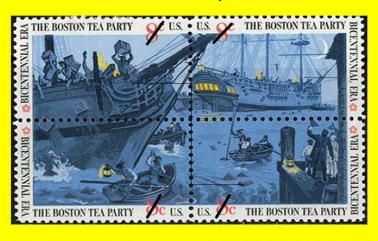
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Greetings and welcome to FLOREX 2023!

This year's theme celebrates the "250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party and...onto the Boston 2026 World Stamp Expo." The Florida Stamp Dealers' Association and the Central Florida Stamp Club are proud to be a leader in promoting the future of philately and the early highlighting of the Boston 2026 World Expo.

This year FLOREX includes:

- 1. 24 dealers from all across the country and Canada featuring a wide range of philatelic material. Take your time, browse their extensive stock and enjoy adding to your collection.
- 2. **24 exhibitors** who have submitted 32 exhibits filling 118 frames. Best of success with your exhibits!
- 3. APS accredited Judges Yamil Kouri (Chief Judge), Ronald Lesher and Raymond Pietruszka
- 4. Philatelic Societies exhibit awards provided by: APS, AAPE, ATA, USS, PHS. USPC, BNA, and CFSC.
- 5. Philatelic Societies attending: Florida Postal History Society; American Topical Association; The Manuscript Society, German Philatelic Society and the Canal Zone Study Group.
- 6. Donors: Mark Tiger, Robert Sazama, the Central Florida Stamp Club and myself. Thank you!
- 7. New this year a Dealers' Silent Auction staffed by the Central Florida Stamp Club. Stop by and put in your bids. Good luck to the buyers and best of success to the dealers!

A BIG THANK YOU to the dedicated volunteers of the Central Florida Stamp Club and the West Volusia Stamp Club for staffing the show and the FLOREX Planning Committee!

Enjoy FLOREX 2023! Long live Philately and please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours Sincerely,

Mike Schumacher

General Chairman, FLOREX

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Welcome to Sunny Florida and to FLOREX 2023!

It seems like yesterday that we all gathered for our first FLOREX World Series Philately (WSP) show at the Volusia County Fairgrounds in Deland, Florida. 2022 was the first time in a long time the show was not held in the Orlando vicinity so there was some uncertainty as to how things would go. It turns out the show was a success, and we hope this year you will find it to be even better!

The theme for FLOREX 2023 is to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the Boston Tea Party. This event took place for about 3 hours on a cold winter night on December 16, 1773. A group of Colonists led by Patriot Samuel Adams, also known as the Sons of Liberty, organized the event to protest the unfair tax on tea by destroying a large British tea shipment in Boston harbor. Their cause was to protest against taxation without representation. This important historical event, and many others, eventually led to our great country's Independence from British rule 3 years later on July 4, 1776. We celebrate the Boston Tea Party along with the much anticipated 250th anniversary of our Nation's Independence as we head to Boston for the 2026 World Expo! Show cachets are available at a reasonable price to commemorate this important event in our history – please stop by the registration table and get yours! Supplies are limited.

If this is your first time attending FLOREX, WELCOME! There are plenty of excellent opportunities to buy, sell, trade, or simply seek advice on anything stamps. We have a kid's table too so be sure to bring the 'lil ones for a bucket of free stamps. We hope to have several Scout troops attend to earn their Stamp Collecting Merit Badge. Also be sure to check out the exhibit area and learn more about stamps and history. And don't forget to vote for your favorite one. We welcome back our fellow dealers from across Florida and the U.S. as well as everyone visiting our show.

The Central Florida Stamp Club (CFSC) has been in existence since the 1940s and we have been honored to staff and assist the Florida Stamp Dealers' Association (FSDA) with FLOREX since 1986. Our club has nearly 100 active members and we cordially invite you to one of our meetings. Please visit the registration table for more information. Applications are available – we'd love to have you join us!

Welcome and enjoy the show!

Michael H. Smith

Michael H. Smith (Mike)

CFSC Programs Vice President / FLOREX Registrar





Welcome everybody to the 74th presentation of FLOREX!

