

CAPInv. 2125: Soteriastan Her[oista]n koinon

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I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Aegean Islands
ii. Region	Rhodes
iii. Site	Rhodos

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	Σωτηριαστᾶν Ἡρ[ωϊστα]ν κοινόν
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>Soteriastan Her[oista]n koinon</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	Hell. (?)
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Theophoric:	<p>Σωτηριασταί, <i>Soteriastai</i> - From Zeus, specifically the epithet Σωτηρ, <i>Soter</i> (Morelli, <i>I Culti in Rodi</i> [Pisa, 1959] 46-52, 136-147).</p> <p>Ἡρωϊσταί, <i>Heroistai</i> - The exact nature of the name is disputed. According to Morelli, it is a militant epithet of the Egyptian deity Sarapis. From Ἡρώς (θεός), <i>Heros (theos)</i> (Morelli, <i>I Culti in Rodi</i> [Pisa, 1959] 56, 150-51). However, it is also a possibility, that the name derives from a more general reference to the heroes.</p>
iii. Descriptive terms	κοινόν, <i>koinon</i>	

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	IG XII,1 35
Online Resources	IG XII,1 35 AGRW no. 12473
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Dedicatory-honourific inscription in Greek.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Certain
Note	The descriptive term <i>koinon</i> (κοινόν), used together with a theophoric name element, guarantees the private character of the association.