

PROSPECTUS - PIPEX 2015

An American Philatelic Society World Series of Philately (WSP) Event
May 8, 9, 10, 2015

Red Lion Hotel on the River - Jantzen Beach, Portland, Oregon

Sponsored by: THE NORTHWEST FEDERATION OF STAMP CLUBS

Hosted by: OREGON STAMP SOCIETY

Important Dates	
Feb, 15, 2015	Deadline for convening societies' exhibit application preference
April 1, 2015	Deadline for exhibit applications and for updated title/synopses pages
May 5, 2015	Deadline for receiving shipped exhibits
May 7, 2015	Personal delivery of exhibits

A. Exhibitors:

- a) Any collector, regardless of residence or club affiliation, is eligible to enter a competitive exhibit by conforming to the requirements of this prospectus. An exhibit winning the APS Champion of Champions award within the previous 12 months is not eligible for competition. Exhibits winning PIPEX Grand awards are not eligible for competition for two years after their award.
- b) All competitive exhibits must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor.

B. Exhibit Classes:

- a) GENERAL OPEN CLASS is open to any competitive exhibit except those eligible for either the youth or one-frame class. The General Open Class is divided into the following Divisions:

Division 1 POSTAL

- Traditional
- Postal History
- Postal Stationery
- Aerophilately
- Astrophilately

Division 2 REVENUE

Division 3 THEMATIC

The jury may reclassify any exhibit without recourse.

Division 4 ILLUSTRATED MAIL

- Advertising, Patriotic and Event Covers
- Cacheted First Day Covers
- Maximaphily

Division 5 CINDERELLA

Division 6 DISPLAY

Division 7 PICTURE POST CARDS

- b) ONE FRAME CLASS – **only 12 such exhibits will be accepted. Until February 15, 2015, preference will be given to the convening organizations' exhibits.**

- c) YOUTH CLASS is open to exhibitors who will be age 21 or younger on January 1, 2015. Entry applications for this class must include a statement, endorsed by an adult, that the entry is the property of, and was prepared by, the entrant.

C. Entry:

- a) An individual exhibitor may submit more than one entry. In the event the number of entries exceeds the available space, at most one multi-frame and one single-frame exhibit will be accepted from each exhibitor; this limitation may be waived for members of convening societies.
- b) All exhibits must be entered by Class and Division on the official entry form provided by the PIPEX Exhibit Committee. The correct fees must accompany the entry form.
- c) Entries will be accepted up to April 1, 2015, or until all available space has been filled if that event should occur earlier.
- d) Receipt of entries will be promptly acknowledged. A defined number of frames are reserved for the convening organizations until February 15, 2014.
- e) Signing the official entry form denotes acceptance by the exhibitor of all requirements set out in this prospectus.

f) Each exhibit entry must include (1) the Entry Form, (2) the title page and/or a one- or two-page synopsis, and (3) the required fee. Entry form and payment must be mailed to George Struble, 210 18th St. NE, Salem, OR 97301. Title pages, and synopses may also be mailed to the same address, but the PIPEX Committee *prefers* to receive them by email to gstruble@willamette.edu, in Word, PDF, or rtf format attachments to an email message.

Entries submitted without the title page or a synopsis will not be accepted. Revised title pages and/or synopses may be forwarded by April 1, 2015 to the mail or email address just given.

D. Frames and Pages:

a) Exhibits will be displayed in frames that hold 16 pages, maximum 8.5 inches by 11 inches or A4 in size, in 4 horizontal rows of 4 pages each. Wider pages are acceptable if they fit in a row of a frame.

b) Pages must be numbered consecutively on the back, bear the exhibitor's name on the back (not the front), and be enclosed in transparent sheet protectors.

c) Each GENERAL OPEN CLASS exhibit is limited to a maximum of ten (10) frames. Each YOUTH CLASS exhibit is limited to a maximum of five (5) frames.

E. Exhibit Fees:

(a) All exhibitors are required to pay an entry fee of \$35 (US funds) per exhibit irrespective of the number of frames required. Each frame requested will also be charged at \$5 (US funds) per frame. Thus, single frame exhibits must pay fees of \$40 each, a 5-frame exhibit \$60, and a ten frame exhibit \$85.

(b) Youth Class – Free

Note: If the exhibit is to be returned to the exhibitor by the PIPEX Exhibit Committee after the show, the full amount of return postage plus insurance must be remitted with the entry application. Excess amounts over \$1.00 will be refunded.