This will be my final FLOREX as President of the FSDA and I want to thank everyone for helping us continue to make this show a success going into our 74th year. Thank you all for the support I have received over the last six years as your President. A lot has changed over the last several years, changes that although hard to take at times needed to be made to keep our organization moving forward.

Welcome to those dealers who have been here before, and welcome to all the newcomers experiencing FLOREX and our WSP event for the first time. Please make sure you visit the tables of these dealers who are at FLOREX for the first time, or are returning after missing a few years: Tom Hart, Quality Stamps, and Norman Hinds. As well as seeing all your favorite dealers.

This year we welcome 23 dealers occupying 32 booths from all over the United States, as well as dealers from Canada. As usual you will find a wide variety of materials covering all your needs or desires, and hopefully some surprises you were not expecting to find. The thrill is in the hunt and it's what keeps us coming back. Enjoy browsing through all the extensive stock of treasures our dealers have brought to this event, and good luck finding that one treasure you have been looking for!

I would like to personally thank all the volunteers that make this event possible, without them we would likely not be able to pull this off year after year. Special thanks to the Central Florida Stamp Club, as well as volunteers from the West Volusia Stamp Club, without this group of dedicated individuals' things would not have been done. Please be sure to thank our volunteers when you encounter them on the floor.

I hope everyone attending enjoys the show this year. I know a lot of work went into providing the best show possible.

If you have any questions or concerns, please visit me at the Browse House Booth #25 -- or track down our Show Chairman Mike Shumacher.

I look forward to meeting and talking to everyone this year. Enjoy the show!

Kathy Tiger-Savedow President FSDA

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Frank was a longtime FLOREX dealer who passed on the first day of August 2023 at the age of 84. His first career was with Sears Roebuck & Co., where he spent 30 years learning and refining the art of marketing – and he learned it well.

His second career was of course philatelic in nature. For more than 30 years he was a regular booth holder

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I had personally known Frank from when he first joined the FSDA in 2001. His demeanor at a show was always welcoming and he truly radiated warmth to one and all that stopped – whether it was simply to exchange a brief greeting or to buy material from his extensive stock. More than once a brief 'hello' turned into a long and entertaining conversation that most always resulted in a sale.

