



OBJECT ID	2008.37.77
OBJECT NAME	Block, Printing
OBJECT COLLECTION	Greek Art Printing Company Artifact Collection (is part of)
MATERIAL	Lead; Wood
OBJECT ENTITIES	Damianos, John (is related to)
ACCESS POINTS	Greek Art Printing Company Man Military portrait printing block Sash uniform Wood

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Square, wood printing block with image of a man in uniform. The portrait is a bust that stops about midway down his chest. The man is wearing a round hat, a jacket with a high collar, and some sort of sash with a design on it. The design is minimal on the stamp but might indicate a rosette, cross, or star of some sort. There is a blackened and damaged piece of paper attached to the back.

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. The Greek Art Printing Company was responsible for the printing of a wide range of materials, including wedding invitations, invoices, flyers, programs, letterhead, etc., for Greek businesses, organizations, institutions, and individuals in the Chicago area, and elsewhere.

Although the details of the sash are unclear, it denotes some military rank.

CITATION

Block, Printing, Greek Art Printing Company Artifact Collection, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 12/19/25.