

Zenzai-doji Statue

Zenzai-doji (Sanskrit: Sudhana) was a bodhisattva who sought the wisdom of respected spiritual teachers. His journey is described in early Buddhist texts. Myoe (1173–1232), the founder of Kosanji, very much wanted to make a pilgrimage to India and was inspired by stories of Zenzai-doji's journey.

This wooden statue shows Zenzai-doji taking a step forward, as if he is about to set off on another journey. This statue is based on one that Myoe is believed to have kept in his living quarters.