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Atlanta Stamp Collector's Club

Affiliate club **#0357-031583**

June 2024 Newsletter

WE HOPE ALL OUR MEMBERS CAN ATTEND MEETINGS - WE TRY TO MAKE IT EASY!

Starting in May we have a new meeting location: Intown Community Church at 2059 LaVista Road NE, Atlanta, GA. Our meeting is on main level room 204 – 206, a large room with tables and chairs. See the map and photo later in the newsletter. Meetings will still be the Second Sunday from 3:00 to 5:00.

The ZOOM meeting is on the 4th Monday. We will continue this as a "virtual" Atlanta Stamp Collector's Club meeting hosted by member Lloyd Nutter. Lloyd sends out a Zoom invitation a couple days before the meeting. If you do not get an invitation for the meetings, please contact Lloyd to make sure he adds you to his list. Emailing him: Stamps1840.2000@gmail.com. Also, if you need to test how Zoom works, Lloyd will be glad to give you a test.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 1 Stamp Trading at home of Don Laberteaux, 5008 Brandlwood Ct., Lilburn, GA from 9 – 11 a.m. Coffee, talking and stamps. Call Don at 770-381-7114 for details.

June 1 - 2 HUNTSPEX 2024. Jaycee Community Building, 2180 Airport Road SW, Huntsville, AL 35802. Free Admission. 10 – 5 Saturday, 10 – 3 Sunday. https://www.huntsville.org/event/huntspex-2024-stamp-and-postcard-show/51339/

June 7 – 9 NAPEX National Philatelic Exhibitions of Washington DC. McLean Hilton at Tyson's Corner, 7920 Jones Branch Dr. McLean, VA This is a WSP show. http://www.napex.org

June 9 Atlanta Stamp Collector's Club in person at Intown Community Church,2059 LaVista Road NE, Atlanta, GA. Room 204-206. Auction and Show and Tell.

June 15 Georgia Postcard Club monthly meeting 11:00 am – 2:00 pm. Decatur Recreation Center / Decatur Active Living. (Next door to Decatur Public Library and just a block from Decatur MARTA station.) 231 Sycamore St. Decatur, GA.

June 24 Atlanta Stamp Collector's club ZOOM meeting starting at 7:00 pm. Program by Garfield Portch on "The Early Rapid Cancelling Machines of Canada".

July 6 Stamp Trading at home of Don Laberteaux, 5008 Brandlwood Ct., Lilburn, GA from 9 – 11 a.m. Coffee, talking and stamps. Call Don at 770-381-7114 for details.

July 27 - 28 CHARPEX 2024 Worrell Building, 1228 Elizabeth Ave. Charlotte, NC hours 10 – 6 Saturday and 10 – 4 Sunday.

August 3 Stamp Trading at home of Don Laberteaux, 5008 Brandlwood Ct., Lilburn, GA from 9 – 11 a.m. Coffee, talking and stamps. Call Don at 770-381-7114 for details.

August 15-18 Great American Stamp Show. Co-hosted by American Philatelic Society, American Topical Association and American First Day Cover Society. Connecticut Convention Center, Hall AB, 100 Columbus Blvd., Hartford, CT https://stamps.org/great-american-stamp-show

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Gwinnett Stamp Club will be changing their monthly meetings to Third Saturday from 10 – 12 starting with March 16. Meetings will be in the Youth Room at Mountain Park United Methodist Church

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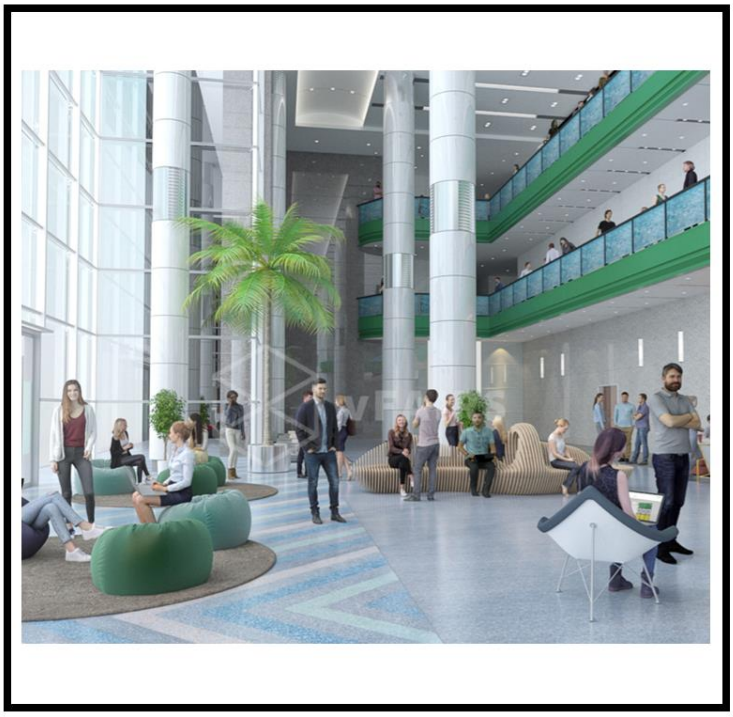
A REVIEW

