



OBJECT ID	2008.37.71
OBJECT NAME	Block, Printing
OBJECT COLLECTION	Greek Art Printing Company Artifact Collection (is part of)
DATE CREATED	1974
MATERIAL	Lead; Wood
OBJECT ENTITIES	Damianos, John (is related to) Damianos, Aristotle (is related to)
ACCESS POINTS	Assumption Greek Orthodox Church fashion show Greek Art Printing Company organization P.T.A. Parent and Teacher Association Plato Plato School print Printing printing block Program

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Wood and cast lead printing block. The printing image is of an oval seal. Following the outline of the oval is a ring of Greek text that is divided between top and bottom by a dot on each side. The top half of the text reads: Greek School. The bottom half translates to: The Assumption of Mary. At the center of the seal is a portrait of the side of a man's head. The man is bearded and wears a band around his head. Below the image, in Greek, is the name: Plato.

ORIGIN

Donated by John Damianos. The printing block was used in a linotype printing machine. Linotype presses allowed for the casting of entire lines to be printed at a time. Linotype printing was eventually succeeded by lithograph printing and computer typesetting during the 1960's and 1970's. This printing block was used by the Chicago-based, Greek Art Printing Company that was owned and operated by Aristotle Damianos. This print image was used for the printing of programs for the Plato School P.T.A.'s Thirteenth Annual Luncheon and Fashion Show. The Plato School was the Greek school run by Assumption Greek Orthodox Church in Chicago. Plato was a Greek philosopher and is noted in education due to his founding of the Academy in Athens.

CITATION

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