

"A Day In The Garden: Epicurus, Hermarchus, Leonteus, Themista, Hippoclidus, Polystratus, and Alexandria" by Genevra Catalano (2023)

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[Eikadistes](#), thanks for sharing, very nice! Since the description doesn't say a print of an original oil or acrylic painting, then wondering if these are text-to-image designs?

Also, seeing Epicurus in a red toga got me curious, as I seem to remember reading that philosophers wore white...but I need to find a reference for that (so do not yet have reference source for that).

Based on my understanding, the "white toga" is a bit of a historical misnomer. The *toga* is a Roman-specific piece of garb whereas the Greeks wore *tunics* and *chitons* (among a number of other styles). Clothing was typically colorful and included a variety of dyes, as much as people have always used dyes and pigmentation as an aesthetic. (Lee, Mireille M. *Body, dress, and identity in ancient Greece*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2015).

Outside of graphic design, Gen is a seamstress and costume designer, and has an extensive knowledge base when it comes to the history of fashion and clothing design, so I defer to her artistic choices as far the red goes.