

BODHISATVA

Avalokiteçvara (in Chinese: Kuan Yin), god of compassion and savior, the most popular of all Bodhisatvas, adorned with jewelry, holding a chowry (fly-whisk of yak-hair), an ancient emblem of royalty, in his right hand and a holy-water flask in his left. From this phial he sprinkles heavenly dew on his devotees and endows them with the promise of endless bliss in Paradise. His crown bears the image of his spiritual father, Amitābha, the Buddha of boundless light. Marble plaque.

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