

**The Venerable Kuan Yun, BBS, MH,**  
Honorary fellow

The Venerable Kuan Yun is the current President of the Hong Kong Buddhist Association and the Abbot of Western Monastery. Originally from Liaoning Province in China, he moved to Hong Kong in 1983. In 1986, he was ordained under the guidance of the late Venerable Wing Sing, becoming the 46th lineage holder of the Tiantai school of Chinese Buddhism.

In 2016, he was unanimously elected President of the Hong Kong Bodhi Siksa Society. Over the years, he has founded several institutions, including the Guanyin Lecture Hall, Puxian Hall, the Bodhi Siksa Cultural and Educational Centre, and Hong Kong Tung Lum Pure Land Institute. He also played a key role in establishing the CUHK Centre for Buddhist Studies, restoring the Youshun Temple in Chaoyang, Liaoning, and founding the Yongxing Buddhist Research Centre and Study Institute at Liaoning University. Additionally, he has launched the 'Bodhi Online' platform to provide spiritual counselling and support.

The Venerable Kuan Yun has also been active in public service. He served as a member of the 12th to 14th National Committees of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, and has held roles such as member of the China Committee on Religion and Peace and advisor to the Chinese Foundation for Prevention of STDs and AIDS.

A prolific and influential writer, his works include *The Collection of Causes and Conditions in the World*, *The Ethical Teachings of the Good Life Sutra* and *The Path to a Happy Family*, and *The Buddha's Teachings on the Stars and the Art of Living*.

In recognition of his contributions to charity and humanitarian efforts, the Venerable Kuan Yun was awarded the Outstanding Contribution to Chinese Charity Award and named a Chinese Charity Figure in 2007. In 2023, he

received the Compassion Award from the Hong Kong & Macau Taiwanese Charity Fund. In July 2025, he was awarded the Bronze Bauhinia Star by the Chief Executive of Hong Kong SAR in recognition of his notable contributions to the preaching of Buddhism to the community, as well as development of charitable services and educational works for the betterment of citizens.