BODHISATVA

Called Ratnapāni; that is, “he who holds a jewel in his hands.” The jewel symbolizes the Buddhist doctrine, and is also represented in the center of his diadem. He is seated on a rock beaten by waves, from which a unicorn monster emerges. A monk and a high dignitary praying with folded hands. Gilded bronze.

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