

ECCE QUAM BONUM
LETTERPRESS PRINT by DANIEL MITSUI



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This print displays the words of Psalm 132 (*Ecce Quam Bonum*). The text, translated, is:

Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! As ointment on the head, which ran down upon the beard, the beard of Aaron: which ran down unto the hem of his garment: as the dew of Hermon, which descendeth upon mount Sion. Because there hath the Lord commanded blessing and life for evermore. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

I formatted the picture like a verso book leaf. The border is composed of tiny plants and animals, resembling a millefleur tapestry. The versal containing the word *Ecce* includes stylized oak leaves and a background of tiny sand dollars and anemones. The text is set in Benedict, a typeface that I designed myself.

Medium: Letterpress print, based on ink drawings

Press: Heidelberg cylinder (Rohner Letterpress, Chicago, IL)

Ink: Albion matte black (Graphic Chemical & Ink, Villa Park, IL)

Paper: Handmade cotton laid (Twinrocker Handmade Paper, Brookston, IN)

Edges: Bottom and right deckle, top and left cut

Edition: Open, approximately 200

Dimensions: 7" × 10"

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