

CAPInv. 257: **hoi thiasotai hoi Tynarou**

I. LOCATION

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

II. NAME

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| i. Full name (original language) | οἱ θιασῶται οἱ Τυνάρου (IG II ² 1262 coll. I-II, 16-7) |
| ii. Full name (transliterated) | <i>hoi thiasotai hoi Tynarou</i> |

III. DATE

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| i. Date(s) | 301 / 300 BC |
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

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| ii. Name elements | Cultic: | <i>thiasotai</i> |
| | Theophoric: | Tynaros. There is some disagreement over the name of the deity: IG prints Τυνάρου, <i>Tynarou</i> , while Tracy 1995, reads Τυνάβου, <i>Tynabou</i> . It is considered a Phrygian hero (Parker 1996, 338), an Egyptian deity (Tracy 1995, 146-7), or a deity related to Aphrodite <i>Ourania</i> (Mikalson 1998, 147). I wonder whether Τύναρος, <i>Tynaros</i> , is an inversion of Τύραννος, <i>Tyrannos</i> . |
| iii. Descriptive terms | κοινόν, <i>koinon</i> | |
| Note | <i>koinon</i> : IG II ² 1262, l. 13 | |

V. SOURCES

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| i. Source(s) | IG II ² 1262 (301/300 BC) |
| Note | The inscription is written <i>stoichedon</i> . Ed. pr. <i>MDAI</i> (A) 21 (1896) 93. Other publications: Michel 1550; GRA I 10; AGRW 15. Cf. <i>SEG</i> 46: 2363; 52: 105; 53: 9; 57: 29. |
| Online Resources | IG II² 1262 and AGRW ID 3069 |
| i.a. Source type(s) | Epigraphic source(s) |
| i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script | Greek honorific decree for the stewards of the group, Drakon and Kittos. |
| i.c. Physical format(s) | Marble stele with two incised crowns at the bottom measuring 0,85x0,48m. |
| ii. Source(s) provenance | Found in Piraeus now in the Epigraphical Museum EM 3. |

VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

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| ii. References to buildings/objects | There is a reference to a dedication (ἀνάθημα, <i>anathema</i> , ll. 8-12). |
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VII. ORGANIZATION

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| iii. Members | The members are designated as θιασῶται, <i>thiasotai</i> , l. 3, col. I, 16 and col. II, 16. |
| iv. Officials | Stewards, ἐπιμεληταί, <i>epimeletai</i> , l. 4 (at least two). |

VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

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| i. Treasury/Funds | The treasury is designated as κοινόν, <i>koinon</i> , ll. 8-10: δοῦν[αι δὲ]/ αὐτοῖς καὶ εἰς ἀνάθημα ἐκ [τοῦ κο]/ινοῦ ν ΔΔ ν δραχμάς, <i>dounai de autois kai eis anathema ek tou koinou (20) drachmas</i> . |
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IX. MEMBERSHIP

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| ii. Gender | Men |
| Note | Κανθαρίων, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (1). Δράκων, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (15). Κίττος, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (15). |
| iii. Age | Adults |

X. ACTIVITIES

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| i. Assemblies | The assembly that decided to honour the two stewards took place in the month of Σκιροφοριῶν <i>Skirophorion</i> (June/July). |
| iv. Honours/Other activities | Drakon and Kittos are praised (ἐπαινέσαι, <i>epainesai</i> , l. 7) and honoured with an olive-leaves crown (θαλλοῦ στέφανον, <i>thallou stephanon</i> , l. 8). In addition, they were provided with a sum of money to erect a dedication on which the decree and the crowns will be inscribed (δοῦν[αι δέ]/ αὐτοῖς καὶ εἰς ἀνάθημα ἐκ [τοῦ κο]ϊνοῦ ν ΔΔ ν δραχμάς, ἐν ᾧ οἱ τε [στέ]/φανοὶ καὶ τὸ ψήφισμα ἀναγραφ[ή]σ[ε]ται, <i>doun[ai de] autois kai eis anathema ek [tou ko]inou 20 drachmas, en hoi hoi te [ste]phanoi kai to psephisma anagraphe[s]etai</i> , ll. 8-12). The two individuals are honoured because they took good care (καλῶς καὶ φιλοτίμως, <i>kalos kai philotimos</i> , ll. 4-5) of the sacrifices (θυσίαι, <i>thysiai</i>) and all the common affairs, ll. 5-7. |

XII. NOTES

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| i. Comments | The decree passed in the archonship of Klearchos. Mikalson 1998: 147 n.28 considers that the individuals honoured the decree are of Cypriot origin: this is something totally arbitrary, as well as the claim that both individuals were called Drakon. |
| ii. Poland concordance | Poland A14 |
| iii. Bibliography | Arnaoutoglou, I. (2003), <i>Thusias heneka kai sunousias. Private religious associations in Hellenistic Athens</i> . Athens. Mikalson, J. (1998), <i>Religion in Hellenistic Athens</i> . Los Angeles: 147. Parker, R. (1996), <i>Athenian religion. A history</i> . Oxford. Tracy, S. (1995), <i>Athenian democracy in transition. Attic letter cutters of 340-290 B.C.</i> . Berkeley. |

XIII. EVALUATION

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