

## Book recommendations

*Women of Wisdom*, by Lama Tsultrim Allione

*Radical Dharma*, by Rev angel Kyoto williams, Lama Rod Owens,

*Love and Rage*, by Lama Rod Owens

## Quotes

"In phenomenal experience, whether pleasure or pain, birth or death, sanity or insanity, good or bad, it is necessary to have a basic ground. This basic ground is known in Buddhist literature as the mother principle. Prajnaparamita (the perfection of wisdom) is called the mother-consort of all the Buddhas.... As a principle of cosmic structure, the all-accommodating basic ground is neither male nor female. One might call it hermaphroditic, but due to its quality of fertility or potentiality, it is regarded as feminine."

-Chogyam Trungpa, Mairtreya IV, pp. 23-4

"The source of dharmas arises out of emptiness and has three characteristics: it is unborn, non-dwelling, and unceasing. Essentially it is absolute space with a boundary or frame. This represents the co-emergent quality of wisdom and confusion arising from the emptiness of space. The source of dharmas is sometimes referred to as a channel for shunyata or as the cosmic cervix... the shape of the triangle - sharp at the bottom and wide at the top - signifies that every aspect of space can be accommodate at once, microcosm and macrocosm, the most minute situations as well as the most vast."

"Sentient beings from beginningless time  
break their vessels, their lives ended,  
but why do they return home?  
today I have broken my vessel  
but abandoning my samsara home  
I go on to pure pleasure.  
The guru is truly wonderful!  
If you desire happiness, rely on him"

"When my mind was enshrouded in ignorance  
Critical thought attended every sound;  
When reality was revealed as my own nature  
The nature of whatever appeared was reality itself."

~Masters of Mahamudra ("The Yogini Siddha Manibhadra")

## 108 Praises of Arya Tara

"O mother of the world, perfect in understanding,  
Endowed with great compassion,  
You arose for the world's liberation.

You hold a blue lotus in your hand and say, "Fear not!  
I will protect all beings! I will ferry all beings  
Across the terrifying ocean of existence!"

O Tara, you are bright, with beautiful eyes, joy of starlight,  
Full of care for all beings, savior of all beings;  
Look down, gaze on all beings as your children.

Your body is emerald green, blazing with splendor, invincible.  
If one simply remembers your name, you come forth to save from any terror.  
O mother, savior, protector, remover of every obstacle,  
Homage to you!