

Tara Centre for Wisdom Culture Incorporated – Statement of Purposes

Tara Centre for Wisdom Culture Inc. (the Centre), is dedicated to the transmission of Tibetan Buddhism within a Western context through the promotion of study and the dissemination of Buddhist teachings, emphasising the teachings of the Gelugpa school of Tibetan Buddhism, and the preservation of Tibetan Buddhist philosophy, psychology, logic, metaphysics, art, sacred dance, sacred music, crafts and skills, and Tibetan medicine.

The Centre is affiliated with Foundation for the Preservation of the Mahayana Tradition Inc. (FPMT). FPMT Inc. represents an international group of organisations and individuals devoted to the transmission of the Mahayana Buddhist tradition and values worldwide through teaching, meditation and community service. FPMT Inc. and its affiliates, including the Centre, provide integrated education through which people’s minds and hearts can be transformed to express their highest potential for the benefit of others, inspired by an attitude of universal responsibility.

FPMT Inc. and its affiliates are based on the Buddhist tradition of Lama Tsong Khapa of Tibet, as taught by Lama Thubten Yeshe and Kyabje Zopa Rinpoche. The Centre is a non-profit association and all income and property of the Centre must be applied to the promotion of its objects. No portion of property or income is to be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of profit to members.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP OF CENTRE

Tara Centre for Wisdom Culture Incorporated (incorporated under *the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*).

I/We _____
full name(s) of applicant(s)
of _____
address
phone _____ email _____

hereby apply to become a member of the abovenamed incorporated Centre. In the event of my admission as a member, I/we agree to be bound by the rules of the Centre, including its statement of purposes, for the time being in force.

- I/We agree to follow the teachings and advice of His Holiness the Dalai Lama.
- I/We consent to receiving communications from the Centre by email and mail.

- Membership type:** **BENEFACTOR** \$80 per month / \$960 per year **SINGLE** \$50 per month / \$600 per year
 FAMILY \$80 per month / \$960 per year (2 adults plus all children under 21) **STUDENT** \$25 per month / \$300 per year (full time student under 30)

- Payment details:** **BANK TRANSFER**
Tara Centre for Wisdom Culture
BSB: 063242
Account: 10227562
Kindly use **your surname and MEM** in the description
 CASH
Please come in to the TI office any time during office hours.
 CREDIT CARD
Credit card payments are available for one-off quarterly, six-monthly and annual payments, or ongoing monthly payments.
Please contact the office to provide your credit card details.
Tara Institute does not retain your card details.

- Payment frequency:** Monthly Quarterly 6-monthly Annually

- I would like to get involved! I have these skills/services to offer: handyperson fundraising volunteer
 painter plasterer plumber electrician gardener IT cleaning other _____

Signature of applicant 1 *date* _____
Signature of applicant 2 (family m’ship only) *date*

Applications for membership must be nominated and seconded by current members

I, _____ *(full name)*
a member of the Centre, **nominate** the applicant(s), who is (are) personally known to me, for membership of the Centre.

Signature of nominator *date*

I, _____ *(full name)*
a member of the Centre, **second the nomination** of the applicant(s), who is (are) personally known to me, for membership of the Centre.

Signature of seconder *date*

THANK YOU!
Please return this form to the TI Office:
⚙ in person (during business hours)
⚙ post to 3 Mavis Avenue, East Brighton, 3187
⚙ scan and email to admin@tarainstitute.org.au

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 WL **WP** **IP**

Please join our Dharma family

Tara Institute needs more members to help us bring the teachings of the Buddha to the people of Melbourne and surrounding areas.

Your generosity directly helps us to care for our resident teacher, Venerable Geshe Doga, his translator and attendant, and helps cover the ongoing expenses for our spiritual program, administration, utilities, communication, building maintenance and improvements.

In gratitude to our members we offer:

- ✿ Free entry to Monday night teachings
- ✿ Borrowing rights to TI's library
- ✿ 10% discount at the bookshop
- ✿ Discounts on courses
- ✿ Voting rights at AGM
- ✿ Invitations to special members' events
- ✿ Stand for positions on the Executive Committee

THANK YOU!



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Tara Institute is affiliated with the Foundation for the Preservation of the Mahayana Tradition (FPMT), a network of Buddhist centres in Australia and worldwide. The FPMT was founded in the '70s by the late Lama Thubten Yeshe and is now under the spiritual guidance of Kyabje Thubten Zopa Rinpoche.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please become a TI member



"However many members a centre has, that many people are making this incredible contribution to the world."

Lama Zopa Rinpoche

