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MEDIA RELEASE

Gyuto Monks at the Botanic Gardens

The Australian National Botanic Gardens is proud to present the only Canberra appearance of the Gyuto Monks of Tibet, today Tuesday 27 November, at midday.

The group of six monks will present a two hour program in the beautiful surroundings of the Eucalypt Lawn. They will chant at midday, followed by a public talk on the topic 'This Precious Human Life' at 12.30pm. The performance will conclude with another chanting session at 1.30pm.

Dressed in high yellow hats and rich burgundy robes and brocade capes, the Gyuto Monks combine harmonic chanting with the haunting sounds of Tibetan long horns, elephant drums and clashing cymbala.

Known throughout the world for their unique deep overtone chanting, the Gyuto Monks have visited Australia annually since 1994 to spread awareness of Tibetan culture and their philosophy of peace.

The monks live as refugees in their monastery in India, and are seen as ambassadors of a culture of kindness and compassion.

Their Canberra appearance will be followed by a five-day program of appearances at venues on the NSW south coast, from 28 November until 2 December.

Entry to the event is by gold coin donation.



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