

CAPInv. 353: Sabaziastai

I. LOCATION

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

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	Σαβαζιασταὶ (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, *stèle lithine*, l. 6) and erected in the sanctuary (ιερόν, *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 (ιερεύς, *hiereus*, l. 8).
Secretary (γραμματεύς, *grammateus*, l. 11).
Steward (έπιμελητής, *epimeletes*, l. 12).
Treasurer (ταμίαις, *tamias*, l. 10).
Noteworthy is that the last three offices are undertaken by the same person.

VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

ii. **Realty** The sanctuary (ιερόν, *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.
Ἄθηνόδοτος Οἰναῖος νε(ώτερος), l. 35.
Ἄθηνόδοτος Οἰναῖος πρε(σβύτερος) l. 43.

X. ACTIVITIES

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

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| 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

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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. |