



Luna New Year Greeting-The Year of Rabbit 2023

As each yearly spring season approaches, we as Buddhists joyfully welcome the beginning of the Luna New Year and in unison we commemorate Loving Kindness, Compassion, Joyfulness and Equanimity from a Buddha with the statute and nature known as **Maitreya Buddha- The Future Buddha**.

Maitreya Buddha's statute represents a radiant and joyful future without suffering; expressing Generosity, Loving Kindness, Compassion and Fraternity. These are the very desires and wishes of all Buddhists at the beginning of the first day of Luna New Year ("Mùng 1 Tết") Festival.

During the beginning of the year of the Rabbit and upon welcoming the new season, we should devote aspirations to practice Maitreya Buddha's enlightening deeds as we express our wishes toward our loved ones and all sentient beings for enduring peace, joys and happiness throughout the year of Rabbit.

These merits are the seed of our very own inner peace, joy and happiness.

May we wish you, your family and your friends good health and prosperity throughout the year of the Rabbit 2023.

***Namo the Rejoice in the birth of future Maitreya Buddha
(Nam Mô Đương lai hạ sanh hoan-hỷ Di Lạc TônPhật)***

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Thích nữ An Thiện***

