


Green Tārā, the Green Saviouress

Mongolian Collection

Accession Nr.:	69.120.1 
Type:	sculpture; metalwork; statuette
Artist/Maker:	Zanabazar Gombodorj
Date of production:	19th century
Place of production:	Mongolia
Materials:	bronze
Techniques:	gilt
Dimensions:	weight: 1.05 kg height: 15.5 cm width: 10.5 cm depth: 8 cm

This statuette depicting the female bodhisattva Green Tara, or the Green Saviouress in accordance with iconometric rules. She wears the cloths of an Indian princess, and a diadem adorns her forehead. Her right hand forms the gesture of varada mudra, and her leg lies on a lotus flower. A lotus blooming above her right shoulder, and there is a lotus bud over her left shoulder. The Green Tara seats on a high double lotus throne, in which the petals form a perfect circle- This incomplete statuette retains the characteristics of the Zanabazar style, though the bodhisattva's eyes, mouth and hair are not painted as usual. Due to the evident emblems of the Zanabazar style this piece is considered an artwork of the Zanabazar School.

