

Deities of Medieval Japan
—Narrative Tales, Its Forms, and Esoteric Teachings

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No.	Title	Data	Age	Collection
Chapter 1 : Narrative Tales				
1	<i>Nihon Shoki Jindai-kan</i> (The Chronicles of Japan Vol. 1 and 2 〈Age of the Deities〉)	Edited by Prince Toneri and others in 720	Copied in 16th century	Kokugakuin University Library
2	<i>Shinto Yurai no Koto</i> (On the Origins of Shinto) from <i>Shinto-shū</i> (Collected Accounts on Shinto Deities)	Transcription by Masumida Seien	Edited in 1352-1361 Copied in 18th century	Kokugakuin University Library (Formerly owned by Kōno Seizō)
3	<i>Daijingū no Onkoto</i> (On the Ise Grand Shrine and its Deity 〈 <i>Amaterasu Ōmikami</i> 〉) from <i>Shaseki-shū</i> (Collection of Stone and Sand)	Mujū Dōgyō	Edited in 1283, Published in 1605	Kokugakuin University Library
4	<i>Buke-hanjō</i> (Tales of the Prosperity of Warriors in China and Japan)	-	Copied in around the 1661-1681	Kokugakuin University Library
5	<i>Tenjin no Honji</i> (The Origins of Kitano Tenmangū Shrine)	-	Copied in late 16 -early 17th century	Kokugakuin University Museum
6	<i>Kasuga Gongen Genki-e</i> (The Miracles of Deities of Kasuga Taisha Shrine)	-	Completed in 1309 Copied in 18 -19th century	Kokugakuin University Museum
7	<i>Jingi Kōshiki</i> (Buddhist Hym to the Deities)	Attributed to written by Jōkei in late 12 -early 13th century	Copied in before 1586	Kokugakuin University Museum (Formerly owned by Nishida Nagao)
8	<i>Nisho Gongen no Koto</i> (On the Origins of Hakone Jinja Shrine and Izusan Jinja Shrine) from <i>Shinto-shū</i> (Collected Accounts on Shinto Deities)	-	Edited in 1352-1361 Copied in 17-18th century	Kokugakuin University Library (Formerly owned by Kōno Seizō)
9	<i>Sanshu no jingi no koto</i> (On the Three Sacred Treasures) Details on Protocols for Pilgrimages and the Three Sacred Treasures.	-	Copied in 17th century	Kokugakuin University Library (Formerly owned by Kōno Seizō)
10	<i>Soga-Monogatari</i> (The Tale of the Revenge of the Soga Brothers)	-	Copied in 19th century	Kokugakuin University Library (Formerly owned by Takeda Yūkichi)
11	<i>Suwa Engi</i> (On the Origins of Suwa Taisha Shrine) from <i>Shinto-shū</i> (Collected Accounts on Shinto Deities)	-	Edited in 1352-1361 Copied in 17-18th century	Kokugakuin University Library (Formerly owned by Kōno Seizō)
Chapter 2 : Forms				
12	Statues of a Male and Female Deity	-	16th century	Kokugakuin University Museum
13	Mirror,Engraved with Image of Daiitoku Myōō(Yamāntaka)	Asuka Shrine, Shingū City, Wakayama pref.	Late 12th century	Kokugakuin University Museum
14	Eight-lobed Bronze Mirror (Engraved with Image of Zaō Gongen Deity)	Kinpu-sen sutura mound, Dorogawa, Nara pref.	11 -12th century	Kokugakuin University Museum
15	<i>Kasuga-sha Shika Mandala</i> (Mandala of The Sacred Deer of Kasuga Taisha Shrine)	-	17th century	Kokugakuin University Library
16	<i>Sōgyō Hachiman Shin-zō</i> (Image of the Kami Hachiman as a Buddhist Monk)	Attributed to formerly owned by Tōji Temple Kanchi-in	Repaired in 1718	Kokugakuin University Museum
17	<i>Gion Gozu Tennō-zō</i> (Bull-headed Deity of Gion 〈Yasaka〉 Shrine)	-	17 -19th century	Kokugakuin University Library
18	<i>Tenjin-zu</i> (Sugawara no Michizane as a Deity)	-	16th -early 17th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Formerly owned by Miyaji Naokazu)
19-1	Deities of the Three Shrines: Hachiman Deity in the Form of a Buddhist Monk	-	19th century	Kokugakuin University Museum
19-2	Deities of the Three Shrines: Uhō-dōji (The Child-form Avatar of Amaterasu, the Deity of Ise Grand Shrine)	-	19th century	Kokugakuin University Museum
19-3	Deities of the Three Shrines: Kasuga Akadōji (The Child-form Avatar of the Deity of Kasuga Taisha Shrine)	-	19th century	Kokugakuin University Museum
20	Niu Kōya Shisho Myōjin-zō (The Four Local Deities of Mt. Kōya who assisted Kūkai)	-	Around the 1741	Kokugakuin University Museum
21	Hie Sannō Mandala (The Deities of Hiyoshi Taisha Shrine)	-	17 -19th century	Private Collection
22	<i>Sanjūbanshin-zu</i> (The Thirty Guardian Dieties)	Kanō Tamenobu	Before 1693	Kokugakuin University Museum
23	<i>Matarajin-zuezō</i> (A Protector of Jyōgyō Zanmaidō Hall)	-	1661-1673	Kokugakuin University Library
24	<i>Benzaiten Jūgo Dōji-zō</i> (Benzaiten 〈Sarasvatī〉 and Fifteen Children)	-	17th -19th century	Kokugakuin University Museum
-	Statue of Seated Rāgarāja Vidyarāja	-	17th -19th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
Chapter 3 : Esoteric Teachings				
25	<i>Daijingū Honji</i> (The Original Form of the Deity of Ise Grand Shrine)	-	Completed in before 1399 Copied in 17-19th century	Kokugakuin University Library (Formerly owned by Kōno Seizō)
26	<i>Jichi Iki Hongi</i> (A Collection of Secrets Related to Shinto and Shintoism)	-	Edited in before 1350 Copied in 17-18th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Formerly owned by Kōno Seizō)
27	<i>Reikiki Shintaizu-ki</i> (Secrets Behind Ise Shrine, Deities and Shinto Iconography)	-	Edited in before early 14th century Copied in early 17th century	Kokugakuin University Library (Formerly owned by Miyaji Naokazu)
28	<i>Ryōbu Shinto Densho</i> (Texts of Esoteric Buddhism Related to the Deities)	-	Copied in 15-16th century	Kokugakuin University Library (Formerly owned by Miyaji Naokazu)
29	<i>Nihongi Kikigaki</i> (Secret Theory Concerning the Chronicles of Japan)	Formerly owned by Tōdaiji Temple Kaidan-in	Copied in 15th century	Kokugakuin University Library
30	<i>Tenshōdaijin Gotakusen-ki</i> (Oracle of Deity Amaterasu)	-	Copied in 1520	Kokugakuin University Museum (Formerly owned by Nishida Nagao)

