# "NeuroDharma"

BUDDHIST SCIENCE & PSYCHOTHERAPY



### **5th ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

13-14 August 2011 NSW State Library

with

Neuropsychologist Dr Rick Hanson

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#### **CONFERENCE PROGRAM**

Saturday - 8:30am – 5:00pm Sunday - 9:00am – 5:00pm

#### **Talks by Dr RICK HANSON**

Exploring Buddhist Themes in the Brain Steadying the Mind Taking Life Less Personally

#### Talks by VENERABLE AJAHN BRAHM

Buddha's Spiritual & Scientific Cessation of Suffering Mindfulness Meditations for Therapists

#### Talks by DR. ENG-KONG TAN

What is an Integrated Buddhist Psychotherapy? A Buddhist Psychotherapy Session

#### **PANEL DISCUSSIONS**

The Buddha, the Scientist & the Therapist Buddhist Science & Therapeutic Action

The registration fee includes refreshments and conference documents. The fee does not include lunch on either day or hotel accommodation.

#### **Cancellation/Refund Policy**

50% of fees paid are refundable for cancellation notice received prior to 1st August 2011. After 1st August no refund entitlement, however substitute delegates will be accepted.

#### VENUE

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### **Conference Registration Form**

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A 2 day conference - Members	13-14 August	\$200	\$225
B 2 day conference – Non Members	13-14 August	\$250	\$275

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Dr. Rick Hanson, Ph.D

is a neuropsychologist, Affiliate Faculty of the Greater Good Science Center of the University of California at Berkeley, and founder of the Wellspring Institute for Neuroscience and Contemplative Wisdom.

A summa cum laude graduate of UCLA, he's been invited to lecture at Oxford, UC Berkeley, Stanford, and Harvard. Rick's most recent book is Buddha's Brain: The Practical Neuroscience of Happiness, Love, and Wisdom which has been praised by numerous scholars, therapists, and teachers and is being published in eighteen languages besides English. An authority on self-directed neuroplasticity, he edits the Wise Brain Bulletin, and his articles have appeared in Tricycle Magazine, Insight Journal, and Inquiring Mind.

His Your Wise Brain blog is on Huffington Post, Psychology Today, and other major websites, and he also has a weekly e-newsletter, *Just One Thing*. His first book was *Mother Nurture: A Mother's Guide to Health in Body, Mind, and Intimate Relationships* (Penguin, 2002).

He began meditating in 1974, trained in several traditions, and leads a weekly meditation gathering in San Rafael, CA.



#### Venerable Ajahn Brahm

was born in London in 1951. He regarded himself as a Buddhist at the age of 17 through his reading of Buddhist books while still at school. His interest in Buddhism and meditation flourished while studying Theoretical Physics at Cambridge University. After completing his degree and teaching for a year, he travelled to Thailand to become a monk. He was ordained in Bangkok at the age of 23 by the Abbot of Wat Saket. Subsequently, he spent 9 years studying and training in the forest meditation tradition of the revered Venerable Ajahn Chah. Ajahn Brahm was instrumental in the first ordination of women as fully-fledged Buddhist nuns, bhikkhunis, within the Theravada forest meditation tradition. The ordination was held at Bodhinyana Monastery (Perth), of which Ajahn Brahm is Abbot, on the 22nd of October 2009. A widely travelled speaker, Ajahn Brahm conducts meditation reatreats frequently both in Australia and overseas. He is the author of 'Mindfulness, Bliss and Beyond' and 'Opening the Door of Your Heart'.



**Dr. Eng-Kong Tan** 

is a medical doctor, consultant psychiatrist and analytic psychotherapist in private practice, providing individual and couples therapy, meditation, personal development and analytic groups. He is Founder and Chairman of Metta Clinic, a group psychiatric and psychotherapy clinic in Sydney. He is a former Chair of the Section of Psychotherapy of the RANZCP and Chairman of Training to the PPAA He is Founder President of AABCAP, a trustee of the University Buddhist Education Foundation (UBEF), and the Director of Training of AABCAP's Buddhism and Psychotherapy Professional Training Course.

In the last three decades, Dr. Tan has presented keynote addresses, seminars and workshops to Buddhist and psychotherapy organisations in Australia and overseas.

With Neuropsychologist

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