



OBJECT ID	2008.37.2
OBJECT NAME	Block, Printing
OBJECT COLLECTION	Greek Art Printing Company Artifact Collection (is part of)
DATE CREATED	1957 – 2009
MATERIAL	Lead; Wood
OBJECT ENTITIES	Damianos, John (is related to)
ACCESS POINTS	1957 1968 2009 Greek Art Printing Company Hellenic Student Association of Roosevelt University Olympic Airways Printing printing block Program Wood

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Wood and cast lead printing block. The lettering on the block reads "Olympic" in large letters and below, in smaller letters is "Airways."

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 Greek Art Printing Company out of Chicago. The print image was used in an advertisement for Olympic Airways in a program for the Hellenic Student Association of Roosevelt University's annual dance. Olympic Airways was founded in 1957 when it was bought from the Greek government. It ceased to exist when it was merged into Olympic Airlines in 2009. The Hellenic Student Association of Roosevelt University was founded in 1956. The objectives of the Association are: to bring all Greek Students together and provide them with a forum for discussion of the problems in this country; to create a better understanding of the Greek culture and spirit among thier American fellow students and the society in whole, and to assist Greek student financially or otherwise to complete thier education.

CITATION

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