F. Delivery:

a) Exhibitors can deliver their exhibits in person or via an agent. Otherwise, exhibits should be sent via USPS registered mail or express carrier such as FEDEX. Other material should not be enclosed in the same package with the exhibit.

b) Mailed exhibits must be shipped prepaid to be received by the PIPEX Exhibit Committee no later than May 5, 2015. Exhibits delivered by an exhibitor or an agent may be handed to the PIPEX Exhibit Committee between the hours of 3:00 and 7:00 p.m., May 7, 2015 at Red Lion Hotel on the River - Janzten Beach.

c) If the exhibit is to be mailed via **USPS**, it should be sent to:

Anthony S. Wawrukiewicz
2015 PIPEX Show Chairman
PO Box 19568
Portland, OR 97280

If the exhibit is sent via **FEDEX** (ie, private carrier), it should be sent to:

Anthony S. Wawrukiewicz
2015 PIPEX Show Chairman
3130 SW Wilbard St.
Portland, OR 97219

Please note that the address for sending exhibit *applications* is not the same as that for sending *exhibits*.

G. Exhibition Hours/Exhibit Return:

a) The exhibition will open at 10:00 a.m. on May 8 and will close at 4:00 p.m. on May 10.

b) Exhibitors or their agents, on providing proof of identity, may obtain their exhibit from the PIPEX Exhibit Committee immediately after the close of the exhibition.

c) No exhibit or part thereof may be mounted, dismantled, or removed during official show hours, or while visitors are present in the exhibit area. Please do not exhibit if you will need to take your exhibit down before 4:00 p.m. on May 10, 2014. Those with tight airline schedules will be allowed access to takedown at 4:00 p.m. but others will take their position in takedown by lottery.

H. Insurance:

- a) Exhibit owners must provide their own insurance.
- b) All reasonable precautions will be taken for safeguarding the exhibits while they are in the possession of the PIPEX Committee. The exhibit area and bourse will have 24-hour security guards.
- c) The exhibitor agrees that no responsibility of any kind or character will attach to the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs nor to any officers or members of the same, nor to the Oregon Stamp Society or to any of its officers or members, nor to the PIPEX Committee or to any of its members, nor to the Portland Philatelic Exhibitions, nor to The Red Lion on the River Hotel or its employees, for any loss or damage to any exhibit or material submitted in competition or non-competition, from any cause whatsoever.

I. Judging:

- a) A panel of APS accredited judges has been selected who will make decisions by deliberation and consultation among themselves, and whose decision will be final.
- b) Judges will be provided the exhibit title and/or synopsis pages to assist in their preparation. Title pages will also be made available on the PIPEX website unless the exhibitor indicates on the Application Form he/she wishes to opt out of this feature.
- c) Judging will be in accordance with the current APS *Manual of Philatelic Judging*. It is strongly recommended that exhibitors study the latest edition of the APS *Manual of Philatelic Judging*, available on the APS web site (www.stamps.org).

J. Awards:

- a) For the GENERAL OPEN CLASS the PIPEX Exhibit Committee will place at the disposition of the judges, PIPEX gold, vermeil, silver, silver-bronze and bronze medals plus ribbons, certificates of award, certificates of appreciation and other awards, including those for the Grand and Reserve Grand award.
- b) For the SINGLE FRAME CLASS, judging will be based on the same five levels of awards, with a Grand award for the best single frame exhibit.
- c) All awards will be granted in accordance with merits of the exhibit, without regard to Division. No award in a class or Division will be made if, in the opinion of the judges, the exhibits are of insufficient merit.
- d) The winner of the multi-frame PIPEX Grand Award will be eligible for, and is expected to enter, the APS Champion of Champions competition at the APS STAMPSHOW, August 20-23, 2015 in Grand Rapids, MI. The winner of the single-frame PIPEX Grand Award will be eligible for, and is expected to enter, the APS One-frame Champion of Champions competition at the Ameristamp Show, January 29-31, 2016 in Norcross, Georgia. The PIPEX Committee will provide the STAMPSHOW and Ameristamp entry fees for the Grand Award winners from PIPEX.

K. Awards Banquet:

- a) An Awards Banquet, at which exhibitors will be recognized and presented with awards and prizes, will be at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 9. The Banquet will be preceded by a no-host bar and reception.
- b) Tickets are \$50 each. Exhibitors are encouraged to attend. Tickets may be ordered using the Exhibit Application form.

L. Ruling Authority:

Any and all questions that may arise concerning the exhibition which are not provided for by the requirements of this prospectus will be decided by the PIPEX Host Committee in its sole and absolute discretion.

M. Questions:

Send all correspondence to: Exhibits Chair George Struble, 210 18th St. NE, Salem, OR 97301
gstruble@willamette.edu