

Stillpoint presents:

Dr. Sonam Thakchoe

When: 3rd Friday of June, August,
Sept, Oct, Nov, Dec 2013

Time: 6.30pm to 8.30pm

Where: **Cygnets Supper Room**
(upstairs Cygnets town hall) 14 Mary
St Cygnets

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facility costs etc.**

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Topics for 2013:

Fri June 21:

The Buddha's Charter of Free
Enquiry

Fri Aug 16:

The Ways of Mindful Living

Fri Sept 20:

Egoism and Self-esteem

Fri Oct 18: Love and Attachments

Fri Nov 15: Anger and Patience

Fri Dec 20: Courage and Fear



Dr Sonam Thakchoe is the key person in the UTAS School of Philosophy responsible for teaching and research activities in the areas of the Asian philosophy, with particular focus in Buddhist philosophy. One component of Asian Philosophy program in the school is the Tasmanian Buddhist Studies in India Exchange Program (TBSIEP) with Central University of Tibetan Studies (CUTS), India. Under this program every summer, Dr Thakchoe takes 15 students from UTAS to India at CUTS to undertake a three-week intensive program on Indo-Tibetan Philosophy, History and Culture. So far over 200 UTAS students have participated and took advantage of this distinctive program.

Dr. Thakchoe is also a research academic and has published 2 books (a monograph titled: *Debating the Middle Way Tsongkhapa and Gorampa on the Two Truths* 2007; and a polygraph, multiple authored, titled: *Moonshadows: Conventional Truth in Buddhist Philosophy* 2011 was published by Oxford University Press). His publications list also includes half dozens of researched articles in peer reviewed journals, and invited entries in Stanford Philosophy Encyclopedia.

Dr. Thakchoe is also involved with wide range of ecumenical, and socially engaging services with the aims of strengthening the Tasmanian Buddhist Studies in India Exchange Program, and fostering a wider appreciation of Asian philosophy within the Tasmanian community through the school visits, public talks, and leading discussion/reading groups.

Dr. Thakchoe is also passionate about forging a closer connection between mindfulness-meditation, phenomenology and philosophy.