Written by Colin Clark



VIRTUAL STAMPEX 2024 is now in the history books, and I hope you were able to spend some time attending the show. My experiences were entirely positive; from displaying my one-page exhibit (in the **Display Your Way** hall) to entering lots of free competitions.

The show entirely lived up to its expectations, with much chat between all corners of the globe, and some truly exceptional debates in the **Roundtables**.

A good **Roundtable** example was **The Future of Exhibiting**. The **Philatelic Trader's Society** (**PTS**) sits on both the UK and European committees currently addressing the problems of the diminishing population of exhibitors. There was much brainstorming at this **Roundtable** about how to address this problem. The **PTS** will now take those ideas back to the regulatory committees.

One intriguing idea is to create a new second-tier of competitive exhibiting where the rules are nowhere near as strict as the current top tier; where novice exhibitors will be encouraged to **display their own way**, and they will be loosely judged. Ribbons would be awarded. Encouragement is the key.

The hope is that novice exhibitors will ultimately be encouraged to go up a level and then take on the more formal current exhibiting format afterwards.

The **American Philatelic Society** hosted the very busy **Collector's Lounge**, where there were presentations and also many chat rooms. The **Booth Hall** also appeared active with many dealers such as **Stanley Gibbons** (image shown below).

All in all, it was a wonderful virtual experience with many connections with collectors from literally all over the world. Looking forward to the 2025 version already!

NOTE: If you want to get a sneak peak of the show experience, then you can view the **YouTube PTS** thirteen (13) minute video that takes you on a guided tour (link below):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YQdQb5Nb4xo

Enjoy the tour!

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AMERICAN TOPICAL ASSOCIATION

The One Page Exhibits are now posted from the 2024 competition. There are exhibits from all around the world. I saw one on Armenian Cuisine (Scott ?)

And both Dragons and Dance which are my topics were interesting to see. Member Steve Swain entered an exhibit on Revenue stamps in the postal history section. Check this link.

https://ataexhibits.com/mope/2024-exhibit-list/

You can also view previous year exhibits to get further ideas so you can submit an exhibit next year.

The once-every-10-years World Stamp Expo in the USA is scheduled in Boston 2026. Two years out, the website is filled with useful information (www.boston2026.org).

Bulletin #1 Now Available

As a current step, the organization has just published **BULLETIN #1**. It is directly available on their website as a fifty-two (**52**) page **PDF** file. The next BULLETIN is scheduled to be published in the Fall of 2024.

The contents of **BULLETIN #1** include a description of the event and the hierarchical structure of the organization. There is also an interesting stand-alone article about Boston postal history.

A list of dealers currently committed to the show is published. Participating Postal Authorities and Administrations are yet to be published.

Having attended **New York 2016** myself, if Boston lives up to New Yorks legacy, then 2026 promises to be the biggest and best stamp show you will ever attend.

Two years ahead, if you look at **BULLETIN #1**, then it will give you some idea of the huge scale of this event.

Hotels: Booking for show hotels is slated to start in the **Spring** of **2025**. More hotels are still being added to their list. Booking will be available through the organizations partner website.

HOTELs

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THE ATLANTA STAMP COLLECTORS CLUB LIBRARY

The library catalog for the club is posted on the club website. If you find a book you want to check out notify club secretary LeA Coe at leacoe3002@gmail.com and it will be available at the next in person club meeting. Books may be checked out by any club member and there is no due date.

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Starting in May 2024, our new meeting location will be Intown Community Church at 2059 LaVista Road NE, Atlanta, GA. Our meeting is on main level room 204 – 206, a large room with tables and chairs.

The driveway to use is closest to Toco Hills / North Druid Hills Rd, not close to Houston Mill Rd. See the picture for routing into the parking lot – drive around the back of the church to park near the marked entrance door.

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All prior newsletters of the club are available on our club web-site. http://www.sefsc.org/atlanta-stamp-collectors-club.html Check out the additional content – prior presentations and news.

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If you are interested in presenting at our ZOOM meetings, please contact Scott Holmberg or me to schedule a date.

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