

Kase Printing installs second Heidelberg Speedmaster XL 105

Kase Printing, Hudson, NH, has installed a 40" Heidelberg Speedmaster XL 105-4P perfector 4-color press with the Prinect Press Control Center to complement their existing 40" Heidelberg Speedmaster XL 105-5LX 5-color press.

"This is the most versatile offset press we've ever had to offer our clients in our 25 years of being in business," said Mike Ribaudo, Vice President of Sales and Marketing at Kase Printing. "Thanks to Heidelberg's uniquely designed football-shaped turning unit in the XL press, we are perfecting our customers' print projects at speeds of up to 18,000 sheets per hour, which is twice as productive as any other conventional perfecting press in the same format class, and the XL holds color fabulously well."

With two high-speed XL presses printing 250,000 or more press sheets per business day for their in-house bindery operation, Kase can now reach up to serve the larger volume catalog, publications and direct mail needs the print buying community once placed with short-run web offset print suppliers. And with faster make-ready times, quicker plate changes and less press waste, Kase can now also reach down into the short-run color publications market that inkjet print suppliers have experienced growth in recently.

Kase has further expanded their daily production throughput by alleviating any potential bottlenecking in their folding operations with the recent addition of the all new-to-market technology Heidelberg Stahl TH 82 6/6/4 folder, which folds at speeds that match the throughput of the press. Complete with all the optional bells and whistles and capable of folding a single sheet up to 16 times in a single pass, the TH 82 allows Kase to expand further into their



Kase Printing President, John Koumantzelis, standing with the new XL105 press.

existing market verticals including the pharmaceutical and the medical device IFU manufacturing supply chain.

"We have always been committed to reinvesting in the company to ensure that we remain relevant and to ensure that we serve the changing needs of our valued customers. These equipment additions, paired with our forthcoming introduction of the Kodak Insite Prepress Portal and Prinergy Workflow, offer our customers and our sales executives new opportunities to capitalize upon and deepen their working relationships for the benefit of all

parties," said John Koumantzelis, President, Partner and Founder of Kase Printing.