



ELIAS MESSINAS

THE SYNAGOGUE: AND OTHER STORIES

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Architect and researcher Elias Messinas has done something unusual in this book. He offers human-interest stories about the synagogues of Greece, not the usual descriptive prose. He thereby appeals to readers who would not respond to academic accounts of the buildings and communities that experienced mass destruction and neglect in the past century.

His stories present history as an aspect of people's experience, and architecture as a way to embody that experience. The heartfelt

emotion of the author is evident throughout this text, and the result is a distinctive form of history writing."

Carol Herselle Krinsky, Architectural historian, New York University, author of 'Synagogues of Europe'.

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