

Amida – Lord of The Western Paradise

Japanese Collection

Accession Nr.: **3249** 

Type: **lacquers**

Date of production: 17th century
Edo (Tokugawa) period

Place of production: **Japan**

Materials/Technique
s: **lacquered and gilded wood**

Dimensions: height: 53 cm
width: 44 cm
depth: 34 cm
with base: 79 cm

Acquisition: collected by Péter Vay

Formerly seated on a tall lotus throne, this statue of Lord Amida once served to assure believers of their salvation. The Buddha of “Measureless Light” (Japanese: Muyoko) is depicted in the lotus position (Japanese: kekkafuza), his two feet resting on his thighs, and his light spreads in all directions, towards the ten points of the compass. His hair is arranged in tiny coils, with a jewel (rocky crystal) inlaid at the front.

