



OBJECT ID	2008.37.208
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

rectangular wood and lead printing block with lettering in print cast which reads as follows:

Line 1: "DAMIANOS PRINTERS LITHOGRAPHERS SINCE 1914" "since 1914" is in smaller font than the rest of line 1.

Line 2: "810 W.JACKSON BLVD. CHICAGO 7, ILL. CE 6-5283". Above "5283" is a small oval.

To the right on the block is the cast of the Parthenon or some architecturally similar building. On the back the word "BLACK" is written in capital letters in red ink in the middle of the block.

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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