

HIPPOCRATES of Cos. Very important medical writer. Emergence of medicine from superstition. The Hippocratic Oath is evidence of very fine medical and ethical practice.

SOPHISTS. Professional Paid Teachers of Persuasion

500 - 430 PROTAGORAS of Abdera. 'Concerning the gods, I cannot be sure that they exist.'

'Man is the Measure of all things; of what is, that it is; of what is not, that it is not.'

GORGIAS of Leontini in Sicily. Arrived Athens 427. Public speaker (Rhetor).

'Nothing exists; if it did we could not know it. If we could know it we could not communicate it to others.'

fl 410 HIPPIAS of Elis. Mentioned in 'Apology'.

PRODICOS of Cos

Evenus of Paros

POETS AND PLAYWRIGHTS

525 AESCHYLUS 456

496 SOPHOCLES 406

480 EURIPIDES 406

448 ARISTOPHANES c 386

'Clouds' first performed 423, mocking Socrates, and showing him as a corrupt teacher of persuasion.