

**BUDDHAS IN THE FOREST,  
BUDDHAS ALONG THE ROAD:  
Stone Buddhist Sculpture in Japan**



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# *SEKIBUTSU:* **STONE BUDDHIST IMAGES**

## ❧ IMAGE TYPES

- **Cliff images (*magaibutsu*)**
  - Mountains
  - Forests
  - Caves
- **Free-standing images**
  - Crossroads
  - Village entrances
  - Graveyards

# IMAGES DATE FROM . . .

❧ Seventh century--earliest

❧ High point:

- Heian period (794-1185)
- Kamakura period (1185-1333)

❧ Popularization & proliferation

- Edo period (1603-1867)

❧ . . . Until present day

# SEKIBUTSU: Historical Value

➤ Archaeological evidence of Buddhism practiced outside central aristocracy

- Provincial notables
- Itinerant holy men (*hijiri*)
- Common people

**LITTLE DOCUMENTATION**

# **SEKIBUTSU WEB SITE**

❧ **PHOTOS OF IMAGES**

❧ **LINKED TO TEXT**

- Describes images & site
- Provides religious & historical context

# USING TIME MAP

↪ Coordinate spatial and temporal data

↪ Link to other data for analysis:

- TRANSPORTATION ROUTES
- MANORS
- PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS
- TEMPLES AND SHRINES

For the web site see:

[http://www.cs.ucla.edu/~jmg/  
sekiToKiwi/index.html](http://www.cs.ucla.edu/~jmg/sekiToKiwi/index.html)

From the index, you may choose to look at the sculpture location displayed in Time Map, or begin with an image from a specific location.

# Timemap Data request

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Seki3 IMAGE

www.timemap.net

Theme unnamed

▼ Seki3

Worldwide 1km Digital Ele



TMJava v2.1.15a


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LOG The current theme is unnamed

750 1000 1250 1500 1750 YEARS

Zoom 2370 KM 2000

Layers: Seki3 Fields: Count Intervals: 100 Moving Avrg: 1



Clearinghouse Vsn 3.0. ALOV TimeMap Applet developed by Artem Osmakov and Leonid Vasilenko for the TimeMap Project, University of Sydney (www.timemap.net).  
Please report problems to johnson@cal.acsh.hawaii.ucsf.edu



# Timemap Data - selected from Database

Attribute Data

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## Image - usuki dainichi



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