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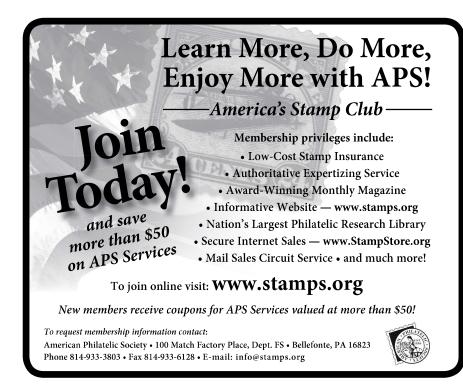
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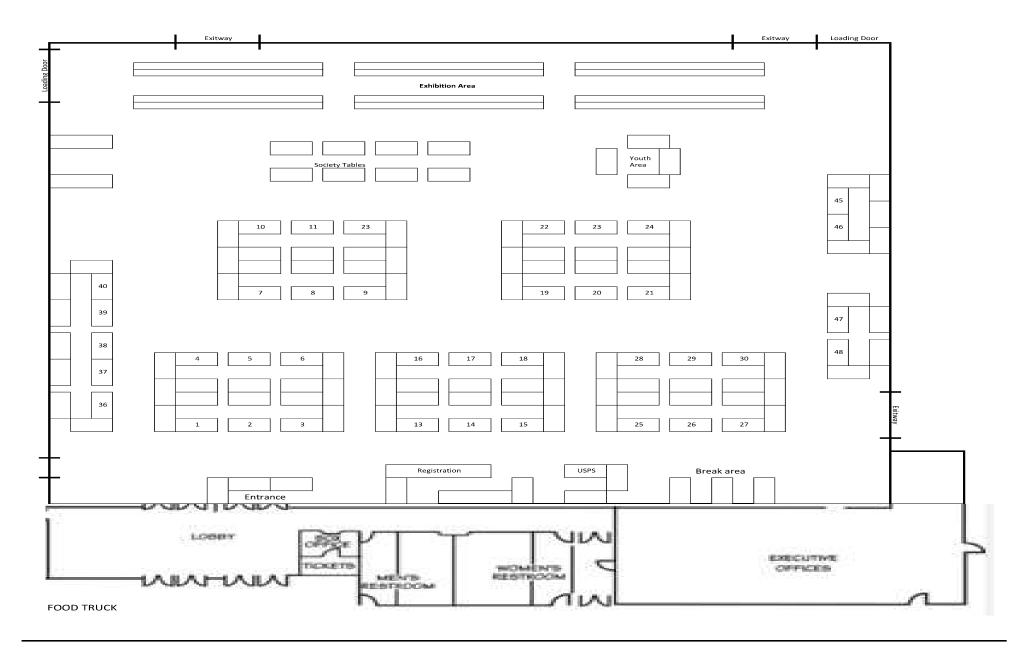
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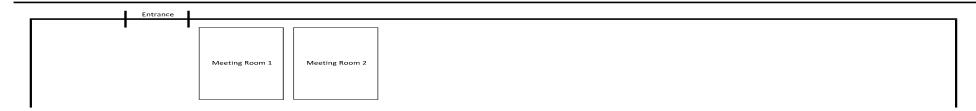
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	Public	Show Opens	10:00
	Public	Exhibits Open	All day
	Public	Bucket of Stamps (Youth Area)	All day
	Public	Show Cancel & Cachet Theme Boston Tea Party	All day
	Public	Florida Tax Stamps: Citrus & More by A. Stephen Patrick	11:00 to noon Hubert Talton Hall Meeting Room
Friday December 1, 2023	Public	Computer Vending Postage by Newt Kulp	noon to 1:00 Hubert Talton Hall Meeting Room
Dece	Public	Scouts	1:00 to 2:00 Hubert Talton Hall Meeting Room
	Public	Silent Auction Booth on south wall	11:30 to 2:00 Show Floor
	Public	Forum on Exhibiting - AAPE	2:00 to 3:00 Hubert Talton Hall Meeting Room
	Public	Canal Zone Study Group	At Society Table Time: TBA
	Public	Show Closes	6:00

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	Public	Show Opens	10:00
	Public	Youth Area opens	10:00
	Public	Exhibits Open	All day
	Public	Bucket of Stamps (Youth Area)	All day
	FSDA	General Meeting	8:30 to 9:30
	Membership Only	Show Floor	8.30 to 9.30
	Public	Show Cancel & Cachet Theme Boston	All day
		Tea Party	
Saturday December 2, 2023	Public	German Pictorial Cancellations by GPS#23	10:30 to 1:30 Hubert Talton Hall Meeting Room
Sa	Public	Silent Auction Booth on south wall	11:30 to 1:30 Show Floor
	Public	Florida Postal History Society Membership meeting & presentation of Orlando Postcards and Postal History	11:30 to 1:30 Hubert Talton Hall Meeting Room
	Public	Exhibitors & Public	1:30 to 2:30 Hubert Talton
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* The members of the FLOREX Planning Committee - Mark Tiger, Francis Ferguson, Robert Sazama, Newt Kulp, Mike Smith, Gary Byrd, Steve Patrick who generously gave of their time and knowledge to make sure everything comes together – additionally the contributions of - Robert Fisher as Assistant Exhibit Chair; Mike Smith – Registration Chair; Richard Blanchard – Youth Table Chair; Mel Borofsky – cachet design; Steve Patrick - Event Programs and Gary Byrd - Silent Auction Chair. Thank you! Your assistance is greatly appreciated and makes a huge difference to the success of the show!

