



**Buddhist Deva
Eight-armed Benzaiten**
Depicted as native
Japanese deity (*kami*) ??

Modern reproduction of Japan's
oldest (8th century) Benzaiten statue.
Tōdaiji Temple, Nara



Tamonten, Plain wood, 51.5 cm
Asuka Period, 7th Century, Hōryūji Temple
aka Bishamonten



Taishakuten
Wood with gold leaf
Heian Era, 10th Century
Hōryūji Temple 法隆寺, Nara

**Buddhist Devas
depicted as native
Japanese deities
(*kami*) ??**



**Buddhist Deva
Daikokuten**
Depicted as native
Japanese deity (*kami*) ??

Late Heian era.
Kanzeon-ji Temple,
Dazaifu, Fukuoka

**Japanese *kami* Hachiman
depicted as a Buddhist monk.**



Hachiman 神道の神様八幡 (by Kaikei)
Hachiman as a Buddhist Monk.
Painted Wood. H 87 cm. Dated +1202.
Todaiji (Tōdaiji) Temple 東大寺.



Sōgyō Hachiman 僧形八幡
Lit. = Hachiman in the form of a monk.
Tōdaiji Temple, Nara, by Kaikei, 1201 AD
H = 87 cm.



11th Century
Natagū Shrine
奈多宮
Oita Pref.
Hachiman