

Latro

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Dan'I Danehy-Oakes — 12 Oct 2014, 17:25

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Marc Aramini — 12 Oct 2014, 18:46 · in reply to Dan'I Danehy-Oakes

Anything manly or combative is under Latro's provenance, since he is closely associated with Pleistorus and Ares. In the texts I think much was made of "Latro" meaning simply something close to soldier ... brigand might be simply something of a pejorative view of a free company man of arms.

[He doesn't have to fit every definition of the word, after all - might be like trying to take "He lies in bed" as indicating someone who prevaricates while supine.]

On 10/12/14, Dan'I Danehy-Oakes <danldo at gmail.com> wrote:

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