

HUNTSVILLE PHILATELIC CLUB

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HUNTSPEX 2023 STAMP, POSTCARD AND COIN SHOW

EXHIBITION PROSPECTUS

The Huntsville Philatelic Club will present its HUNTSPEX 2023 Stamp, Postcard and Coin Show with a philatelic exhibition and bourse on June 3 - 4, 2023, at the Jaycee Community Building in Huntsville, 2180 Airport Road, Huntsville AL 35801. There is no admission charge, and parking is free.

Saturday, June 3, 2023, from 10 am to 5 pm and Sunday, June 4, 2023 from 10 am to 3 pm

Join us at HUNTSPEX 2023 as we celebrate one of NASA's many great achievements in space exploration. This year's theme is still under consideration.

EXHIBITION RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Participation is open to all stamp collectors. Exhibition material must be the personal property of the exhibitor. Applications will be accepted until May 8, 2023 or until all 80 6-page frames are filled.
2. Exhibitors must make their own arrangements for insurance. Precautions will be taken to protect the property of the exhibitors. Professional security personnel are provided after show hours.
3. Failure to submit an exhibit after application has been accepted will result in forfeiture of fee paid.
4. Exhibits having won the HUNTSPEX Grand Award once or the club member award twice will not be eligible for additional awards unless the owner certifies that at least 50% of the material shown was not in the prior exhibit. These exhibits will be eligible for the Champion of Champions Award if there are three or more exhibits in this classification. The Champion of Champions Award will be awarded only once to an exhibit.
5. **Entry fee is 50 cents per page for adults.** Junior and non-competitive exhibits entry fee is 25 cents per page. Inside measurements of frames are 18 inches wide by 34 inches high. Each exhibition frame will hold six standard 8½ by 11 inch pages in three rows of two pages. A limited number of 16-page exhibit frames are reserved for members of the Chattanooga Stamp Club until April 15th, at which time they may be made available to other exhibitors. Please include a note on your exhibit application if you are willing to add pages to, or subtract pages from, your exhibit to use these frames in case they do become available.
6. Each entry, regardless of category, will be judged on its own merits. Each exhibit will be judged against accepted standards of philatelic achievement.
7. Each exhibitor must submit, with the application form, a preliminary copy of the title page, synopsis or outline, and a short bibliography. These items will be forwarded to the judges before the exhibition in order to assist them in making a more informed evaluation. Submission of these items is mandatory; any application received without them may be returned.
8. No exhibit, or any part thereof, may be removed from the exhibition floor before the close of the exhibition on Sunday, June 4, 2023.
9. The Exhibit Committee will decide all questions that may arise concerning HUNTSPEX 2023 that are not covered by these rules and regulations and their decision shall be final. The Exhibit Committee reserves the right to re-classify or reject any entry.

JUDGING

A competent Judge will be selected. The Judge will be guided by established rules and regulations and will select award levels for all exhibits. The Judge has the full power to withhold or to provide such awards as they feel appropriate. All decisions of the Judge will be final.

BOURSE

There will be 8-10 stamp dealers, 8-10 postcard dealers and 6-10 Coin dealers at the bourse. There is no admission charge to the bourse and parking is free.

EXHIBITION AWARDS

HUNTSPEX GRAND AWARD — Best exhibit at the show not restricted to membership of any club or society.

HUNTSPEX MEMORIAL AWARD — Second best exhibit at the show not restricted to membership of any club or society.

GOLD, VERMEIL, SILVER, SILVER BRONZE, and BRONZE AWARDS — for open competition not restricted to membership of any club or society. There is no limit to the number of awards that may be presented in any grade.

APS AWARD — Donated by the American Philatelic Society for the best exhibit entered by an APS member.

ATA AWARD — Donated by the American Topical Association for the best entry with a topical theme and not restricted to membership of any club or society.

GERMANY PHILATELIC SOCIETY MEDAL — Best exhibit of German material. Donated by the Germany Philatelic Society. There must be at least three exhibitors in this category for this award to be presented.

BRITISH NORTH AMERICA PHILATELIC SOCIETY — Best BNA Exhibit Blue Ribbon donated by the BNAPS. There must be at least four exhibitors in this category for this award to be presented.

WOMEN EXHIBITORS STERLING ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL — Most notable accomplishment in treatment aspects of exhibit preparation. Donated by Women Exhibitors (WE). Open to all exhibitors.

MAURICE APFELBAUM AWARD — Donated by Earl P. L. Apfelbaum, Inc., for the best entry by an individual who has not previously exhibited in competition in any stamp exhibition.

NOVICE AWARD — Best entry by an individual who has not previously exhibited in competition in any stamp exhibition. This award is open to all ages.

AAPE AWARD OF HONOR — Best exhibit exemplifying the high standards of philatelic exhibit presentation. Donated by The American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors.

UNITED STATES STAMP SOCIETY AWARD — Best exhibit of United States stamps receiving a silver or higher in open competition. Donated by The United States Stamp Society, formerly The Bureau Issues Association.

