



<b>OBJECT ID</b>	2008.37.137
<b>OBJECT NAME</b>	Block, Printing
<b>OBJECT COLLECTION</b>	Greek Art Printing Company Artifact Collection (is part of)
<b>MATERIAL</b>	Lead; Wood
<b>OBJECT ENTITIES</b>	Damianos, John (is related to) Damianos, Aristotle (is related to)
<b>ACCESS POINTS</b>	cross Greek Art Printing Company insert printing block Stamp Wood

#### OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Small rectangular wood printing block with a metal etching on top. The etching contains a large cross with a smaller one inside. Behind the cross is a wreath. Above the cross is a banner with Greek writing. The block itself is very dirty.

#### 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.

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**CITATION**

Block, Printing, Greek Art Printing Company Artifact Collection, *National Hellenic Museum*,  
<https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 05/02/24.

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