

## 楚石梵琦禪師《西齋淨土詩》(Poems No.15 - 16)

## Chan Master Chushi Fanqi's Pure Land Poems of the West Studio (continued)

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佛光來照紫金身。 更聞妙法除心垢。

盡救迷情出苦輪。

舉步徧游塵點國。

利生終滿涅槃因。

娑婆界上光陰短。

極樂知經幾劫春。

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滿目池台錦繡橫。 My eyes are filled with the pervasive splendor of ponds and daises; 祥光瑞靄滅還生。 Propitious lights and auspicious mists cyclically fade and reappear.

了無酒色離煩惱。 Devoid of wine and lust, one is apart from vexing afflictions;

雖有天魔絕鬥爭。 Present are heavenly demons, yet there is no conflict and contention.

渴飮醴泉多舞鳳。 At sweet springs, one quenches thirst among dancing phoenixes;

高棲璚樹足流鶯。 On jade trees, one dwells high up amidst flitting orioles.

待吾托質蓮華後。 Wait till my nature settles in a lotus blossom, 卻向琉璃地上行。 Again shall I stroll on the lapis lazuli ground!

Once the pond lotuses open to reveal the persons reborn, 池上蕅華華上人。

The Buddha's light shines on their purple-golden bodies.

Hearing the wonderful Dharma eradicates their mental defilements;

Rescuing all deluded beings from the wheel of suffering is their vow. Stepping out, they travel to lands everywhere as many as dust motes;

Benefitting sentient beings, they ultimately perfect the causes for Nirvana.

In the Saha world, life is short and time fleeting;

In Ultimate Bliss, countless kalpas pass in perpetual spring.

