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| OBJECT ID         | 2008.37.82                                                                         |
| 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)<br>Damianos, Aristotle (is related to)              |
| ACCESS POINTS     | Greek Art Printing Company<br>Man<br>portrait<br>printing block<br>reading<br>Wood |

#### OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Rectangular, wood printing block of a man reading. The man is picuted from waist up, dressed in a overcoat and hat reading a small book or pamphlet. Details to create shadow are made with cross hatched lines and some thicker linesfor his tie and lapel. There are also deep depressions so that the color would be strikingly different in separate areas.

#### 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.

#### CITATION

Block, Printing, Greek Art Printing Company Artifact Collection, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 09/12/26.