Six Patriarchs in the Transmission from Bodhidharma 達摩宗六祖像
Anonymous
Japanese 12th century copy from a Northern Song Chinese woodblock dated 1054
Hanging scroll, ink on paper, 102 x 58 cm
Kōzanji, Kyoto 高山寺
Important Cultural Property

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Inscriptions:

Scene one. Top right. Inscriptions from left to right:

Disciples Daoxing [Daoyu] and the Nun Zongchi 弟子道星 [育] 尼惣特.

The first patriarch Bodhidharma conferring the four awakenings of Chan.

The second patriarch when a practitioner.

Scene two. Top left. Inscriptions from left to right:

Second patriarch Huike conferring the great patriarchy of Chan.

The third patriarch when a practitioner.

Scene two. Centre right. Inscriptions from left to right:

The third patriarch Sengcan conferring the verified wisdom of Chan.

[Scene] three.

The fourth patriarch’s meeting with the school at fourteen years of age.

Scene four. Centre left. Inscriptions from left to right:

The fourth patriarch Daoxin conferring the great perceptions of Chan.

[Scene] four.

The fifth patriarch, who achieved enlightenment and became a monk when seven years old.

Scene five. Lower right. Inscriptions from left to right:

The fourth patriarch’s disciple Falang.

[Scene] five.
Fifth patriarch Hongren conferring the great fullness of Chan.
第五祖弘忍謨大滿禪川。

The sixth patriarch when a practitioner.
六祖為行者時。

Scene six. Top left. Inscriptions from left to right:

The fourth patriarch’s disciple Nanyue Huairang
六祖弟子南嶽懷讓禪川

Jiangxi Dao [Mazu Daoyi of Jiangxi]
江西道

The sixth patriarch Huineng conferring the great truth of Chan.
第六祖慧能謨大鑒禪川

Dating inscription, lower left:

On the first day of the eleventh month of the first year of the Zhihe period [1054], the first print entered the palace for inspection. Palace servant of the Yellow Gate, servant Chen Lu, reverently submits this to the interior administrators in the second month.

至和元年十一月初一日開板入內内侍省。内侍黃門臣陳陸奉聖二月管內。

Seals:

Kōzanji 高山寺 (square, relief)
Fig. 3.2b
Detail of fig 3.2a,

*The First Patriarch Bodhidharma Conferring the Four Awakenings of Chan*

第一祖菩提達摩諭四覺禪川