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Myououin Temple – Goma-do hall

Important Cultural Property

[A.D.1755]

Myououin Temple was constructed in the Jogan Era [859–877] by the monk Souou Kasho as a training hall for spiritual training based on the Tendai sect of Buddhism. It currently persists as an active training ground for the Tendai practice of “Kaihougyo,” which is a thousand-day walk through Mt. Hiei. The Goma-do Hall is a simple Buddhist hall that possesses a tented style roof with wood shingles, and was constructed in 1755. The Goma-do Hall is also used as a venue for goma fire rituals. It was designated an Important Cultural Property in 1993.