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The term "encomiast" derives from the Greek word "enkōmion," which means "laudatory ode" or "praise." The root "en-" means "in," and "kōmos" refers to a festive procession or revelry.

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In ancient Greece, an "enkōmion" was a formal expression of praise, often delivered in poetry or prose, celebrating the virtues or achievements of an individual, usually during public events or ceremonies. Over time, the person delivering such praises came to be known as an encomiast. The term has retained this meaning, referring to someone who delivers or writes formal expressions of praise.

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