please contact our Temple at (604) 253-7033. Thank you for your dedication and continued support.

In Gassho,

VBT Board of Directors.

| 2025 Vancouver Buddhist Temple Membership Form   |                               |         |  |
|--|-------------------------------|---------|--|
| Toban # New Member? (Circle): yes no   | Honourary Member? (Circle): y | es no   |  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Person: (Mr./Mrs./Miss./Ms.)   |                               |         |  |
|  | Month Day                     | Year    |  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Person: (Mr./Mrs./Miss./Ms.)   | Birthdate:<br>Month Day Y     |         |  |
|  | •                             |         |  |
| Student's Full Name:   | _ School ID #:                | \$35.00 |  |
| Student's Full Name:   | _ School ID #:                | \$35.00 |  |
| Cash: Cheque #: E-transfer:  | Total:                        | \$      |  |
| Address:   | City:                         |         |  |
| Province: Postal Code: _   | Phone:                        |         |  |
| Email Address:   |                               |         |  |
|  |                               |         |  |
| Emergency Contact Person:  | Phone#:                       |         |  |
|  |                               |         |  |
| To receive the Bodhi Mind, please choose either e-mail or Canada Post. Email: Canada Post: |                               |         |  |
| To receive by Canada Post, please choose from: English Japanese Both                       |                               |         |  |

Return completed form to: Vancouver Buddhist Temple

220 Jackson Avenue Vancouver, BC V6A 3B3

Or email to: <u>temple.vbt@gmail.com</u>