

The mandala of Vairochana buddha

Mongolian Collection

Accession Nr.:	72.17.1 
Type:	painting; textile; thangka
Date of production:	20th century
Place of production:	Mongolia
Materials:	canvas; silk
Techniques:	painted
Dimensions:	frame: height: 73 cm width: 61 cm image: height: 40 cm width: 37 cm

On this mandala Buddha Vairocana himself and his retinue are not illustrated as a manifested being, but represented by their gestures, attributes and symbols. At the bottom of the mandala the Sumeru mountain and waves, and at the top the Sun and The Moon can be seen. There are many buddhist symbols on it as ornamentation.

