

Odeon of Herodes Atticus  
Greece  
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# General Facts

The Odeon



I . A stone theater

II . Situated southwest slope of the  
Acropolis



# Why was it built?

161 AD



Herodes Atticus

commences construction in memory of his  
wife, Aspasia Annia Regilla.

# Description

- i. three-story stone front wall
- ii. wooden roof made of cedar of Lebanon timber



# Ancient Usage

- a. It was used as a venue for music concerts.
- b. It featured a capacity of 5,000 spectators.

# Lifespan

Lasted for 106 years (161 – 267 AD)



It was destroyed by Heruli in 267 AD.

# Modern Events

It has been the main venue of the Athens Festival



- a. runs from May through October each year
- b. Features a variety of acclaimed Greek as well as International performances

# Photos

- The students of the 1<sup>st</sup> Secondary School of Gerakas guide the students of the 1<sup>st</sup> Secondary School of Messini to the Odeion of Herodes Atticus.













