

On April 6th, 2017, Triratna will be 50 years old! We'd very much like you and your Triratna Centre, Sangha or Group, world-wide, to be represented in the celebrations:

Here is an invitation

to be creative with the number '50' and create something that represents this number in shape of photos or even better a short video clip, for use in video material to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Triratna Buddhist Community in April 2017!

What do we need?

"Number 50" images, songs, sounds or music, and/or a 20- 60 second video of you and members of your Triratna Centre, Sangha of Group expressing our 50th anniversary in some way:

It could be you saying in one word what the Triratna community means to you. It could be a photo of the number 50 laid out in flower petals on your shrine with a few members of your sangha – it could go all the way to an aerial shot of your sangha spelling out the number 50 with sangha members – it could be a short video of your sangha preparing to create your project - some photos of the final work - or of a song composed for the 50th - or There is no limit to your imagination! As long it contains the number 50 and something specific to Triratna, whether it is people, or a kesa, or the image of the Three Jewels, or the name of your Centre, etc.

We'd like all Triratna Centres represented!

<u>AND:</u> In addition to (i.e. not instead of) your Centres or Groups, you may want to ask (please only <u>responsible!</u>) creative/media savvy individuals, mitra study or 'Training for Ordination' Groups, or chapters, to ALSO send in images or video clips to express their gratitude or simply to wish us all a Happy 50th Birthday.

How to do it?

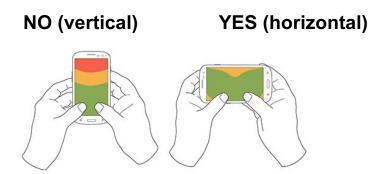
STEPS:

1 Have an idea

You could think of how could you represent your sangha graphically. If you're from Mexico, for example, think of murals, flowers, food, colours typically from Mexico. From India, maybe a rangoli. At a Retreat Centre? Meditation cushions? A '50' made of your tea or spreads selection? Australia... one of kangaroos? Don't let these suggestions limit your creativity, in fact have more than one idea! Manifest as many ideas as you possibly can.

2 Bring your sangha together

3 Take a picture or shoot a video: Just get the best quality camera around you, a mobile phone camera is fine. Just remember to do it **HORIZONTALLY**



At its simplest you can just send a photo of the final image – or make a short video of it; you could also play around and send us a TIMELAPSE of the making of your project; or some videos of your sangha coming together and making it. Ideally images that don't need further editing and short clips that tell a story.

What to do with it when you've done it:

- You can send it, or a dropbox link, to Sanghadhara at Clearvision collaborate@clearvisiontrust.org
- You can upload it to your Facebook page, Instagram, Tumblr, Twitter, or YouTube account: JUST MAKE SURE YOU ADD THE HASHTAG #triratna50 in the textbox and with 'Public' settings so that your post can be found.

Here is an example of how to do it on e.g. facebook:



These images and short videos will be posted on to The Buddhist Centre Online, and Clear Vision also plan to use some of them for a short video for the occasion.

When by?

You can start uploading these images straight away. We'd love to see a steady build up over the weeks before the 6 April 2017 with more and more people uploading their pictures of videos.

Clear Vision and The Buddhist Centre Online team will be able to find your contributions from all the social platforms mentioned (as long as you add the hashtag #triratna 50! And it is 'public') and will use some of them to create mini films and post onto other spaces.

For more info contact:

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support@thebuddhistcentre.com for Triratna social media questions