

OBJECT ID	2008.37.3
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)
ACCESS POINTS	Daily Hellenic-American School Greek Art Printing Company Print Blocks Printing Socrates Socrates School Wood

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Wooden and cast lead printing block. Set in block lettering in Greek is: "Daily Hellenic-American School." Below, also in Greek, but in serif script is, in parentheses: "O Socrates." The bottom corners on the print face of the printing block have been chipped away, seemingly by the print setter.

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 succeded by lythograph printing and computer typesetting during the 1960's and 1970's. This printing block was used by the Chicago-based, Greek Art Printing Company. This printing block was used, in combination with 2008.37.53, to print grade school graduation certificates for the Socrates School. The school started in 1907 when the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church of Chicago began offering Greek language classes at the famous Hull House. The Socrates Greek School opened in 1908 and was renamed the Socrates Greek American School after an English curriculum was added in 1917. The schools successor institution is the Hellenic American Academy in Deerfield, Illinois.

CITATION

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