

TEXPEX 2010 STAMP SHOW

April 16-18, 2010

Rules and Regulations for Exhibitors (Revised as of July 8, 2009)

I. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Exhibiting in the TEXPEX 2010 Stamp Show is open to all collectors regardless of club affiliation or residence. However, exhibits having won an American Philatelic Society (APS) StampShow Champion of Champions award or an International Grand Prix award or three international large gold medals are ineligible to compete for the Grand Award in this show.
- B. Each exhibit must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and may not contain any material that is to be offered for resale by a philatelic dealer.
- C. Any counterfeit and bogus material must be clearly identified as such.
- D. Anonymous exhibits will be accepted. Other exhibitors will be listed by name.
- E. General exhibits will consist of at least two and no more than 10 frames.
- F. One Frame and Youth exhibits are accepted at TEXPEX.

II. ENTRY

- A. Applications for entry must be made on the *Official Entry Form* or facsimile thereof. Payment of appropriate entry fees must accompany the application.
- B. Entries should be submitted as soon as possible, with a copy of the title page and/or synopsis.
- C. Receipt of entries will be acknowledged, but such acknowledgement does not constitute acceptance of an exhibit. Notice of acceptance will be sent to exhibitors on or before March 25, 2010. No exhibits are to be forwarded until such notice has been received.
- D. The Exhibits Committee reserves the right to reject any entry and to return the application form together with related fees before the opening of the show.
- E. Failure to exhibit after notification of acceptance will result in forfeiture of all entry fees.
- F. Non-competitive exhibits may be accepted.
- G. An exhibitor may enter up to two exhibits per category for a total of no more than 20 frames. This is subject to available space. The entry of each exhibit must be applied for on a separate entry blank.

III. CLASSES, DIVISIONS AND SECTIONS

CLASSES (Classes are not “exhibit types” but rather major sections within an exhibition that have different parameters for exhibit evaluation).

- **General:** Two or more frames of division/sub-division material. In the United States, this has widely been referred to as “Open Class.”
- **Single Frame:** Any exhibit limited to only one frame (16 pages).
- **Youth:** Any exhibit owned and prepared by an exhibitor under age 18.

The judges may reclassify exhibits that, in their opinion, are not entered in the proper class, division or section

DIVISIONS AND SECTIONS

Postal Division

Sections: Traditional
Postal History
Aerophilately
Astrophilately
Special Studies
Postal Stationery

Revenue Division

Sections: Traditional
Revenue History
Special Studies

Post Card Division

Thematic Division

The distinction of a Thematic exhibit is its focus on the illustrated subject of the philatelic material rather than the philatelic material per se or its use.

Illustrated Mail Division

Sections: Advertising Covers
Patriotic Covers
Corner Cards
Cacheted, Illustrated and imprinted Covers
Maximaphily
First Day Covers

Charity/Promotion/Cinderella Division

Bogus and phantom issues, registration labels, etiquettes, vignettes and labels

Display Division

Liberal allowance for non-philatelic collateral items supporting the development of the subject

IV. FRAMES AND PAGES

- A.** Each frame is designed to accommodate 16 pages of 11" height and 8 1/2" width.
- B.** Modular or oversize poster displays (up to the frame dimensions) may be accepted from exhibitors who make arrangements in advance with the Exhibits Committee and who deliver and remove such entries in person or by an agent.
- C.** Each page of an exhibit should -- 1. Be numbered consecutively and bear the exhibitor's name on the back, 2. Be enclosed in transparent sheet protectors

V. FEES

- A.** Entry fees are \$8.00 per frame for adult exhibits, \$20.00 for single frame exhibits, and \$3.00 per frame for youth (17 and younger) exhibits.
- B.** All fees must be submitted with the application for entry to: Dick Phelps, PO Box 867373, Plano TX 75086 on or before March .25, 2010. Checks should be made payable to TEXPEX.

VI. DELIVERY OF EXHIBITS

- A.** Exhibitors shall assume all responsibility for getting their exhibits to the hall whether by personal delivery or by mail.
- B.** Personally delivered exhibits are to be mounted by the owner or his designated agent at the Doubletree Hotel on April 15 between 5 PM and 9 PM.
- C.** Mailed or shipped exhibits should arrive no later than April 12, 2010. If mailed in the United States, the exhibit must be sent insured or registered via the United States Postal Service to: Tom Koch, c/o UT-Dallas McDermott Library MC33, Box 830643, Richardson, Texas 75083-0643. If shipped the exhibit must be sent insured to Tom Koch, c/o UT- Dallas McDermott Library MC33, 2601 N. Floyd Road, Richardson, Texas 75080 (Phone 972-883-4951).
- D.** Exhibits will be stored in a vault until time for mounting.

VII. REMOVAL OF EXHIBITS

- A. No exhibit, nor any part thereof, shall be removed from the hall prior to the closing of the show at 4 p.m. on April 18, 2010.
- B. Exhibitors desiring to remove their material in person or through an agent must provide authorization on the *Entry Form*. The exhibitor or agent may then remove the exhibit only upon providing proof of identity and signing a release form.
- C. Exhibits delivered by mail will be returned in the manner designated by the exhibitor, and sufficient postage must be included with the entry form for return by mail.

VIII. INSURANCE, LIABILITY AND SECURITY

- A. Insurance of exhibits is the responsibility of exhibitors.
- B. All reasonable care will be taken to safeguard each exhibit. However, neither the Southwest Philatelic Foundation nor The Renaissance Dallas North Hotel, nor the University of Texas at Dallas, nor the Texas Philatelic Association nor any of their officers, members, employees, agents or associated persons shall be liable for any damage to, or loss of, any exhibition material arising from any cause or reason whatsoever.
- C. Armed security service will be provided from 4 PM on Thursday, April 15, 2010 to 6 PM on Sunday, April 18, 2010.

IX. AWARDS

- A. An unlimited number of general awards at five levels plus one reserve grand award and one grand award will be made available. Special awards sponsored by various organizations will also be offered. Multi-frame exhibits qualify for the grand and reserve grand awards. There will be a single frame grand award available as well.
- B. Special awards will be made available in the youth class (if there are at least four exhibits) and in the one-frame class (if there are at least six exhibits).

X. JUDGING

- A. A panel of judges accredited by the American Philatelic Society will be selected. The panel will make decisions by deliberations and consultations, evaluating exhibits according to accepted standards of the American Philatelic Society.
- B. All exhibits will be judged according to the latest edition of The APS Manual of Philatelic Judging.
- C. All competitive exhibits will be judged using a composite scoring sheet provided to each exhibitor.
- D. The noncompetitive exhibits will not be judged.
- E. The criteria of the sponsoring groups will be considered when evaluating exhibits for special awards.
- F. Special criteria may be applicable to exhibits entered in the Youth class.
- G. No award shall be made if, in the opinion of the judges, a particular exhibit lacks sufficient merit.
- H. The decisions of the judges will be final and the TEXPEX 2010 sponsors will consider no appeals.

XI. RULING AUTHORITY

Any and all questions not covered by these rules and regulations will be decided by the Exhibits Committee, whose decision is final.

XII. ACCEPTANCE

An exhibitor's signature on the *Entry Form* signifies acceptance of the foregoing rules and regulations.