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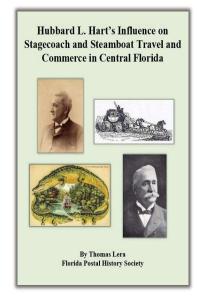
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Alphabet Soup FLOREX-FFSC-FSDA-CFSC

You may ask what do all four of these acronyms have in common? That would be the letter 'F' – as in Florida.

The first FLOREX held in 1949 was by modern standards a non-event. It was simply a one day gathering of like-minded collectors from around the state who met with the intention of forming an organization to further the aims of philately. There was no bourse but rather a "showing" of material by those attending. As FLOREX evolved in the first decade the show moved around from Miami to Tampa and Orlando (was hosted by the CFSC in 1953). There are few solid records pertaining to those early shows.

Very little has surfaced for much of the 1950s and 1960s; with only 5 show booklets being known for the first sixteen years of shows.

Out of this first group of philatelic folks formed the Florida Federation of Stamp Clubs which claimed a 1949 date for its inception. The FFSC remained active and published a monthly/ quarterly newsletter from 1951 to 1997. The publication *The Florida Philatelist* archives can be found at http:// CentralFloridaStampClub.org/ pages/FP.files -- this repository is considered the definitive reference for the philatelic community

in Central Florida. The work of processing and scanning this archive and preserving the information for future generations was supported financially by FSDA & CFSC. As the leadership of the FFSC collapsed the support for the old FLOREX also ceased – the 1999 show -- 50th year was the last sponsored by the FFSC.

As it became obvious in 1998 that the FFSC was going to cease to exist, a plan was presented to the FSDA BoD that would create a show to replace FLOREX.

The show that resulted from that effort took place in 2000 and ultimately became the newly minted *FLOREX* – *The Florida State Stamp Show*. The leadership of the FSDA played an important and critical role in this revitalization of FLOREX.

The Florida Stamp Dealers' Association came into existence in 1960 and was formed to further the aims of professional philately in the state. The last founding member (Carl Kish) passed away in the fall of 2020. The organization is now in year sixty-three of existence and continues to be relevant in the modern era with almost 90 professional members.

The FSDA entered the digital realm in the early years of the 1990s with the first dedicated

website. The website now averages about two thousand hits every week, (www.FloridaStampDealers.org).

The Central Florida Stamp Club (www.CentralFloridaStampClub.org) has archives proving the club's genesis from the middle 1940s and continuing into the modern era. The club currently has about 90 on the active roster and continues to be a vital and active member of the Central Florida philatelic community. The club sponsors two local shows a year (February & May) and is the official hosting organization for FLOREX, providing critical staffing for the event.

FLOREX (www.FLOREXStampShow.com) had a long run of years at the Expo Center in downtown Orlando and at the Central Florida Fairgrounds before moving for a short period to The Osceola Heritage Park in Kissimmee and finally landing at the Volusia County Fairgrounds as a two day event.

The digital footprint of FLOREX began in 2004 and continues to this day as the historical repository of show information. The width, depth and breadth of information related to FLOREX is extraordinary.

Over the decades countless individuals have played key roles in all four organizations: frequently holding administrative positions in multiple groups at the same time. While it would be easy to name some of those who are responsible for the success of the "Alphabet Soup", I would fear forgetting an individual who contributed extraordinarily. I will simply end with saying -- those that did great things will long be remembered in the history of the philatelic community of Florida.

The objective of all the efforts detailed in this article is to foster the hope and expectation that philately will live long and continue to prosper for generations to come (sorry for mangling the quote from Mr. Spock).

