

TBC Monastic Sundays Report

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This is an update on TBC Monastic Sundays.

Our new team – Lynn, Marjorie, Jasna and my self – met a second time Friday September 24th. (Our first meeting was at the end of August.) This was an information session.

Lynn shared details about the process of inviting, following up with, supporting, thanking, and offering dana to a monastic teacher in the Theravada tradition.

Lynn also shared sample letters, and emails for each step in this process. We also discussed when and how we should reach out to TBC members supporting our team and TBC Monastic Sundays – Janice as advisor, Tim as Tech Host lead and the Treasurer for Teacher's dana.

Lynn also provided schedules for TBC monastic Sundays for Eastern and Pacific time zones.

Marjorie, Jasna and myself will be sharing the responsibility for TBC monastic Sundays between November 2021 and December 2022.

Marjorie will be inviting a BIPOC monastic or lay teacher in the Theravada/Insight tradition in January and October of 2022.

Jasna will be inviting a monastic teacher in the Theravada tradition in February and May of 2022.

I will be inviting a local monastic teacher in the Thai forest tradition of Ajahn Chah in March and December of 2022.

In June and November of next year, we will have days of mindfulness. There will be no TBC monastic Sunday on those days.

At the upcoming AGM, we would like to ask the community if we should offer TBC monastic Sundays in July and August next year when members may be away on holiday.