

CAPInv. 279: [thiaso]ta[i]

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Attica with Salamis
ii. Region	Attica
iii. Site	Piraeus

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	[θιασῶ]τα[ι] (IG II ² 2943, ll. 9-10)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	[thiaso]ta[i]

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	iii BC
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Cultic:	<i>thiasotai</i>
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V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	IG II ² 2943 (iii BC) and Add. p. 348.
Note	Ed. pr. <i>Athenaion</i> 8 (1879) 401 no. 4. (APMA 1, 73 no. 364) Other publications: <i>IJO</i> I Ach. 41. (SEG 55: 8) Cf. SEG 47: 2342. <i>BE</i> 1969, no. 369.
Online Resources	IG II² 2943 and AGRW ID 12116
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Greek honorific inscription for the secretary and the steward because of their moderation (σωφροσύνη, <i>sophrosyne</i>).

i.c. Physical format(s)	Lower part of marble stele with five crowns incised, measuring 0,96x0,43m.
ii. Source(s) provenance	Piraeus, now in the Epigraphical Museum, EM 8799.

VII. ORGANIZATION

iv. Officials	Steward (ἐπιμελητής, <i>epimeletes</i> , ll. 10-11). Secretary (γραμματεὺς, <i>grammateus</i> , ll. 15-16).
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IX. MEMBERSHIP

ii. Gender	Men
Note	Σύμμαχος Δάτου, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (44). Λεπτίνης Εὐπείθου, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (22). Ἐργασίων Σαμαρίτης, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (16). Νίκων Νικοφώντος, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (160). Ἐρμογένης Ἐρμαφύλου, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (70).
iii. Age	Adults
iv. Status	Foreigner: 1 Unidentified (probably metic?): 4 See Arnaoutoglou 2011.

X. ACTIVITIES

iv. Honours/Other activities	The association has crowned (στεφανῶσαι, <i>stephanosai</i> , ll. 11-12) its officials.
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XII. NOTES

i. Comments	The restoration [θιασῶ]τα[ι], [<i>thiaso</i>]ta[i] is rather hazardous as one can also restore [ἐρανισ]τα[ι], [<i>eranis</i>]ta[i]. It seems to me that the group referred to in this inscription may be associated with the <i>orgeones</i> of the Mother of the Gods (CAPInv. 361). The origin of the inscription and the presence of Ergasion from Samaria (probably the same as the one in IG II ² 1327, CAPInv. 361) argue for the identification. If this is true, then the group had three stewards and at least two of the individuals named here in IG II ² 2943 were also stewards.
ii. Poland concordance	Poland 75
iii. Bibliography	Arnaoutoglou, I. (2011), ‘‘Ils étaient dans la ville, mais tout à fait en dehors de la cité’. Status and identity in private religious associations in Hellenistic Athens’, in van Nijf, O., and Alston, R. (eds.), <i>Political culture in the Greek city after the classical age</i> . Leuven: 27-48. Mikalson, J. (1998), <i>Religion in Hellenistic Athens</i> . Los Angeles: 151.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association

Certain

Note

The association displays all the hallmarks of a private association: distinct name, membership, organization, property and durability.