




Exhibitor # _____

Frame # _____

St. Louis Stamp Expo March 16-18, 2012

 An APS World Series of Philately Exhibition

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Renaissance St. Louis Hotel • St. Louis, MO
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Exhibitors Official Entry Form (Please Print)

Name: _____

Telephone / Home: _____ Work: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Please reserve _____ 16-page frames (the maximum frames per exhibit is 10 frames. There is no minimum number, but only ten one-framers will be accepted.)

Entry Fee: \$7.00 *per frame* for 4 to 10 frames;
\$25.00 *flat frame fee* for 1, 2 or 3 frame exhibits.
\$2.00 *per frame* for Juniors.

Enclosed: \$ _____ entry fee for _____ frames.
\$ _____ return shipping costs (The Show will return your exhibit via Express Mail for a minimum fee of \$20 per 16 pages or actual cost)
\$ _____ TOTAL - Please make your check payable to: ST. LOUIS STAMP EXPO

Exhibit Title: _____

Description: (As it will appear in the show program, if space allows. 25-word limit)

Previous Awards: _____

National Stamp Organizations: Check if member

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Polonus Philatelic Society (PPS) | <input type="checkbox"/> United Postal Stationery Society (UPSS) | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AAMS | <input type="checkbox"/> APC | <input type="checkbox"/> ATA | <input type="checkbox"/> MPHS | <input type="checkbox"/> USSS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AAPE | <input type="checkbox"/> APS | <input type="checkbox"/> CSA | <input type="checkbox"/> PHS | Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AFDCS | <input type="checkbox"/> ARA | <input type="checkbox"/> GPS | <input type="checkbox"/> USPCS | _____ |

Classification of Exhibit: _____

(See Judging and Awards Section, Paragraph III in the Exhibitor Prospectus)

Birthdate of Junior: _____

Method of Delivery: _____

Return Instructions: _____

I am exhibiting at the National Level for the first time: YES () NO ()

I understand no addresses will be listed in the program. You have my permission to list my name: YES () or NO (). List me as anonymous or as _____.

If you have any questions, you may call the St. Louis Stamp Expo Committee at (314) 361-5699, Monday-Friday 10:00am-5:00pm.

I have read, understand and will comply with all regulations of the attached Exhibitor Prospectus for exhibiting at the ST. LOUIS STAMP EXPO, especially those concerning liability in the Logistics Section, Paragraph 4.

Signature

Date

Mail entry form, fees and preliminary title page to:
ST. LOUIS STAMP EXPO
PO Box 8277
St. Louis, Missouri 63156-8277
(314) 361-5699



Exhibitor Prospectus
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March 16-18, 2012
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St. Louis, Missouri



An official World Series of
Philately (WSP) Exhibition

Exhibitors

1. The exhibition is open to all stamp collectors.
2. Exhibits must be entirely the bona fide property of the exhibitor.
3. Junior exhibitors must be under the age of 21 on March 16, 2012.
4. Exhibitors' names will be used in the program and in connection with the awards. To remain anonymous, exhibitors must advise the exhibit committee and furnish a pseudonym.

Exhibits

1. Exhibits have a one-frame minimum and a ten-frame maximum.
2. A frame contains 16 pages (8½"x11" or 9"x12") mounted in four rows of four. Jenkins/Ameripex type aluminum security frames are being used.
3. A collector may submit more than one exhibit, but no more than two exhibits will be accepted from the same person. Separate entry forms must be used for each exhibit. If the frames are over subscribed, only one exhibit may be accepted.
4. Exhibits that have won the Grand Award at any World Series of Philately Shows (WPS) since July 1, 2011 or which have won Grand Prix National, International or Honor awards in FIP International exhibitions shall be ineligible for the Grand Award.
5. The exhibit must be mounted on pages, numbered on the back in sequential order and each page enclosed in a transparent sheet protector, preferably closed on three sides.
6. Withdrawal or failure to present an exhibit after that exhibit has been accepted forfeits the entry fee paid.

