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CAPInv. 353: Sabaziastai

I. LOCATION

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

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	Σαβαζιασται (IG II ² 1335, l. 4)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>Sabaziastai</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	101 / 100 BC
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Theophoric:	<i>Sabaziastai</i> : god Sabazios from Asia Minor.
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V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	IG II ² 1335 (101/0 BC)
Note	Ed. pr. <i>An.Ép.</i> 1883: 246. Other publications: Michel no. 972; CCIS II 51; GRA I 43.
Online Resources	IG II² 1335 and AGRW ID 3946
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	List of 52 members who contributed to a project, written in Greek.
i.c. Physical format(s)	Marble pedimental stele with acroteria measuring 1,39x0,35m.

ii. Source(s) provenance

Found in Piraeus, now in the Epigraphical Museum, EM 7844.

VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

ii. References to buildings/objects

The list should be inscribed on a stone slab (*στήλη λίθινη, stele lithine*, l. 6) and erected in the sanctuary (*ἱερόν, hieron*, l. 7).

VII. ORGANIZATION

iii. Members

The members are called *Σαβαζιασταί, Sabaziastai*. Those who have contributed are called *έρανισταί, eranistai*, l. 5-6.

iv. Officials

Priest (*ἱερεύς, hiereus*, l. 8).
Secretary (*γραμματεύς, grammateus*, l. 11).
Steward (*ἐπιμελητής, epimelētēs*, l. 12).
Treasurer (*ταμίας, tamias*, l. 10).
Noteworthy is that the last three offices are undertaken by the same person.

VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

ii. Realty

The sanctuary (*ἱερόν, hieron*) possibly belonged to the association.

IX. MEMBERSHIP

i. Number

Fifty-two names of members are attested.

ii. Gender

Men

Note

52 names of men.

iii. Age

Adults

iv. Status

Citizens: 36
Foreigners: 13
Slaves (public): 1
Unidentified: 3

v. Relations

Father and son:
Ἐπαινος Φαληρεὺς νε(ώτερος), l. 19.
Ἐπαινος Φαληρεὺς πρεσ(βύτερος), l. 21.
Ἀθηνόδοτος Οιναῖος νε(ώτερος), l. 35.
Ἀθηνόδοτος Οιναῖος πρε(σβύτερος) l. 43.

X. ACTIVITIES

i. Assemblies	The association held a meeting on <i>Mounichion</i> (April/May) called main assemblies (ἀγορᾶι κυρίαι, <i>agorai kyriai</i> , l. 3).
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XII. NOTES

i. Comments	The decree of the association passed when archon was Theophilos, but it was inscribed when Meidios was archon.
ii. Poland concordance	Poland A48a, Poland 72
iii. Bibliography	<p>Pakkanen, P. (1996), <i>Interpreting early Hellenistic religion. A study based on the mystery cult of Demeter and the cult of Isis</i>. Helsinki.</p> <p>Parker, R. (1996), <i>Athenian religion. A history</i>. Oxford: 335, 341-2.</p> <p>Mikalson, J. (1998), <i>Religion in Hellenistic Athens</i>. Los Angeles: 146, 279.</p> <p>Arnaoutoglou, I. (2003), <i>Thusias heneka kai sunousias. Private religious associations in Hellenistic Athens</i>. Athens.</p> <p>Ismard, P. (2010), <i>La cité des réseaux. Athènes et ses associations VIe – Ier siècle av. J.-C.</i> Paris: 350-2.</p> <p>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 O. van Nijf, and R. Alston (eds.), <i>Political culture in the Greek city after the classical age</i>. Leuven: 27-48.</p>

XIII. EVALUATION

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