

Welcome

We are thrilled to welcome you to an enriching journey of discovery, dialogue, and deep understanding.

We invite you to open your hearts and minds to the teachings that have illuminated the paths of countless seekers throughout history.



Our Panelists



Michael Lum

Historian of Religion, specializing in Tibetan and South Asian traditions, editor of *Canadian Journal of Buddhist Studies*, and former poker pro



Henry Shiu

Specializes in Mahayana Buddhism's history and philosophy, with a focus on Buddha nature and its modern implications



Anthony Scott

Explores Buddhism's role in deimperialization and its intersection with politics, visual aesthetics, and decolonization

Program Agenda

Historical Origins and Cosmological Views of Buddhism

Practical and Personal Aspects of Buddhist Practice

Role of Buddhism in Contemporary Society and Its Global Impact

Intersection of Buddhism with Modern Challenges and Ethical Considerations

Q&A

SYMBIO



SYMBIO is pioneered with the intent of bringing together people who are dreamers with a love for any creative passions.

SYMBIO aims to promote the visibility of Asian Creatives in Toronto by spreading arts, cultural heritage, philosophy, music, poems, and ideas through event organizing, online media presence, contemporary artistic expressions, and various outlets. It is a community where all the arts, culture, philosophy, music, and ideas meet.

Our mission statement aims to provide our community a comprehensive immersed experience where different worlds' collide and converge, where cultures are able to have a mutual understanding, and where ideas of creativity can flow naturally and celebrated upon realization.

Cheng Yu Tung East Asian Library



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CHENG YU TUNG EAST ASIAN LIBRARY

The Cheng Yu Tung East Asian Library is proud to be the intellectual and cultural centre of the academic community for East Asian and Asian Canadian-related studies and programs at the University of Toronto.

The library's story begins with a collection of rare materials acquired from China in the 1930s, now known as the Mu Collection (慕氏藏書). Since then, the East Asian Library has grown to become home to some 700,000 volumes of materials in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and Tibetan, with additional limited resources in Mongolian, Manchu, and Uighur. It is a major research collection on East Asian Studies in North America.

In fulfilling its role as a leading East Asian resource centre in the nation, the library is deeply indebted to its many supporters and donors. On July 11, 1991, the library was named the Cheng Yu Tung East Asian Library (鄭裕彤東亞圖書館) to recognize the especially significant contribution and dedicated support of Dr. Cheng for the improvement and expansion of the library.

Multi-Faith Centre



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Our mission is to enrich the university experience for students by fostering an environment of learning, growth, connection, communities, and support.

We incorporate Indigenous Knowledge, Truth, and Reconciliation by integrating Indigenous knowledges and approaches, centering Indigenous voices and anti-colonial frameworks. Health and Well-being are at the forefront of our approach, ensuring we consider the whole individual and promote culturally responsive care.

We prioritize Relationship and Community to foster a vibrant campus atmosphere of empathy, respect, and compassion. Life-long, Life-wide Learning and Growth are key, as we support students' holistic development across personal, academic, and career aspirations, instilling a passion for continuous learning.

As a Responsive Organization, we adapt to emerging trends and needs, drawing on assessment and research to improve our practices, demonstrate fiscal responsibility, and maintain transparency in decision-making.



Exploring Buddhism: A Panel Discussion

2 April 2024
12-3pm
Multi-faith Centre

About the Moderator



Da Ren Jiang

Music artist, a student of philosophy, and a podcast host on *'The Realm of Da Ren'* with over 1M views across all social media platforms

This is recorded as one of the episodes on *'The Realm of Da Ren'*. Scan the QR to listen again!



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