

NAPEX 2007

***An American Philatelic Society Accredited
National Level Exhibition***

PROSPECTUS & ENTRY FORM

*The National Philatelic Exhibitions of
Washington, D.C., Inc.,*

will hold its
43rd National Stamp Exhibition

JUNE 1 to 3, 2007

at

The McLean Hilton at Tysons Corner
7920 Jones Branch Drive
McLean, Virginia 22102

IMPORTANT DATES

April 1, 2007	Closing date for receipt of Entry Form, title page &/or synopsis
May 1, 2007	Latest date for receipt of revisions of title page & synopsis
May 23, 2007	Earliest date for mailed-in exhibit to arrive NB: Packages mailed from overseas must clear customs and even when sent by air, can take over two weeks to arrive. <i>Please allow sufficient time.</i>
May 30, 2007	Latest date for arrival for mailed-in exhibits
May 31, 2007	Exhibit mounting; exhibitors mounting their own exhibits may do so between 2:00 and 6:00 pm.
June 1, 2007	NAPEX opens at 10:00 am
June 2, 2007	NAPEX Awards Banquet at 7:30 pm (tickets may be purchased by Official entry form or at the show).
June 3, 2007	NAPEX closes at 4:00 pm. Exhibit dismantling commences as soon as possible thereafter.

NAPEX 2007
Conditions for Exhibiting

A: ELIGIBILITY

1. **NAPEX** is open to all collectors regardless of philatelic affiliation who conform to the rules contained in this Prospectus, and apply on the Official Entry Form.
2. All material exhibited must be owned by the person (or an immediate family member) whose name appears on the Official Entry Form. Material with dual or corporate ownership entered for competition is respectfully declined.
3. The exhibit must not contain material being offered for sale during the course of the show.
4. An exhibit whose material was purchased or inherited substantially intact may not be exhibited until at least 50% of its content is composed of material from other sources.
5. Junior exhibitors must be under the age of 21 on June 1, 2007.
6. Exhibits that have won the Grand Award at a previous **NAPEX**, won the APS - sponsored Champion-of-Champions competition or been in that competition three times, won an international Grand Prix (national, international or honor), or won three large gold medals at the international level are not eligible to compete.
7. No exhibit may be shown competitively two years in consecutive years.
8. Exhibitors' names will appear in the program and will be used in conjunction with the awards. To remain anonymous, exhibitors must so advise the Exhibits Committee on the Entry form and furnish a pseudonym.

B: EXHIBITS

1. *General Competition Exhibits* must comprise a minimum of two frames and a maximum of ten frames. *Youth Competition Exhibits* must comprise a minimum of one frame and a maximum of five frames.
2. An exhibitor may request consideration of more than one exhibit providing separate Entry Forms are submitted for each exhibit. No more than two exhibits will be accepted from the same person.
3. The exhibit must be mounted on pages, numbered on the back in sequential order. Each page must be enclosed in a transparent sheet protector, closed on three sides.
4. Exhibits must not show the name of, or otherwise identify, the owner of the exhibit — although the name and address is permitted on exhibited covers.
5. Forgeries must be so identified; failure to do so may result in the exhibit being downgraded.
6. With the exception of the final preparation of the exhibit pages, all work must be that of the exhibitor.
7. The Entry Form for Literature should be obtained from **NAPEX** Director Norval Rasmussen, 1526 Mileground Rd, Morgantown, WV 26505, or from literature@napex.org.

C: FRAMES AND FLOOR PLAN

1. Exhibits will be displayed in 3ft. by 4ft. standard (Ameripex type) aluminum frames which hold 16 pages (up to 9 by 12 inches) mounted in rows of four pages. Entries with larger, vertical or odd-sized pages may be accommodated but must receive the prior approval of the Committee before they can be accepted.
2. Every effort will be made to avoid splitting an exhibit between rows or turn a corner.
3. The Committee reserves the right to place exhibits according to its own plan. Committee decisions are final.

D: JUDGING AND AWARDS

1. All exhibits will be judged and awards made in accordance with the *APS Manual of Philatelic Judging*.
2. The Committee will make every effort to obtain special awards and make them available to the jury. These awards will be made at the discretion of the jury and in compliance with the criteria established by their donors.
3. The winner of the **NAPEX** Grand Award shall be eligible for, and will be expected to enter, the APS Champion-of-Champions competition.
4. All awards will be presented at the **NAPEX** Awards Banquet, to be held Saturday June 2, 2007 at 7:30 pm. Banquet tickets may be purchased at the show or ordered on and paid for along with the Entry form.

E: EXHIBIT CLASSIFICATION

1. In the General Competition, exhibit classifications are used to assist in the arrangement of exhibits and to determine eligibility for special awards. Exhibitors should select, and note the classification on the Entry Form that best describes their exhibit. Sub-classification into Division status is desirable but not essential. However, the Exhibition Committee for exhibit placement, and the jury for awards, may reclassify an exhibit into a different category. The final classification category rests with the jury, whose decision will be final and without appeal.

F: LIABILITY AND INSURANCE

1. **NAPEX** will take all practical precautions to ensure exhibit safety and proper handling during the exhibition, including 24-hour professional security surveillance. However, no liability will attach to **NAPEX**, any of its officers, directors, Committee members or representatives, or to The McLean Hilton at Tysons Corner or any of its employees or departments for any loss or damage whatsoever to any material, whether submitted for competition or not for competition, arising from any cause or reason whatsoever.
2. No special security arrangements can be made by an exhibitor without the prior approval of the Committee.
3. Any desired insurance is the exhibitor's sole responsibility. Any coverage obtained should include the period of the show and the time the exhibit is in transit to and from the exhibition, or in storage.

