

The Colorado Arts and Crafts Society presents
❁ THE MASTER CRAFTSMAN STUDIO TOUR ❁

October 9, 2010, 10 A.M. to Noon

RAY TOMASSO,
Master Printer and Papermaker
Inter-Ocean Curiosity Studio
2905 South Elati Street, Englewood

Originally based in Omaha, Nebraska, Ray Tomasso's studio has been in Colorado since 1977 and is currently in a building that was the former luncheonette for the General Iron Works in Englewood. The studio includes an extensive library of books, periodicals and ephemera associated with papermaking, printing, printmaking, book arts, graphic design, sculpture, fine art and related topics.

His shop houses a c.1895 Washington-style press from the Reliance Company of Chicago (15" x 20"), c.1920s-30s Chandler & Price motorized new style press (10" x 15"),

c.1870s Gordon treadle-operated new style press (8" x 10"), Craftsman sidearm press (5" x 8"), small sign press (8" x 10"), wood engraving machine, roller pin proof press and various foil stamping presses.

His type collection includes over 300 fonts each of wood and foundry type and hundreds of antique metal cuts. There is an extensive collection of antique printing furniture, composing stones, tools and equipment.

The paper studio includes two Hollander beaters, a 100-ton hydraulic press (3' x 4'), a restrained drying press (36" x 27"), various commercial rag shredders, assorted moulds, deckles, vats and felts for forming sheets, a huge collection of rags and fibers for a variety of paper formulations and mineral pigments for coloring pulp.

Ray produces earth-friendly handmade archival rag paper for printmakers, artists, illustrators, calligraphers and book makers all across the country and offers workshops in papermaking on a select basis.

This is a tour you won't want to miss. Come and see what it takes to be a master craftsman, and find out how and why he does what he does.

The tour will be from 10 A.M. to NOON on Saturday, October 9. Space is limited so please call Cynthia Shaw McLaughlin at 720-497-7632 — ASAP — for a reservation to see this wonderful studio.



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