



KONA HONGWANJI BUDDHIST TEMPLE

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Time Capsule Project – 125th Anniversary

Dear Members:

This year, Kona Hongwanji Buddhist Temple will celebrate our 125th Anniversary! As part of the 125th Celebration, the Temple is creating a Time Capsule that will be sealed for 50 years; to be reopened at our 175th Anniversary in 2072!

This will be an exciting and fun project to send messages, photos, or other personal items to your future family, friends, and Sangha members! Imagine how interesting and entertaining it would be if you could open a time capsule from fifty years ago? What were the cultural norms like (clothing, hair styles); what did the temple look like; or what did they think Kona would be like today?

In 50 years, **those who open this capsule will glimpse what our lives were like in 2022.** They can see your photos of what your family, homes, and cars looked like; they can read your messages of hope & aspiration; or your future family member could receive a personal keepsake or message from you. **This is a unique and priceless way to interconnect with our Kona community of 2072!**

If you would like to participate and include items for our Time Capsule, please complete the Time Capsule Participation Form and return it to the temple. You could also participate by simply filling out a brief survey/questionnaire (no charge) that will be included in the time capsule. The Form and Survey will be available at the Temple Office and placed on our website (www.konahongwanji.org). The Participation Form and payment will be due by September 1, 2022. The Time Capsule items and/or Survey/Questionnaire will be due by September 30, 2022.

We also plan to have a scroll at the Celebration Event on Sunday, October 16, 2022 for anyone to sign and/or leave a brief message; the scroll will be placed into the Time Capsule.

So start gathering your photos, personal items, newspaper articles, store ads or take out menus with prices, or anything that may be interesting or entertaining to future members! And start thinking of messages of hope and aspiration for the members of 2072! We hope everyone will be able to participate in one way or another!

In Gassho,

Claudia Chang, Chair
125th Anniversary Committee

Linda Nagai
Kyodan President

Rev. Blayne Higa
Resident Minister

Daren Katayama
Time Capsule Committee

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FORMS due September 1, 2022; ITEMS due September 30, 2022

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Name: _____
Last Name First Name

Mailing Address: _____
City State Zip Code

Phone Number: _____
Area Code Phone #

Yes, I would like to participate in the Time Capsule Project.

Small Envelope (#10 size, 4.125 x 9.50 inches).... \$20 x _____ envelope(s) = \$ _____

Large Envelope (9 x 12 inches)..... \$50 x _____ envelope(s) = \$ _____

Cardboard Box (9 x 12 x 2 inches)..... \$125 x _____ box(es) = \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: \$ _____

Checks payable to: **Kona Hongwanji Buddhist Temple**, write “**Time Capsule**” in the memo field

APPLICATION due by September 1, 2022 [Drop off at the Temple Office, or Mail to]

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ITEMS will be due by September 30, 2022 [Drop off at the Temple Office]

GENERAL GUIDANCE

- You will be responsible for the preparation of the items for the time capsule. Please consult knowledgeable sources about the best practices for preserving your items (see “Time Capsule Tips & Ideas” on the backside for general information). Kona Hongwanji does not guarantee or make any warranties about maintaining the condition of your item(s) while it is in the time capsule which will be reopened in 2072. Archival Safe bags and tissue are available at the Temple Office on a first come basis. Amazon.com sells other archival safe products.
- Prohibited Items: food, liquids, explosive or flammable substances, hazardous materials, items that degrade over time and produce chemicals or other substances harmful to the other contents... there may be additional items added to this list.

TIME CAPSULE TIPS & IDEAS

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From the Special Day:

- A local daily newspaper, or national one
- A television guide
- Magazine (e.g. Newsweek, People, Sports Illustrated, etc.)

Throughout the year:

- Newspaper front pages - major headlines
- Sports trading cards (or other collectibles)
- A list of popular expressions (slang)
- A popular toy or doll (Beanie Babies®, etc.)
- Product packaging (empty Coke® can, etc.)
- An extended family tree
- A copy of a future-oriented magazine
- Your favorite magazine
- Items from your job or school
- Year-in-review issues of magazines or Newspapers

- Treasured memories in the past year
- Pricelist of everyday items (groceries, utilities, home & car prices, etc.)

- A receipt from the grocery store
- Utility bills
- Journals you've been keeping
- Currency you don't mind parting with
- List of 'favorites' - songs, places, food, films, celebrities, hobbies, sports teams, fashion. You could include cinema or event tickets and maybe some food wrappers to compare with those of the future
- Menus from your favorite eating places
- Predictions about life in the next 50 or 100

Years - what will Kona look like? What will travel be like? Communication devices?

Messages/Letters to the Future:

- From Mom / Dad; Grandma / Grandpa; Aunts/Uncles; Friends...

Photographs:

- A gas station (including prices)
- The town's skyline and storefronts
- Several cars traveling down the street
- Advertising billboards
- Scenes from your neighborhood
- Movie theater marquee with movies listed

- Anything that you think is likely to change
- Photos of you in your favorite daily clothes
- Photos of your car(s)
- Family photos of life in the current year
- Photos of your home (inside and outside)

Preservation Tips:

- Place all organic (e.g. paper-based items) materials in 100-percent polyethylene bags (see archival supply distributor catalogs) or Mylar-D (pure polyester) film enclosures.

- Place special buffered acid-free, lignin-free interleaving tissue between posters, maps and other flat items in the same enclosure.

- Use unbuffered, acid-free, lignin-free papers to separate black-and-white photographs and protein-based materials, such as leather
- Wrap textiles in Mylar-D and tie with neutral-colored cotton tape.
- Avoid wool, silk and nylon fabrics, because they could break down, giving off sulphur or other harmful gasses.
- Place crumpled pieces of unbuffered acid-free, lignin-free paper in the folds of folded clothing items to reduce sharp creasing and broken threads.

Photographs should be archivally processed black-and white prints on fiber-based papers. Avoid placing newsprint in the capsule. Photocopy newspaper clippings onto archival quality (acid-free, lignin-free and buffered) paper and enclose them in Mylar-D envelopes. Do not laminate or dry-mount photographs.

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SURVEY / QUESTIONNAIRE

Whether or not you are contributing an item, please fill out the survey below that will also be placed inside the time capsule. Your replies will be interesting, informative, and entertaining to those who will read them 50 years from now. Please feel free to make additional copies for other family members and friends.

Personal Information (OPTIONAL)

Your Name: _____ Age: _____

Occupation: _____ Current member of KHBT? _____

What generation are you in the Kona community? _____ Japanese generation? _____

Survey / Questionnaire

Were you in Dharma School? _____ Jr. YBA? _____ Other Affiliate Group _____

Home Town: _____ High School: _____ Year _____

Hobbies / Interests? _____

Favorite Foods? _____

Favorite Restaurants / Take Out Places? _____

What do you enjoy most about Kona? _____

What do you HOPE Kona will be like in 2072? _____

What do you think Kona will ACTUALLY be like in 2072? _____

What will Kona Hongwanji Temple be like in 2072? _____

What message would you like to send to the community members of 2072? _____