Fees and Entry Procedure

1. The official entry form must be used. It has space for a description of the exhibit of no more than 25 words for possible inclusion in the program. A preliminary title page must be submitted with the entry form but may be modified later if desired.
2. The exhibit entry fees for adults are \$7 *per frame* for 4 to 10 frames; \$25 *flat frame fee* for 1, 2 or 3 frames; and \$2 *per frame* for Juniors. The fee must be paid at the time of submission, and checks should be made payable to: **ST. LOUIS STAMP EXPO**. Mail entry form and fees to: St. Louis Stamp Expo, PO Box 8277, St. Louis, MO 63156.
3. Each exhibitor must also submit eight photocopies of the title page and eight copies of a one to two page summary/synopsis/outline of the exhibit. This material may be sent at the time of application or up to March 1, 2012. This material will aid the judges in understanding the exhibit.
4. **The deadline for entries is December 31, 2011.** Early application is important because the Exhibition Committee may close entries without further notice when frames are filled. The Exhibition Committee can at its discretion, reject any exhibit for any reason. If the exhibit is rejected, the entry fee will be refunded in full.
5. Failure to exhibit an accepted exhibit forfeits the entry fee.
6. All exhibitors will be notified whether their exhibit has been accepted by January 15, 2012.

Judging and Awards

- I. A jury of five distinguished judges, accredited by the American Philatelic Society, has been appointed by the Exhibition Committee.
- II. Judging will be on an open basis, and each exhibit will be judged on its own merit by the appropriate APS criteria regardless of the class or division in which it is entered. Decisions of the judges are final.
- III. Exhibits in the following Classes and Divisions will be considered.
 1. General Class
 - a. Postal Division
 - b. Revenue Division
 - c. Thematic Division
 - d. Display Division
 - e. Illustrated Mail Division
 - f. Cinderella Division
 2. One Frame Class (only 10 such frames will be accepted)
 3. Youth Class (May be either General or One-Frame exhibit done by someone under the age of 21)
- IV. Exhibits will be judged on the basis of five levels of awards with no limitation as to how many awards may be given at each level. The five award levels are: Gold, Vermeil, Silver, Silver-Bronze and Bronze. Grand and Reserve Grand Awards will be given for the best exhibits in the show. Since, the St. Louis Stamp Expo is an official World Series of Philately Show (WPS), the Grand Award winner will automatically be eligible for the APS Champion of Champions Show. Only exhibits in General Class qualify for the Grand and Reserve Grand Awards.
- V. Additional special awards will be given at the discretion of the judges, if merited, and if the exhibit is eligible in special categories.
- VI. All Expo awards will be presented at the Awards Banquet, Saturday, March 17th, 6:30pm at the show hotel.

Logistics

1. Acceptances will be accompanied by shipping instructions. Please do not send your exhibit until shipping instructions are received. Exhibits must be sent prepaid and with return postage or payment. They will be returned promptly after the closing of the show by the method requested by the owner. If no method is specified, your exhibit will be returned via Express Mail at a minimum fee of \$20 per 16 pages or actual cost.
2. Personally delivered exhibits will be received by the Exhibition Committee before the show between the hours of 4:00 P.M. and 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, March 15, 2012.
3. **No exhibit may be removed prior to the closing of the show at 4:00pm Sunday, March 18, 2012.**
The exhibit may be removed thereafter only when signed for by the exhibitor or duly authorized representative and when checked out and released by the Exhibition Committee.
4. Exhibitors must provide their own insurance. All reasonable care will be taken to ensure the safety of the exhibits, including 24-hour professional security guards. The exhibit is entered at the risk of the exhibitor. No responsibility or liability shall be attached to St. Louis Stamp Expo, its Committee members, sponsoring societies, Renaissance St. Louis Hotel or any of their employees, officers, volunteers or representatives for any damage or loss for any cause or reason.

Summation

1. The Exhibition Committee will have complete discretion in matters that may arise concerning the Exhibition and not provided for in this prospectus.
2. Signing of the entry form denotes acceptance of all conditions set forth herein.

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