



OBJECT ID	2008.37.201
OBJECT NAME	Block, Linoleum
OBJECT COLLECTION	Greek Art Printing Company Artifact Collection (is part of)
MATERIAL	Metal; Wood
OBJECT ENTITIES	Damianos, John (is related to) Damianos, Aristotle (is related to)
ACCESS POINTS	Greek Art Printing Company insert Metal printing block Stamp

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

"L" shaped wood and lead type block with two figures on it wearing traditional Greek grab. In the foreground is a female with her back turned. She's facing the male figure who's playing a horned instrument and sitting on something. In the background is a herd of sheep with trees and grassland. There is the roof of a building at the upper right corner and mountainous terrain in the very background.

The block itself is made of 9 layer of wood with a dark and light pattern. The corner inside the "L" shape has two notches cut inside the corner. At the top of the "L" shape there is a small section of wood shaven down the right side.

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

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