# (For Leaders and Members)

# **Upcoming Organisational Matters and Activities**

# A) Upcoming Activities (August – October)

### 1. 3rd SGI Online Lecture

• Theme: "The Brilliant Path of Worldwide Kosen-rufu: Learning from The New Human Revolution".

• Duration: 75 minutes

• Venue: Various centres

• Participation: For All Members

• Platform: Held at RHQ level – one session each in English & Mandarin

 More details would be shared by chapter and above leaders at the August 2022 discussion meetings.

## Let's really encourage one another to attend the lecture!

• Schedule at Various Centres:

Date		3 Sep (Sat)	4 Sep (Sun)	4 Sep (Sun)	10 Sep (Sat)	11 Sep (Sun)	11 Sep (Sun)				
Time		8pm	10am	2pm	8pm	10am	2pm				
Centre	VDS Event	RHQ & Language									
TSC MTA	TSC MTA No		RHQ 1 (Eng)	RHQ 6 (Man)		RHQ 5 (Man)	RHQ 2 (Eng)				
HQ ICA	Q ICA Yes		RHQ 2 (Man)	RHQ 5 (Eng)	RHQ 1 (Man)	RHQ 6 (Eng)	RHQ 9 (Man)				
SPC HIS No		RHQ 3 (Man)	RHQ 8 (Eng)			RHQ 3 (Eng)	RHQ 8 (Man)				
SJSC GRA Yes			RHQ 7 (Man)		RHQ 7 (Eng)						
SCC IPA No				RHQ 4 (Eng)		RHQ 4 (Man)					

<sup>\*</sup>Note: For Vaccination Differentiated Safe Management Measures (VDS) Events, participants must show proof of vaccination status i.e. please bring along TT App or TT Token to event.

### 2. Successors Group Meetings

 The following Successors Group Meetings will be taking place at SGS centres upcoming:

### Student Division Youth Friendship for Peace Symposium

- Held across August and September 2022
- By individual institution (12 sessions in all)
- Come and learn about SGI President Ikeda's Peace Proposal 2022!

## o Future Division Meetings

- Held in September 2022
- By individual region (9 sessions in all)
- Exact timings and venues of the above are to be advised by each respective division once confirmed.

### 3. 8th Annual Ikeda Peace and Harmony Lecture

• Speaker: Mr George Yeo

• Date: 23 September 2022 (Fri)

• Time: 8 PM

• Venue: Singapore Management University

• More details will be released in due course.

### 4. Member Contribution Fund and Subscription 2022

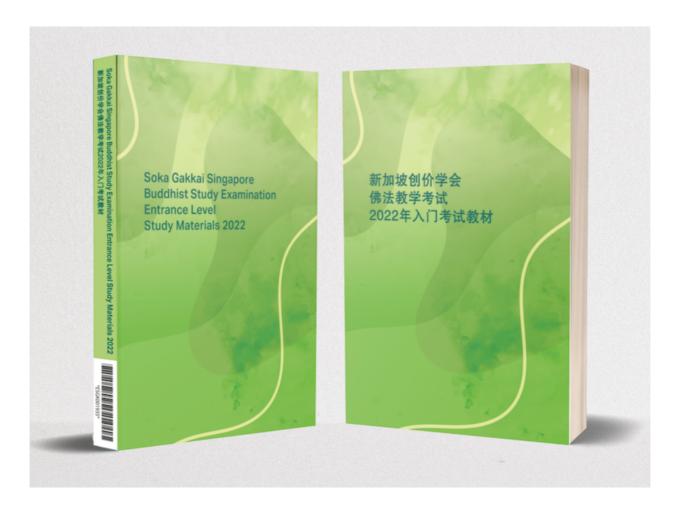
• Kindly refer to **Annex 1** for the details.

## 5. Zone General Meeting

- Emerging stronger from the recent "YES! Let's BBB!" July Zone Youth Gatherings, let's continue to create *Dynamic Progress* each day and come celebrate a culmination of victories in this Year of Youth and Dynamic Progress at the Zone General Meeting this October!
- Participation: For All (New Friends are most welcome!)
- Dates: 15, 16, 22, 23, 24, 29 and 30 October 2022
- More details will be shared by each respective zone.
- Kindly refer to **Annex 2** for the schedule.
- \*Vaccination Differentiated Safe Management Measures (VDS) apply to Zone
  General Meetings conducted at SGS HQ & Senja Soka Centre, i.e. participants
  must show proof of vaccination status i.e. please bring along TT App or TT Token
  to event.

