



OBJECT ID	2008.37.101
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) Damianos, Aristotle (is related to)
ACCESS POINTS	boat etching Greek Art Printing Company ocean liner Olympia printing block ship Wood

#### OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Rectangular, wood printing block of a ocean liner. The image of the ship on the ocean is an etching. The ship is pictured from the front but at an angle so most of the vessel is visible. The picture is marred by scratches. On the back of the block the word "Olympia" is written.

#### 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.

Olympia may be the name of the ship.

#### CITATION

Block, Printing, Greek Art Printing Company Artifact Collection, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 04/26/24.