

The Odeion of Herodes Atticus

It was the third Odeion to be built in Athens after the Odeion of Perikles and that of Agrippa. It was erected by Herodes in memory of his wife Regilla

who died in A.D. 160. It is shaped as a semicircular theatre with a radius of 38 m. and could seat around 5 000 people. The façade 28 m. high was massive having a width of 2 40 m. The wall of the skene was lavishly decorated with architectural elements. The Odeion was destroyed during the invasion of the Herulae who also destroyed most of the city's monuments in A.D. 267.

