

Singapore Tyler Print Institute

Artist Liz Burton and I visited the Singapore Tyler Print Institute situated at Robertson Quay on the luxuriant shrub lined banks of the Singapore River, just a short stroll from our hotel. Despite the tropical showers and sweltering heat we walked along the riverside path dotted with cafes and restaurants and wondered at how fortunate Singaporean Printmakers are with an institute such as this.

Warmly welcomed by Tamae Iwasaki, Senior Education & Outreach Officer, we were shown around the magnificent studios. The vast spaces were home to some gigantic machines that Tyler actually designed and made, for example note the Big Double - the big press at left used for huge lithographs and etchings - we watched fascinated as an artist and the technician printed metal foil with this press. Paper making was underway in another space, the paper size was truly massive it must have been around 3 X 4 meters.

The current exhibition 'As we never imagined: 50 years of Art Making' was being hung as we wandered through the vast spaces it will be showing until 30 August 2015 and well worth a visit.

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