## **B)** Members Services

## SGS Buddhist Study Examination – Entrance Level Study Materials 2022



- Due to overwhelming response, the study materials for the SGS Buddhist Study Examination Entrance Level this year (as shown above) is now out of stock.
- There would be no re-print for the above materials.
- For candidates taking the Study Examination this year and have yet purchased the Study Materials, below are alternative sources to acquire the study materials found in the booklet.
  - For "The Basics of Nichiren Buddhism for the New Era of Worldwide
     Kosen-rufu", the materials can be found on the Soka Global Website. Simply
     click the following link: <a href="https://bit.ly/3Qu2V20">https://bit.ly/3Qu2V20</a>
  - For the Discussion Meeting Gosho Materials, they can be found in the March,
     April & May 2022 issues of the Creative Life.

# C) Recruitment

## **Young Lion Group**



### Note:

- Annex 1: Member Contribution Fund and Subscription 2022
- Annex 2: Zone General Meeting Schedule
- The Hall of Great Vow remains closed till further notice.

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# **Annex 1 (For Leaders and Members)**

# Member Contribution Fund and Subscription Month (October 2022)

# **Grateful Hearts, Joyful Contributions**

The upcoming Member Contribution Fund season is one of the greatest opportunities for us to accumulate immeasurable good fortune in our lives by expressing our sincere heart and commitment for the advancement of kosen-rufu. President Ikeda shares about the genuine spirit of sincere offering in the following manner:

In one of his writings, Nichiren Daishonin relates the story of "The Poor Woman's Lamp" that appears in the Buddhist scriptures.

Many lamps were lit as offerings from the king and by other illustrious and wealthy people to Shakyamuni, who was residing at Jetavana Monastery. By dawn, however, their lamps had all burned out. Only the single lamp offered by a poor, unknown woman continued burning brightly. It could not be extinguished even by gales like those buffeting Mount Sumeru<sup>1</sup> (cf. WND-1, 1089).

Why was that? Because, explained Shakyamuni, her lamp was offered with the most pure-hearted sincerity and a lofty vow to illuminate the darkness of all living beings.

(Extracted from President Ikeda's Message for the 8th Soka Gakkai Headquarters Leaders Meeting, held on March 6, 2022.)

Let us learn from the pure and sincere spirit of the praiseworthy woman in the above Buddhist story and make a resolve to contribute our little part to this year's Member Contribution Fund, as well as inspire the members around us to do so!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Mount Sumeru: In ancient Indian cosmology, the mountain that stands at the centre of the world.

## (A) Member Contribution Fund and Subscription Month

- Period: 1 to 31 October 2022
- Tagline: "Grateful Hearts, Joyful Contributions"
- Let us all:
  - o Make a personal breakthrough in zaimu this year.
  - o Inspire every youth to make zaimu this year.
- In line with promoting the use of cashless payment, electronic means of donation and subscription are strongly encouraged.
- Please refer to the table in Part (C) of this document for Subscription Fees for SGS Publications in 2023.

# (B) Modes of Donation and Subscription

The	following Electronic Means are Strongly Encouraged	Donation	Subscription							
	SGS Financial Contributions microsite:									
	https://sokasingapore.org/resources/financial-contributions/									
1a	GIRO	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>							
1b	Online Donation and Subscription (E-receipts will be issued)	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>							
1c	PayNow	<b>✓</b>	×							
1d	Internet Banking	<b>✓</b>	×							
1e	Go to the nearest bank	<b>✓</b>	×							
Onl	y when Electronic Means are Impossible	Donation	Subscription							
2	Mail-in Cheque	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>							
3a	Walk-in to SGS Centres	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>							
3b	Self-help Kiosk at SGS Centres	<b>√</b>	×							

## 1. HELP SGS GO GREEN! Online Electronic Modes of Donation / Subscription

### a) GIRO (for both Donation and Subscription)

Application form available at all SGS centres & SGS website
 "Quick Downloads" <a href="https://sokasingapore.org/resources/quick-downloads/">https://sokasingapore.org/resources/quick-downloads/</a>

### b) Online Donation and Subscription (E-receipts will be issued)

- E-Donation <a href="https://sokasingapore.org/sgs-online-donation/">https://sokasingapore.org/sgs-online-donation/</a>
- E-Subscription <a href="https://sokasingapore.org/resources/subscription/">https://sokasingapore.org/resources/subscription/</a>

## c) PayNow (using one's preferred payment app – for Donation only)

QR Code available at SGS centres & SGS website
 https://sokasingapore.org/resources/financial-contributions/paynow/



### d) Internet Banking (for Donation only)

- From any bank to OCBC Bank:
  - Account Name: Soka Gakkai Singapore
  - For Member Contribution Fund: Account No: 501-847081-001
  - For Building Fund: Account No: 548-014331-001
- From any bank to DBS Bank:
  - Account Name: Soka Gakkai Singapore
  - For General Donation: Account No 012-004685-5
- Please indicate donor's name & contact number as the transaction "Reference".