[The Editor, with contributions from Phillip Fettig]

Leonard Nimoy Vulcan Salute TOS-R "Amok Time"

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Exhibitor Prospectus -- FLOREX 2023, December 1-2

- 1. This exhibition is a WSP show open to all collectors regardless of philatelic affiliation who conform to the rules in this prospectus. Exhibits at time of entry that have won the APS Champion of Champions, an international grand prix, or three international large gold medals are ineligible. All material exhibited must be owned by the person(s) whose name(s) appears on the official entry form. Exhibits with dual ownership are not eligible unless the two individuals are husband and wife or parent and child. Exhibitors' names will be used in the program, in the palmares, in press releases after the show, and in connection with the awards. To remain anonymous, exhibitors must advise the exhibit committee and furnish a pseudonym.
- 2. Exhibits that have been purchased intact may not be exhibited for a period of two years from the date of purchase unless the exhibit is substantially altered by the addition of new material or new text. The Committee on the Accreditation of National Exhibitions and Judges will determine whether or not a particular exhibit is affected by this regulation.
- 3. An entry form for each exhibit, along with the entry fee payable by check (made out to FSDA), must be mailed to: FLOREX, Mike Schumacher, 21635 Regency Park Lane, Leesburg, FL, 34748 -- arriving by October 1, 2023. At most two multi-frame and one single-frame exhibits may be entered in the open competition by any one exhibitor. All fees paid will be refunded in case of non-acceptance but otherwise fees are non-refundable except as noted in #12 below.
- Exhibits may be entered in any one of four classes: General, Single Frame, Youth, and Noncompetitive.
- 5. There will be up to 125 total frames at the show. Noncompetitive exhibits will only be accepted if they add significantly to the show. Examples include famous or infrequently seen rarities, innovative exhibits including those that will not fit in standard frames, and exhibits related to the theme or location of the show.
- 6. Exhibits are generally accepted in the order of receipt of completed entry forms and payment, however, FLOREX reserves the right to refuse any exhibit. Criteria that may be considered in the acceptance of exhibits include APS member status, membership in Societies participating in the show, service on the local committee or as a volunteer, planned attendance of the show and or awards functions, submission of title or synopsis pages, and whether or not the exhibit has been previously shown at FLOREX.
- 7. A jury of at least three APS-accredited judges will be appointed by the Exhibition Committee and approved by CANEJ to judge the exhibits. The judges will judge each exhibit on its own merit set forth in the 7th edition of the APS Manual of Philatelic Judging & Exhibiting, which is available through a free download from www.Stamps.org. Judging will be on an open basis. Exhibitors should familiarize themselves with the rules in order to achieve the highest award. Decisions of the judges are final. Other special and society awards will also be given to deserving exhibits at the discretion of the jury. All awards will be announced at an awards ceremony the afternoon of Saturday, December 2, 2023.
- 8. The following awards will be given to each qualified exhibit, based on the individual merit of that exhibit: Large Gold, Gold, Large Vermeil, Vermeil, Large Silver, Silver, Silver Bronze, Bronze or Certificate. There is no limit on the number of any one award that can be given in the exhibition. Grand and Reserve Grand awards will be given to the top General Class multi-frame exhibits. Awards will also be given to the best Single Frame, the best Youth Class exhibit and the Most Popular Exhibit.