G: LOGISTICS

1. Exhibits will be mounted Thursday, May 31, 2007. The Committee will mount mailed-in exhibits with such other volunteer assistance as may be required. Exhibitors desiring to mount their own exhibits should arrive at The McLean Hilton at Tysons Corner on that day between 2:00 pm and 6:00 pm.
2. Exhibits will be dismantled starting as soon as possible after the close of **NAPEX** on Sunday, June 3, 2007 in order determined by lottery. For security reasons, no exhibit may be dismantled earlier (travel plans should be made accordingly). The exhibit may be removed thereafter only when signed for by the exhibitor or duly authorized agent (as indicated on the Entry form), and only when checked out and released by the Committee.
3. Exhibits will be returned as directed by the exhibitor on the Entry form provided payment in full has been received. It is strongly recommended that USPS Express Mail service be utilized.

H: FEES AND ENTRY PROCEDURES

1. Space for a 25-word (or less) description of the exhibit is provided on the Entry Form. This description (subject to editing, if necessary) will be used in the official **NAPEX** program.
2. To assist the judges in understanding the exhibits, ten (10) copies of the Title Page and synopsis of the exhibit **must accompany** the Entry form. These may be modified at a later date, if so desired.
3. Open and Display Class Exhibit entry fees are \$10.00 per frame (*gratis* for Youth Open); \$25.00 per exhibit for One-frame Exhibits. Banquet tickets are \$45.00. Fees and return postage must be paid at the time of submission of the Entry form. Checks, made payable to **NAPEX** and all Official Entry Forms must be mailed to:
Dr. John Warren, Exhibits Chairman, P.O. Box 70464, Washington, D.C. 20024. The Exhibits Chairman may be reached at 202-564-6876 or by e-mail: warren.john@epa.gov.
4. Notification regarding whether an exhibit has been accepted will be mailed to each applicant as soon as practicable after receipt of the Entry Form and fees. The fees will be returned to any exhibitor whose exhibit is not accepted by the Committee.
5. The Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any exhibit. Exhibitors are advised that entries from members of convening societies will receive preference for frame allocation.
6. Failure to exhibit after receipt of acceptance by **NAPEX** of the exhibit will result in forfeiture of the entry fee.

I: GENERAL

1. Any and all questions that may arise concerning the exhibition and not provided for by these rules and regulations shall be decided by the Committee at its sole and absolute discretion, and whose decision shall be final.
2. Signing of the Provisional Entry Form by either the exhibitor or the exhibitor's duly authorized agent shall signify understanding and unqualified acceptance of all rules, regulations, and conditions printed in this Prospectus.
3. Latest details of **NAPEX** may be obtained from the Web-site: www.napex.org

NAPEX 2007 ENTRY FORM

Closing Date: April 1, 2007

Exhibitor's Name:

Mailing Address:

City, State, and Zip Code:

Telephone Number:

e-mail address:

Exhibit Title:

Description:

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Number of Frames Requested:

Indicate Classification of Exhibit (see **APS Manual of Philatelic Judging: How Exhibits are Judged**, 5th edition, 2002, for explanations of these classes):

<input type="checkbox"/> General Class	<input type="checkbox"/> Single Frame Class
<input type="checkbox"/> Postal Division <input type="checkbox"/> Revenue Division <input type="checkbox"/> Thematic Division <input type="checkbox"/> Illustrated Mail Division <input type="checkbox"/> Charity/Promotional/Cinderella Division <input type="checkbox"/> Display Division	<input type="checkbox"/> Postal Division <input type="checkbox"/> Revenue Division <input type="checkbox"/> Thematic Division <input type="checkbox"/> Illustrated Mail Division <input type="checkbox"/> Charity/Promotional/Cinderella Division <input type="checkbox"/> Display Division
<input type="checkbox"/> Youth Class (age as of 1 June 2007)	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-competitive Class

Please indicate society affiliations in order to qualify for special awards available only to society members

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Scandinavian Collectors Club | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports Philatelists International |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Member of a Virginia Philatelic Federation affiliated club | <input type="checkbox"/> First time exhibitor |

REQUIRED & OPTIONAL FEES

Amount enclosed for frame fees at \$10.00 per frame (Youth gratis) \$.....

Amount enclosed for one frame exhibit(s) at \$25 per frame (Youth gratis) \$.....

Amount enclosed for return postage and insurance \$.....

Amount banquet tickets at \$45 each (Number required) \$.....

Total \$

If you do not wish your name used in the program or palmares please provide a pseudonym under which you wish to be listed:

Exhibitor plans to attend NAPEX yes no

Exhibitor plans to stay at the McLean Hilton (a special rate of \$116 per night is available from the hotel.) yes no

Exhibit will be delivered by: Self Agent* Mail**

Exhibit will be returned by: Self Agent* Mail**

* If this box is checked, please provide the name of the Agent:

** If this box is checked, **you must mail the exhibit to arrive between May 23 and May 30, 2007**, and provide return Express Mail fees. *NAPEX strongly recommends the use of USPS EXPRESS Mail both to and from the exhibition.*

I, the undersigned, have read the rules for exhibiting and hereby certify that I am eligible to exhibit under the terms outlined therein. I further understand that if accepted as an exhibitor, I will be responsible for insuring my exhibit, and agree that no liability for loss or damage to any of the materials exhibited will attach to NAPEX, any of its officers, directors, Committee members, or representatives, the McLean Hilton Hotel at Tysons Corner, or any of its employees or departments.

Exhibitor's Signature:

Please complete this form in type or block letters, and return with *ten copies of the title page and/or a synopsis of the exhibit*, and a check *in US funds, made payable to NAPEX*, for all applicable fees to:

**John Warren
P.O. Box 70464
Washington, D.C. 20024**