
PROCLAMATION: Buddhist Culture Day - May 3, 2026

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2026年4月11日 晚上7:00

收件者: 蓮壇Lotus Temple <lotustemple@baigong.international>

副本: Bai Gong International Buddhist Society百供世界佛教協會 <baigong2006@gmail.com>, "AG LSB BC Proclamations AG:EX" <BCProclamations@gov.bc.ca>

Dear Lance Huang,

Our office is pleased to inform you that May 3, 2026, has been proclaimed Buddhist Culture Day in British Columbia.

Please find the proclamation attached; it is also [available online](#). A physical copy is in the mail on its way to you in Richmond.

Regards,

BC Proclamations Program

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From: AG LSB BC Proclamations AG:EX <BCProclamations@gov.bc.ca>**Sent:** Tuesday, February 10, 2026 5:08 PM**To:** 蓮壇Lotus Temple <lotustemple@baigong.international>**Cc:** Bai Gong International Buddhist Society百供世界佛教協會 <baigong2006@gmail.com>; AG LSB BC Proclamations AG:EX <BCProclamations@gov.bc.ca>**Subject:** REQUEST: Buddhist Culture Day - May 3, 2026 [early PDF April 3 + mail before May 3]

Dear Lance Huang,

Thank you for clarifying your early delivery request of a PDF by or before April 3 and a physical proclamation before May 3.

This is an update on your request status. Your request has been through an initial review by the BC Proclamations office and is now with the ministry responsible for review.

The ministry may contact you directly if they have any questions. If approved by the ministry, the request will then be scheduled by our office for final reviews by both the Attorney General and Lieutenant Governor.

Please note that requests for proclamations may be approved, revised or declined at any stage of review. We will be in touch with updates on your request status.

Please don't hesitate to email us at BCProclamations@gov.bc.ca in the meantime with any questions or to check in on your request status. More information is also available [online](#).

Regards,

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From: 蓮壇Lotus Temple <lotustemple@baigong.international>

Sent: Friday, January 9, 2026 10:00 PM

To: AG LSB BC Proclamations AG:EX <BCProclamations@gov.bc.ca>

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Subject: Re: REQUEST: Buddhist Culture Day - May 3, 2026 [early delivery TBD]

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your quick reply!

Yes, we would like to request for early delivery! Regarding the target date, we prefer Apr 3 or earlier for the PDF delivery if possible, so that people have more time to prepare and celebrate if they like. Regarding delivering the physical copy to our address, yes, that would be fantastic! If it could be delivered before May 3, 2026, that would be great!

Thank you so much for your attention and help on this matter!

Regards,

Lance

AG LSB BC Proclamations AG:EX <BCProclamations@gov.bc.ca> 於 2026年1月8日週四 下午3:06寫道：

Dear Lance Huang,

Happy New Year, and thank you very much for this early submission for a May 3rd request. This request has been received and is in the queue to begin processing in February, along with other May requests.

Please let us know if you would also like to make a [special request for early delivery](#) of the proclamation before May 3, 2026, assuming it is approved:

1. What is your **target date** for early delivery of a PDF (by email)?
2. Do you also want a physical copy mailed to you at the address below? What is your **target date** for early delivery of the physical proclamation? (Mailing times cannot be guaranteed.)

Please let us know at your earliest convenience.

Regards,

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From: 蓮壇Lotus Temple <lotustemple@baigong.international>
Sent: Sunday, January 4, 2026 3:21 PM
To: AG LSB BC Proclamations AG:EX <BCProclamations@gov.bc.ca>
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Subject: Request Proclamation: BC Buddhist Culture Day - May 3, 2026

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Happy New Year!

We are here submitting a request to proclamation for the BC Buddhist Culture Day for this year. Could you please kindly review and approve?

Thank you very much!

Regards,

Lance Huang on behave of Bai Gong International Buddhist Society

==== Below are the details ====

Contact information

Master Diana Ko

Bai Gong International Buddhist Society

Title and date(s)

BC Buddhist Culture Day

First Sunday of May, 2026-05-03

Draft proclamation

WHEREAS the diverse cultural, ethnic, spiritual and religious heritage of British Columbians is a fundamental characteristic of British Columbian society and contributes greatly to life in this province, and

WHEREAS Buddhism is a transformative teaching that encompasses various systems of philosophy (prajna), meditation (samadhi) and ethics (sila), and

WHEREAS Buddhism has been practiced for over a century in British Columbia by people of diverse heritages, and

WHEREAS May 1, 2026, marks Vesak Day, which is recognized internationally by the United Nations to acknowledge the contributions of Buddhism to humanity and to celebrate Buddhism's message of compassion, peace and goodwill, and

WHEREAS Buddhist British Columbians contribute in many ways to the prosperity and cultural diversity of British Columbia; NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that May 3, 2026, shall be known as

"BC Buddhist Culture Day"

Sources for data, statistics or claims (if any)



Canada
Province of British Columbia

A Proclamation

CHARLES THE THIRD, by the Grace of God, King of Canada
and His other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth

To all to whom these presents shall come – Greeting

WHEREAS British Columbia is a culturally, ethnically, spiritually and religiously diverse province comprising many peoples and communities, and

WHEREAS Buddhism is a transformative teaching that encompasses various systems of philosophy (prajna), meditation (samadhi) and ethics (sila), and

WHEREAS Buddhism has been practised for over a century in British Columbia by people of diverse heritages, and, in 2021, the population of British Columbia included 83 860 people who identify as Buddhist, and

WHEREAS May 12, 2025, marks Vesak Day, which is recognized internationally by the United Nations to acknowledge the contributions of Buddhism to humanity and to celebrate Buddhism's message of compassion, peace and goodwill, and

WHEREAS Buddhist Culture Day is an opportunity to recognize and celebrate the many ways Buddhist people in British Columbia contribute to the prosperity, vibrancy and cultural diversity of the province;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that May 4, 2025, shall be known as

"Buddhist Culture Day"

in the Province of British Columbia.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our Province of British Columbia to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS, The Honourable Wendy Coechia, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our Province, this tenth day of April, two thousand twenty-five and in the third year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.

Attorney General and Deputy Premier

Lieutenant Governor

<https://www.bclaws.gov.bc.ca/civix/document/id/proclamations/proclamations/BuddhistCultureDay2025>



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2026年4月15日 凌晨12:24

Thank you so much!

Regards,
Xianwu (Lance)

On Apr 11, 2026, at 7:00 PM, AG LSB BC Proclamations AG:EX <BCProclamations@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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