

# THE GOD OF COMPASSION

Avalokiteçvara, seated cross-legged on a lotus which is posed on a stem rising from water surrounded by a rail. There is a swastika in relief on his chest, also the wheel of the law on the palms of his feet. His crown is adorned with the five Dhyāni-Bodhisatvas. The ribbons of the crown and the borders of the robe are finely chased with floral designs. Two monks, one praying with folded hands, the other holding an alms-bowl, worship the Bodhisatva. Gilded bronze image.

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