JUNIOR AWARD — Best exhibit submitted by a young person who will be under 18 years of age on May 31, 2023.

ISWSC YOUTH MERIT AWARD CERTIFICATE — Best youth exhibit displaying an outstanding use of worldwide stamps. Donated by The International Society of Worldwide Stamp Collectors.

ATA YOUTH AWARD MEDAL — Best Youth topical or thematic exhibit. Donated by the American Topical Association.

PUBLIC VIEWER AWARD — Best exhibit as voted by the viewing public. All exhibits are eligible.

ADDITIONAL AWARDS — as may become available between the release of this prospectus and HUNTSPEX 2023.

1, 2 and 4 Page Awards — 1, 2 and 4 Page awards will be awarded ribbons based on their own evaluation system.

AWARDS PRESENTATION DINNER

Saturday, June 4, 2023 - 6:00 PM at a location to be determined. Reservations are not absolutely necessary but you may want to stop by the club services table if you have any questions or to let us know if you are planning to attend.

Exhibitors, dealers, club members and their family are invited to join us at the Awards Presentation Dinner. This annual HUNTSPEX tradition, an evening out with philatelic friends is always an enjoyable and memorable event; we hope you are able to join us.

HUNTSPEX 2023 EXHIBIT ENTRY APPLICATION

Huntsville Philatelic Club, P.O. Box 4384, Huntsville, Alabama 35815-4384

Enter the following exhibit in HUNTSPEX 2023 subject to the rules and regulations which I have read and agree to be bound.

Title and brief description of exhibit _____
as it will appear in the show program: _____

Numbers of Frames ____ OR Number of Pages ____

Each exhibitor must submit, with this entry form, a preliminary copy of the title page, synopsis or outline, and a short bibliography. These items will be forwarded to the judges before the exhibition in order to assist them in making a more informed evaluation. SUBMISSION OF THESE ITEMS IS MANDATORY; ANY APPLICATION RECEIVED WITHOUT THEM MAY BE RETURNED.

- ☐ I will bring exhibit with me, check in with Exhibit Chairman at 8 AM Saturday, June 3, 2023 and mount my own exhibit.
- ☐ I will send my exhibit to the Chairman of the Exhibit Committee, P.O. Box 4384, Huntsville, Alabama 35815-4384, so that it will arrive not earlier than May 24, 2023 and not later than May 31, 2023.
- ☐ I understand that my exhibit will be returned insured, parcel post. Valuation of my exhibit for return is \$ _____. Unless otherwise requested, exhibits will be insured for \$200.00. Please enclose sufficient funds for the return of your exhibit. All excess funds will be refunded. Additional postage will be billed.
- ☐ I will pick up my exhibit after checking in with Exhibit Chairman at 3 PM Sunday, June 4, 2023.

I am a member of the following Societies: APS# _____, GPS# _____, ATA# _____, AAPE# _____

Enter my exhibit as a ☐ competitive exhibit; reserve _____ six-page frames for me at \$3.00 per frame (50 cents per page).

Enter my exhibit as a ☐ non-competitive exhibit; reserve _____ six-page frames for me at \$1.50 per frame (25 cents per page).

Enter my exhibit as a ☐ junior exhibit (under age 18); reserve _____ frames for me at \$1.50 per frame (25 cents per page).

Enclosed is the frame fee of \$ _____ plus \$ _____ for the return postage and insurance of my exhibit to me. Make checks payable to the Huntsville Philatelic Club.

My exhibit type is ☐ Traditional ☐ Postal History ☐ Postal Stationery ☐ Aerophilately ☐ Astrophilately ☐ Display
☐ Revenue ☐ Thematic ☐ First Day Cover ☐ Illustrated Mail ☐ Cinderella ☐ Postcard

☐ I am a Junior exhibitor (Birthday: _____); and/or ☐ I am a Novice exhibitor (first time exhibiting).

☐ My exhibit is a previous winner of the HUNTSPEX Grand Award and/or two club member awards. Please enter it in the Champion of Champions competition (you must contact Exhibit Chairman for additional requirements for this category).

By submission of this application, I authorize the use of my name in the HUNTSPEX 2023 show program and post show award announcements. Exhibitor's name only will be used; no additional exhibitor information will be published in the show program.

By submission of this application, I understand I am responsible for insuring my exhibit; I will not hold the Huntsville Philatelic Club, its officers or members, or the city of Huntsville or its employees liable for any loss or damage to my exhibit.

Signature _____ Date _____

[Print] Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip+4 _____

E-mail _____ (for club use only, will not be released)

Note: For inclusion in the exhibition, this entry application must be in the hands of the Chairman of the Exhibition Committee by May 8, 2023, or earlier if all frames are filled. For any special instructions regarding your exhibit please use back of this page.

HUNTSPEX 2023 EXHIBIT COMMITTEE USE ONLY:

Date Entry Form Received: _____

Amount Received – Frame Fees: \$_____

Amount Received – Postage Costs: \$_____

Date Confirmation Sent: _____

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FROM EXHIBITOR: