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Venice in Print

An exhibition of large format woodblock prints by Lucinda Tanner

31 May – 14 June 2015, Dorfstrasse 40, 4452 Itingen

Opening reception Saturday, 30 May 2015, 17:00

Australian/Swiss printmaker Lucinda Tanner presents an exhibition of large format woodblock prints inspired by the architecture of Venice. It is on display to the public in an old heritage barn in the heart of Itingen.

Capturing fragments of Venice at a scale they deserve, this series of hand-crafted large format woodblock prints celebrates the beauty of this miraculous city. Along a *fondamenta*, through a *campo*, up the *Canale Grande*, the viewer is led on a journey through this ancient yet fragile cityscape. Architectural elements have been translated into carefully considered images.

Created by a slow, hands-on process, the collection is the result of a year's work taking place between Itingen, Venice and Basel. The wooden printing plates were carved in the artist's *atelier* in Itingen. Printing took place in Venice, making use of a large format press located in an old glass making factory on the island of Murano. More than a month was spent living and working on the island. The artist also worked using a large format press at Druckwerk, a print atelier located in Basel's Wartech building.

Lucinda moved to Itingen from Melbourne 10 years ago. Her large format works are technically challenging and are the culmination of more than 20 years of hand printing experience – from screen printing with Aboriginal Australians in the remote Tiwi islands; to the hand printed production of fine fashion silks in Melbourne; to woodblock printing with an eye over the Venetian *laguna*. The privilege of having lived and worked in a number of cultures different to her own brings a wealth of cross cultural inspiration to her printmaking. It reflects on heritage and place, often acknowledging lost or disappearing crafts and customs.

Exhibition opening with *Spritz & cicchetti* reception

Saturday 30 May, 2015, 17:00

Dorfstrasse 40, Itingen 4452

Exhibition hours

Sunday 31 May – Sunday 14 June, 2015

Wednesday & Friday 17:00 – 20:00

Saturday & Sunday 11:00 – 16:00

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