

Episode One Hundred Twenty-Three: Letter to Herodotus 12 - Events and Time

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Thank you for pointing out those references to me!

"An event made up of events" does fit my visualisation of it quite nicely, because (even though time really is a continuous stream) I think of it as an very infinite series of not-quite-as infinitesimally short moments, such that it is more like what's called a [stop frame animation](#). Then, every frame is one event, and all of the various things which changed with this new frame are also events, making each frame an event of events, and time itself an event of events of events. Considering, now, that my perspective-shift from time being a continuous stream to "frames" was artificial, the middle layer of events was artificial, which makes time a never-ending event, itself comprised of minuscule events; an event of events. That it would be "accompanied" by anything seems rather strange to me...rather, I'd say it "brings with it" or "allows for" everything. Might be a translation issue? Maybe I understand his "event of events" wrong? Or maybe, dare I say it, Epicurus was only human and didn't chose his verb perfectly?



Regarding the Herculaneum scrolls, I skimmed over the article, and I'm genuinely very happy to see people working on these, but I've found I'm better off focusing on actual translations - the scrolls themselves still just breaks my heart...