



CLEAR MOUNTAIN

A Buddhist Forest Monastery



Pilgrims from Clear Mountain's community visit Ajahn Jayasaro in Thailand



Ajahn Kovilo and Ajahn Nisabho going for alms at Pike Place Market



The Clear Mountain community meets in a school auditorium for weekly meditations

The aim of Clear Mountain Monastery is the founding of a Buddhist community. In Theravāda Buddhism and within the Early Buddhist Texts, the forest tradition represents a return to the simple way of life taught by the Buddha. Monastics aspire to live as the early disciples did: dwelling in the forest, studying the teachings, and devoting themselves to meditation. Monks, nuns, and laity exist in a relationship of mutual generosity, in which they support one another on the Buddha's path towards complete liberation of the heart — *Nibbāna*.

Clear Mountain's first monastic, Ajahn Nisabho, currently lives on the quiet periphery of Seattle, going for alms most mornings at the Pike Place Market. On Saturday mornings, the Clear Mountain community gathers at Amistad School's Skinner Auditorium by St. Mark's Cathedral for meditation and a teaching. Another member of the Clear Mountain community, Ajahn Kovilo, contributes remotely for the time being and stays in the Seattle area during the winter and summer. The monastics also conduct regular teachings and meditation sessions online. Since it was founded two years ago, this new community has become a refuge for people seeking to follow the Buddha's path.

When property is eventually found, Clear Mountain hopes to create a home for monastics that also supports a range of activities common to Theravāda Buddhism – pujas (chanting and meditation), sutta and Pali study, online and public teachings, meal offerings, and observance of the Buddhist holy days. Additionally, the community aspires to serve as a retreat where laypeople can come practice for short or long periods, all lodging and teaching offered freely in the spirit of Dhamma.



Learn more about Clear Mountain at
www.ClearMountainMonastery.org



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"Finding a Home" Robe Offering Ceremony: Supporting Clear Mountain

Sat. June 17, 9:30am - 2pm,

St. Mark's Cathedral's Bloedel Hall (1245 10th Ave E, through back of Cathedral)
or Join Us on Zoom!

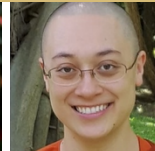
9.30 am: Meditation | 10 am: Dhamma Talk by Luang Por Pasanno

10.45 am: Shared Meal | 12.30 pm: Robe Offering Ceremony

1:15 pm: Dhamma Talk by Ayyā Anandabodhi | 2 pm: Closing



Luang Por Pasanno | Ayyā Anandabodhi
Ayyā Santussikā | Ayyā Cittānandā



Join Clear Mountain in celebrating the past two years of a growing community, gathering support for the next phase of the monastery, and welcoming Luang Por Pasanno, founder of Abhayagiri Buddhist monastery, Ayyā Ānandabodhi, founder of Āloka Vihāra Forest Monastery, along with Ayyā Santussikā & Ayyā Cittānandā, founders of Karuna Buddhist Vihara. The event, also taking place on Zoom, will feature meditation, teachings, a potluck meal, and a traditional robe offering. We hope to see you there!

Robe Offering Ceremonies (or ผ้าป่า "Pah Bah" in Thai) are a beautiful and significant way to financially help the monastics meet their material needs and/or fund special projects for Clear Mountain. Support gathered at this year's ceremony, "Finding a Home", will go towards Clear Mountain's Land and Building fund, and support the monastery's future development. Those who wish to contribute to Clear Mountain's future home by donating to the Land & Building Fund may:

- 1) Donate online at www.friendsofclearmountain.org
- 2) Send a check made out to "Friends of Clear Mountain" to Friends of Clear Mountain
PO BOX 21283
Seattle, WA 98111
(Please include your email so we can send you a receipt)
- 3) Donate via Zelle by entering "Friends of Clear Mountain" as the recipient along with the email, dana@friendsofclearmountain.org.

Whichever donation method you use, please try to note that the donation is made for the Robe Offering Ceremony. Please email dana@friendsofclearmountain.org about wire or money transfers, or with general inquiries. Friends of Clear Mountain is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. Donations are tax-deductible per US IRS code. Sadhu!