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- The Grand Award winner is expected to enter the winning exhibit in the next World Series of Philately, competing for the Champion of Champions award.
- Exhibitors who have an exhibiting age of 21 years of or less on January 1, 2023, may enter the Youth Class. Frames for youth exhibits are offered at \$1.00 per frame.
- 11. Adult exhibits have a one-frame minimum and a ten-frame maximum. (Jenkins/ Ameripex type frames, each holding four rows of four 8 1/2 by 11 inch pages will be used.) If you wish to deviate from the standard frame layout you must get the approval of the Exhibit Chair prior to submission of your application (call **Mike Schumacher 352-575-2553**). The use of double-wide (11 x 17) pages to display larger items is approved. Each album page must be inserted into a transparent protective sleeve, envelope or covering and should bear progressive numbers, preferably on the reverse side, to indicate the order in which the pages are to be mounted, preferably closed on three sides. The FLOREX Exhibit Chair should be consulted in advance regarding any exhibits with large or odd-sized pages that will not be mounted and dismounted by the owner or a designated agent.
- The Official Entry Form must be used. It has space for a description of the exhibit of no more 12. than 25 words for inclusion in the program. The title and description on the Official Entry Form will be used in the exhibition program. Do not exceed 25 words in the description. Please check your Official Entry Form carefully before mailing it. If the frames are over subscribed, only one exhibit may be accepted. Each exhibitor must also submit five copies of the title page and five copies of a one or two page summary synopsis outline of the exhibit at the time of application. Updates can be submitted up to October 1, 2023. The title page and synopsis for your exhibit will be distributed to the jury in advance of the show to assist them in preparing to evaluate your exhibit. A collector may submit more than one exhibit application, but the option to accept or decline the additional exhibits, is up to the Exhibition Committee. Separate entry forms must be used for each exhibit. The exhibit entry is \$10.00 per frame. However, the minimum fee for each exhibit is \$25.00. The entry fee must be paid in full when you submit your Official Entry Form, by check made payable to: FSDA. The deadline for applications is October 1, 2023. Early application is important because the Exhibition Committee may close entries without further notice when frames are filled. The Exhibition Committee can, at its discretion, reject any exhibit for any reason. If the exhibit is rejected, the entry fee will be refunded in full. All exhibitors will be notified whether their exhibit has been accepted ASAP after October 1, 2023. Entry fees will not be refunded for exhibits withdrawn after October 1, 2023, or not delivered to the Exhibition Chair. In the event that an exhibit is rejected for violating this requirement, all entry fees, less an administrative fee of \$15, will be refunded. Withdrawal or failure to present an exhibit after accepted will result in forfeiture of any entry fee paid.
- 13. Personally, delivered exhibits will be received by the Exhibition Committee before the show between the hours of 3:00 pm and 7:00 pm on Thursday, November 30, 2023.
- 14. No exhibit may be removed prior to the closing of the show at 4:00 pm Saturday, December 2, 2023. The exhibit may be removed thereafter only when signed for by the exhibitor or duly-authorized representative and when checked out and released by the Exhibition Committee. The removal of exhibits will be carefully supervised by approved staff and will not be rushed so that safety and security are ensured.

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- 15. Mailed exhibits must be sent prepaid and with return postage or payment. They should arrive between November 14-22, 2023. (Note address in # 3) They will be returned promptly after the closing of the show by the method requested by the owner. If no method is specified, your exhibit will be returned via Express Mail at a minimum fee of \$28.75 or the current rate, or actual cost whichever is greater. We highly recommend the use of fully insured Express Mail. Please package your exhibit for shipping so that the packaging materials can be reused for return.
- 16. **Exhibitors must provide their own insurance.** All reasonable care will be taken to ensure the safety of the exhibits, including 24-hour professional security guards. The exhibit is entered at the risk of the exhibitor. No responsibility or liability shall be attached to the Florida Stamp Dealers' Association, FLOREX 2023, its Committee members, sponsoring societies, or any of their employees, officers, volunteers or representatives for any damage or loss for any cause or reason.
- 17. The Exhibition Committee will have complete discretion in matters that may arise concerning the Exhibition and not provided for in this prospectus. Exhibitors must agree that the decision of the judges shall be final, and hereby release and agree to hold harmless the judges and the American Philatelic Society, its officers, directors, employees, and representatives from any damages, including but not limited to damages to my reputation or that of my exhibit, suffered or incurred as a result of the judging. Signing of the Entry Form denotes acceptance of all conditions set forth herein. Any and all disputes are the sole responsibility of the Exhibits Chair to resolve.

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FLOREX 2023 Judges

APS-accredited judging is chaired by Dr. Yamil Kouri, RDP of Lakewood Ranch, FL. Rounding out the remaining two jury positions are:

Dr. Ronald E. Lesher, of Easton, MD Mr. Raymond J. Pietruszka, of Madison, AL

The Judges' Critique is scheduled for 1:30-2:30pm Saturday, December 2, 2023 in the Hubert Talton Hall meeting room The awards presentation and reception for exhibitors and judges will begin at 3:00 pm in same meeting room.

FLOREX Medal Levels

The basic medal remains the same for all award levels with changes in the ribbon to denote progression.



Large Gold, ribbon with gold center and black edge. Large Vermeil, ribbon with magenta center and black edge.

