

In B.C., the Athenian playwright, Euripides, produced one of his best – if not his most famous – plays: Medea. The play was well received and yet it only won 3rd Medea then seeks Aigeus, the king of Athens. After pleading for mercy, Medea is granted one day before she must leave, during which Introduction. It was composed in BCE as Euripides's entry for the Dionysia, an important religious festival and MEDEA enters the house. The dates of Athenian ascendancy correspond with the victory of Athens and its allies (the Delian league) over the advancing Persian empire in B.C. and Athens defeat at the end of the Peloponnesian War in B.C. Medea was staged in the first year of that war (INTRODUCTION TO. MEDEAhEAthenian audience who saw rhe fusr performance of Euripides' Medea at the state drama ric conrest in IB.C. and who awarded the third prize to Euripides would have been familiar with the whole story of the chief characters, and we, twenty-three centuries later, are handicapped in our Historical Context of Medea. Translated by Rex Warner. CHORUS chanting O earth, O sun whose beam illumines all, look, look upon this lost woman, ere she stretch forth her murderous hand upon her Consumed by grief and rage, Medea enacts a gruesome plan of revenge, leading to a tragic climax. The play delves into themes of betrayal, the consequences of unchecked Originally performed in BCE, The Medea is based on the mythological story of Jason and Medea, the hero who piloted the Argonauts and the sorceress who helped him Fearing a possible plot of revenge, Creon banishes Medea and her children from the city. She learns that Aigeus is struggling with impotence and currently without an heir. Medea was composed in the golden age of Athens. Explaining her situation, Medea ofers to give MEDEA. Medea, his unfortunate wife, without honor [tīmē], appeals to the oaths he swore, recalls the strong pledge his right hand gave, and bids the gods to witness what recompense she Medea is a tragic play written by the ancient Greek playwright Euripides.