

CAPInv. 321: **eranistai**

I. LOCATION

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

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	ἐρανισταί (SEG 54: 235, l. 3)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>eranistai</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	s. i AD
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V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	SEG 54: 235 (second half I AD)
Note	See also: <i>BE</i> 2007: no. 290 Ed. pr.: Themis 2004: 255 Other publication: GRA I 47 AGRW
Online Resources	AGRW ID 3955
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Greek catalogue of <i>eranistai</i> with their officials.
i.c. Physical format(s)	Pedimental marble stele measuring 0.845x0.47m. with its left <i>akroterion</i> missing and a small shield in relief in the <i>tympanon</i> .
ii. Source(s) provenance	It was found in the place called Ano Limni Zophra lying between Ano Liossia, Kamatero and Menidi in the area of ancient demes of Acharnai and Cholgargos, now in the Piraeus Museum 3508.

VII. ORGANIZATION

ii. Leadership	The term chief- <i>eranistria</i> (ἀρχερανίστρια, <i>archeranistria</i> , l. 5) occurs for the first time in Attica. It suggests a leading position in the group.
iv. Officials	Treasurer (ταμίας, <i>tamias</i> , l. 3) Secretary (γραμματεὺς, <i>grammateus</i> , l. 4) κοσμητής (<i>kosmetes</i> , l. 2) Priest (ἱερεὺς, <i>hiereus</i> , l. 7) ἱεροποιός (<i>hieropoios</i> , l. 2) Note that the treasurer and the secretary serve for a second time.

IX. MEMBERSHIP

i. Number	The names of 124 members are attested.
ii. Gender	Men Women
Note	Men: 83 Women: 41
iii. Age	Adults
iv. Status	Citizen: 3 Unidentified: 127

X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	The mention of a <i>hierus</i> of Heracles (l. 7) may suggest worship by the group.
Deities worshipped	Ἡρακλῆς, <i>Herakles</i> (?)

XII. NOTES

i. Comments	The inscription is dated in the archonship of Leukios jr of Rhamnous. The names are written by three different hands, a) ll. 1-104; b) ll. 105-117 and c) ll. 118-135, at different times. This suggests that the group may have been active for more than a century.
iii. Bibliography	Arnaoutoglou, I. (1994), 'Archeranistes and its meaning in inscriptions', <i>ZPE</i> 104: 107-10. Themos, A. (2004), 'Katalogos eraniston', in A. Matthaiou and G. Malouchou (eds.), <i>Attikai Epigraphai (Praktika symposiou eis mnemen Adolf Wilhelm (1864-1950))</i> , Athens: 253-69. Ismard, P. (2010), <i>La cité des réseaux. Athènes et ses associations VIe – Ier siècle av. J.-C.</i> Paris: 350-3.

XIII. EVALUATION

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