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*A month-long gathering to
develop a collective that can use
technology for the benefit of all beings.*

— Aug 12 - Sept 9 —

For millennia, monastic communities have been freeing people from misaligned intelligences. Now is the time to scale these methods for the digital age, so we can use technology rather than being used by it.

Please drop in from 6:00-9:30 in the morning and evening for meditation, community meals, and talks and dialogues on artificial intelligence, planetary transformation, and the path to enlightenment.

REACH OUT TO BODHI AT 646.830.2938
TO EXPRESS YOUR INTEREST

2025 Pop-Up Monastery Overview

For more than a decade, MAPLE has been offering world-class Buddhist training in Vermont to develop a collective that resolves the crises of this age.

This summer, the Monastic Academy will be sharing its offerings on the West Coast with month-long residential training centers in Seattle and the Bay Area — two hubs at the forefront of emerging technology.

Head Teacher Soryu Forall and MAPLE trainees will be running these “pop-up monasteries” consisting of meditation and chanting, community meals and co-working, and talks and discussions at the nexus of spiritual practice, artificial intelligence, and planetary transformation. To sense into our teachings ahead of the events, check out buddhismforai.sutra.co

The Bay Area pop-up will run from August 12-September 9. Scroll below or [open the shared calendar](#) to learn more about the daily schedule and venue logistics.

All activities in the daily schedule are open to the public on a drop-in basis, though we'd love to know if you plan on attending events by reaching out to Bodhi at 646.830.2938.

A Day-in-the-Life at MAPLE Bay Area

Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat, Sun

930 Ashbury St, San Francisco, CA 94117

6:00 AM	Buddhist Chanting*
6:30 AM	Meditation
7:00 AM	Meditation / Personal Instruction
7:45 AM	Movement
8:00 AM	Breakfast & Conversation
9:30 AM	Co-Working
1:00 PM	Self-Serve Lunch
2:00 PM	Co-Working / Self-Practice / Exercise
5:30 PM	Mix and Mingle
6:00 PM	Dinner and Dialogue
7:00 PM	Talk and Q&A
8:00 PM	Meditation / Personal Instruction
9:15 PM	Buddhist Chanting

**All activities are held on a drop-in basis. Come for a talk, meal, or meditation, or immerse yourself for days or weeks at a time. There is no schedule on Mondays.*

Schedule is subject to change. [View the complete calendar here.](#)

Weekend Meditation Intensive

930 Ashbury St, San Francisco, CA 94117

From Aug 28 - Sept 1, we will facilitate a weekend meditation intensive. This is an excellent opportunity to advance your spiritual practice with Head Teacher Soryu Forall and dedicated group of practitioners.

You can join as a full participant from Thursday night through Monday while staying at our house. Or you can join for certain morning and evening blocks as a drop-in guest.

Reach out to Bodhi at 646.830.2938 if you wish to apply for this intensive.

You can review the tentative schedule for
the awakening weekend here.

The Venue: A Beautiful Home in Ashbury Heights, San Francisco

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The pop-up will be held at an airbnb-turned-monastery in Ashbury Heights. With 5 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, and 2 outdoor areas, this home has space for drop-in visitors at our daily events and overnight guests who wish to train, study, and co-work with us.

Message Bodhi at 646.830.2938 to express your interest.

Maintaining a Fragrance-Free Space

To care for those with severe allergies, please refrain from using products containing the words "fragrance" or "parfum" in the ingredients as far in advance as possible leading up to your visit.

Thank you for caring for our community in this way and we hope to see you soon.

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Buddhism for AI Online Course

To learn more about our teachings, check out our free online course at buddhismforai.sutra.co

Buddhism for AI is an interdisciplinary course on the planetary crisis, the causes of that crisis, and the entities, ideologies, and technologies coordinating our civilization.

It looks at how monasteries offer the path out of suffering and how MAPLE is adapting this institution to resolve the crises of the digital age.

CURRICULUM

Module 1: The Planetary Crisis & Perspectives on AI

Module 2 How Religion Runs the World & The Power of Views

Module 3: A Vision for Planetary-Scale Wisdom & Compassion

Module 4: The Four AIs of Life As We Know It

Module 5: A Buddhist Framework for Breaking the Chain of Suffering

Module 6: Are AIs Conscious?