31	<i>Ben'ichisan Hiji Byakuja Hiji Byōdōji Sō</i> (Esoteric texts on the Wish-granting Jewel of Murōji Temple)	-	Edited in 1254 Copied in 13th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Formerly owned by Nishida Nagao)
32	<i>Sho Daiji</i> (Collection of Secret Accounts on Esoteric Buddhism)	Edited by Seishuku	Copied in 15-16th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Formerly owned by Nishida Nagao)
33	<i>Heike monogatari "Tsurugi no maki"</i> ("A Tale of the Sword" from <i>The Tale of the Heike</i>)	-	Copied in mid-late 16th century	Kokugakuin University Library
34-1	<i>Sanshu no Jingi Kan</i> (Volume on the secrets of the Three Sacred Treasures that provide legitimization of imperial authority)	-	Copied in around 1600	Kokugakuin University Library
34-2	<i>Nihongi Tōryū-kan</i> (Collection of Esoteric Shinto Texts)	-	Copied in 1598	Kokugakuin University Library
34-3	<i>Goryū Reiki-shū</i> (<i>Collection of Goryū Lineage Interpretations of Spiritual Energy</i>)	-	Copied in around 1600	Kokugakuin University Library
34-4	<i>Naikū Ge-kū Kuden</i> (Orally Transmitted Teachings on the Inner and Outer Shrines of Ise Shrine)	-	Copied in 1598	Kokugakuin University Library
34-5	<i>Jingi Kan Hiketsu-shū</i> (Collection of Secret Interpretations of the Volume on Kami Affairs)	-	Copied in around 1600	Kokugakuin University Library
34-6	<i>Sannō Shichisha no Daiji</i> (On the Secrets of Hiyoshi Taisha Shrine and more)	-	Copied in around 1600	Kokugakuin University Library
■Chapter 4 : Mishotai Mirrors				
35	Mirror Engraved with Image of a Seated Buddha	-	Late 12 -early 13th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
36	Mirror Engraved with Image of Seated Bodhisattva	-	13th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
37	Mirror Engraved with Image of Seated Bhaiṣajyaguru Buddha	-	Late 12th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
38	Mirror Engraved with Image of Seated Buddha	-	13th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
39	Mirror Engraved with Image of Seated Ākāśagarbha Bodhisattva	-	Late 12th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
40	Mirror Engraved with Image of Seated Holy Child	-	15th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
41	Eight-lobed Bronze Mirror Engraved with Image of the Zaō Gongen Deity	-	14th century (engraved in 20th century)	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
42	Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Mahāvairocana Buddha	-	14th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
43	Partial Remains of Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Mahāvairocana Buddha	-	13th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
44	Partial Remains of Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Śākyamuni Buddha	-	Late 12th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
45	Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Bhaiṣajyaguru Buddha	-	13th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
46	Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Amitābha Buddha	-	1484	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
47	Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Amitābha Buddha	-	16th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
48	Partial Remains of Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Amitābha Buddha	-	13th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
49	Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Āryāvalokiteśvara Bodhisattva	-	Mid 15th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
50	Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Eleven Headed Avalokiteśvara Bodhisattva	-	13th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
51	Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Avalokiteśvara Bodhisattva	-	Early 13th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
52	Partial Remains of Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Mahāsthāmaprāpta Bodhisattva	-	13th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
53	Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Kṣitigarbha Bodhisattva	-	13th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
54	Partial Remains of Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Cintāmaṇicakra Bodhisattva	-	14th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
55	Partial Remains of Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Acalanātha Vidyarāja	-	Late 13th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
56	Partial Remains of Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Rāgarāja Vidyarāja	-	13th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
57	Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Vaiśravaṇa Deity	-	Early 15th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
58	Partial Remains of Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Sarasvatī Deity	-	Late 14th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
59	Partial Remains of Hanging Plaque with statue of Zaō Gongen Deity	-	Late 14th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
60	Partial Remains of Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Male Deity	-	13th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
61	Partial Remains of Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Male Deity	-	13th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)
62	Partial Remains of Hanging Plaque with statue of Seated Female Deity	-	Late 13th century	Kokugakuin University Museum (Donated by Hattori Kazuhiko)