### e) Go to the nearest bank (for Donation only)

- Alternatively, the donor may visit the nearest bank to process one's transactions with reference to the respective banks and account numbers stated above in 1(d) for different types of donation.
- Please indicate donor's name & contact number as the transaction "Reference".

## 2. By Mail-in Cheque

- Donor/ Subscriber Details: on the reverse side of the cheque Full Name,
   Contact No. & Mailing Address
- For Subscribers, please also state your Subscription Type (*Creative Life* and/or *Soka Times*), Subscription Duration (number of months)
- Please mail to SGS:

Soka Gakkai Singapore

10 Tampines Street 81

**Singapore (529014)** 

• Cheque crossed and payable to: Soka Gakkai Singapore

### 3. Walk-in to SGS Centres

- Catered for those who may be unable to donate or subscribe electronically, especially the senior citizens.
  - a) At Front desk of SGS HQ & Senja Soka Centre
    - Cash
    - Cheque
    - NETS
    - Credit Card

## b) Self-Help Kiosk - NETS only

- SGS HQ
- Tampines Soka Centre
- Soka Youth Centre
- Senja Soka Centre
- Soka Culture Centre

### • Contribution Hours

Centre	SGS Headquarters	Senja Soka Centre			
Operating Days	Daily except Saturdays and P.H.	Only Sunday			
Operating Hours	10am – 4pm	10am – 4pm			

# (C) Subscription Fees for SGS Publications in 2023

- Minimum subscription is 6 months.
- Subscription starts the following month after it is made or after expiry month unless otherwise stated.
  - E.g. 1: For a new subscription, if the subscription is made in October 2022, the earliest month to start receiving the publication is November 2022. One may also choose to start from January 2023.
  - o **E.g. 2:** If one's subscription expiry is in February 2023, the renewal will kick in from March 2023, unless otherwise requested.
- Expiry month of one's current subscription is printed on the magazine mailer.

Publication	Frequency	Unit Price 6 months		12 months	Complimentary for Subscribers		
Creative Life	Monthly (Beginning of the month)	S\$5 / month	S\$30	S\$60	Access to E-copy + E-archive 2020 – 2022		
Soka Times	Monthly (Mid-month)	S\$5 / month	S\$30	S\$60	Access to E-copy + E-archive of NHR Resources (Pull-out Section) 2021 – 2022		

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Zone General Meetings			1st Week			2nd Week						3rd Week				
(October 2022) Schedule		15 Oct (Sat) 16 Oct (Sun)		22 Oct (Sat)	Oct (Sat) 23 Oct (Sun)			24 Oct (Mon; P.H.)		29 Oct (Sat) 30 Oct (Sun)		t (Sun)	Total Number of Sessions			
Centre	Level	Description	Size	7.30pm	10am	2pm	7.30pm	10am	2pm	7.30pm	10am	2pm	7.30pm	10am	2pm	
HQ (VDS)	2nd Floor	Ikeda Culture Auditorium	890	Toa Payoh Zone	Hougang Zone	East Coast Zone	Geylang Zone	Seng Kang Zone	Tanah Merah Zone	Whampoa Zone	Paya Lebar Zone	Bishan Zone	Tampines Zone	Ang Mo Kio Zone	Aljunied Zone	12
TSC	2nd Floor	Mentor Auditorium	400			Lavender Zone		Cheng San Zone	Changi Zone				Pasir Ris Zone	Eunos Zone	Bedok Zone	6
SYC	2nd - 4th Floor	L2 Prayer Hall L3 Prayer Hall L4 Prayer Hall	130 130 130										RHQ 8			1
SJSC (VDS)	4th Floor	Hall of Gratitude	550	Thomson Zone		Sembawang Zone	Clementi Zone	Chua Chu Kang Zone	Bugis Zone			City Zone	Bukit Panjang Zone	Delta Zone	Queenstown Zone	9
SCC	3rd Floor	Ikeda Peace Auditorium	450					Hong Kah Zone	Jurong Zone					Chinese Garden Zone	West Coast Zone	4
* Vaccination Differentiated Safe Management Measures (VDS) will apply for sessions targetted at >500 pax		6 sessions			14 sessions 12 sessions							32				