

Gold Coast Dharma Realm's Fourfold Assembly Participates in City-Hosted Vigil for the Bondi Tragedy

澳大利亞金岸法界四眾弟子參加市政府邦迪事件 祈福守夜活動

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Editor's Note: A mass shooting occurred on Bondi Beach, Sydney, Australia on December 14, 2025, resulting in sixteen deaths and approximately forty-three injuries. Police confirmed it as a terrorist attack, the deadliest terrorist attack in Australian history.

編按：澳洲悉尼邦迪海灘於2025年12月14日發生大規模槍擊事件，造成16人死亡、約43人受傷。警方確認為恐怖攻擊事件，這是澳洲史上最致命的恐怖攻擊事件。

On December 22, 2025, a vigil for the Bondi tragedy was hosted by the City of Gold Coast at the HOTA Centre. The Gold Coast Dharma Realm was invited to participate, and under the leadership of Reverend Heng Sure, joined representatives from Christian, Jewish, Islamic, and other faith communities, as well as members of the wider public, in mourning the innocent victims and expressing deep condolences.

The atmosphere of the vigil was solemn and dignified. Participants stood in silent prayer, responding to the social trauma with peace, care, and unity.

During the ceremony, religious leaders from various traditions

2025年12月22日，由黃金海岸市政府主辦的「悉尼邦迪事件祈福守夜活動」於HOTA藝文中心舉行。澳大利亞金岸法界應邀參加，在恒實法師帶領下，與基督教、猶太教、伊斯蘭教等多個宗教團體及社會各界人士共同悼念邦迪海灘槍擊無辜遇難者，表達深切哀思。

守夜活動現場氣氛莊嚴肅穆，與會者靜默祈願，以和平、

delivered reflections from the perspectives of their respective faiths, expressing contemplation on the act of violence and leading the public in shared prayers and blessings. Among them, Reverend Heng Sure spoke on behalf of the Buddhist community, offering brief remarks. He emphasized the Buddhist principle of the Great Compassion of Oneness, affirming the equality and interconnectedness of all beings. He called upon the community to unite with one heart, to counter violence and fear with wisdom and compassion, to dissolve hatred through inner awareness, and to soothe social suffering through collective wholesome intention.

Following his remarks, Reverend Heng Sure led the assembly in prayer and a dedication of merit, offering blessings for the departed to rest in peace, for their families to receive comfort, and for society to return to stability, with lasting peace in the world.

This prayer vigil reflected the spirit of cooperation, mutual respect, and shared responsibility among multiple faiths on the Gold Coast in response to a major public tragedy, and also highlighted the positive role of the Buddhist community in public care and social healing. ❀

關懷與團結，回應社會創傷。

儀式中，多位宗教領袖分別致詞，從各自信仰的角度，表達對暴力事件的反思，並帶領大眾共同祈禱與祝願。其中，恒實法師代表佛教團體發表簡短致詞。法師指出，佛教強調同體大悲的精神——眾生平等，呼籲大眾團結一心，以智慧與慈悲對治暴力與恐懼，以內心的覺照化解仇恨，以集體的善念撫慰社會的傷痛。

恒實法師隨後帶領現場大眾共同祈禱，並將功德回向予遇難者及其家屬，祈願亡者得安息，生者得安慰，社會重歸安定，世界長久和平。

此次祈福守夜活動，體現了黃金海岸社會在面對重大公共事件時，多宗教攜手、彼此尊重、共同承擔的精神，也彰顯了佛教界在公共關懷與社會療癒中的積極角色。❀

Dharma Realm Buddhist University Autumn 2025 CEI on Avataṃsaka Syllabary

法大2025年秋季班華嚴四十二字母實修週

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Every semester, DRBU faculty and staff, students pause classes and regular school activities to participate in a four-days of practice retreat. It is a combination of textual study and practice, combining different parts together, for example, lectures, meditation, chanting, and discussion. This CEI's main theme was called, "Turn inward, tune in: from the Avataṃsaka Syllabary to Prajna wisdom."

The Avataṃsaka Syllabary is a practice mentioned in Chapter 39 of the *Avataṃsaka Sūtra* (Roll 76), Entering the Dharma Realm. When the youth Sudhana met one of his teachers, the youth "Mastering All Arts" (Skt. Silpābhijña), he was taught

每學期，法界佛教大學的全體師生都會暫停日常課程與學務，參與為期四日的實修禪修。這場名為「共同教育體驗」的活動，融合經教研讀與實踐修行，結合講座、靜坐、誦持、討論等多種形式。本學期的主題定為「向內觀照·深度契入——從《華嚴字母》到般若智慧」。

《華嚴字母》出自《華嚴經·入法界品》第三十九（卷76），記載善財童子參訪善知眾藝童子時，所受教導的修行法門。四十二個字母，每一字皆是通往般若智慧的門徑。

此活動屬於課程必要環節，所有學生均需參與，而學員信仰背景多元。若有其他宗