Large Silver, ribbon with gray center and black edge.

Gold, ribbon with solid gold.

Vermeil, ribbon with solid magenta.

Silver, ribbon with solid gray.

Silver Bronze, ribbon with solid light red.

Bronze, ribbon with solid white.

Non-Competitive, ribbon with white center and blue edge.

Court of Honor, ribbon with white center and blue edge.

F L O R E X S T	Future FLOREX Dates
A M	2024 December 6 & 7
P S H	2025 December 5 & 6
O W	2026 December 4 & 5
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2023 Exhibit Frame Information

FRAME #	Exhibitor	Exhibit Title
1-5	Vernon Morris	Evolution & Development of the USPO, 1685 to 1799 (Non-Competitive)
6-8	Jerry Eller	Canal Zone Meter Mail
11	Vernon Morris	World's Third Producer of Stamps: Philadelphia Local Post Fee Reduction, 1842 to 1861
12-20	Roger Waivio	Doctor Rare and Nurse Scare
21-28	Michael Schumacher	"The Match of the Century" A Philatelic Extravaganza!
29-30	Robert Benninghoff	Souvenirs from Stockholm May to June 2019
31-35	Arnold Sorensen	Danish West Indies Printed Matter
36-39	Donald Bourassa	A Study in the design of Queen Victoria Stamps in the 19th Century
40	Allison Cusick	Wheat Farming in Canada's Prairie Provinces Prior to World War I
41-48	Alfredo Frohlich	"1914-1919 - German Soldiers Captured in China; Japan Internment: Their Mail Use"
49	Emory Earl Toops	The Trucial States Palm Trees and Dhow series of 1961
50	Thomas Lera	Clement Ader: Father of French Aviation
51-59	Octavio Cabrera	Postal Cards of Cuba 1878-1898
60	Brian Harmon	Sir Rowland Hill Death Centenary Stamp Designs
61-68	Phil Stager	The Wonderful World of Bamboo
69	Robert Benninghoff	The Irish Civil War January 1922 to April 1923
70	Robert Benninghoff	The e Watermark Definitive Coil Stamps of Ireland 1940-1970
71-75	Brian Callen	British and Irish Telegraph Development 1851 to 1901
76-78	Phil Stager	Bridges Across the Niagara Gorge
79-80	Ronald Lesher	Promoting and Marketing Florida Citrus: Inspection Fees and Advertising Taxes (Non-Competitive)
81-88	Dawn Hamman	All Aboard! A Grand Tour - American Style, 1915
89	Laurelei Fox (youth)	The Life of Saint Patrick
90	Sahitya Setty (youth)	Malaria is Still Around
91	Sahitya Setty (youth)	Defying Alleviated World Hunger
92-94	Michael Schumacher	Iceland Stamps of the 70s: Color Proofs to Usage
95-99	Brian Harmon	British Stamp Designs by Andrew Restall
100	Karl Winkelmann	United Kingdom Censorship and Control of Press Mail by the Press Censorship Bureau During WWII 1939-1945
101-104	Robert Fisher	A Postal History of Carpatho-Ukraine
105	Mathew George	The Perfin Stamps of Cochin
106-110	Will Csaplar	United States Military Fish and Game Licenses, Stamps and their Usages
111	Brian Callen	Graf Zeppelin LZ217 1929 On Board Mail
112-120	James Allen	Rise and Fall of the Grand Trunk Railway - The Big Picture

2023 Exhibit Award Listing

- Grand Award Multi-frame
- Reserve Grand Award
- Grand Award Single frame
- Youth Grand Award
- Youth First Place
- Youth Second Place
- Youth Third Place
- People's Choice Award APS Medal of Excellence Pre 1900
- APS Medal of Excellence 1900 1940
- APS Medal of Excellence 1940 1980
- APS Medal of Excellence Post 1980
- APS Research Medal
- AAPE Gold Award of Honor Pin (2)
- **AAPE Creativity Pin**
- AAPE Award of Excellence -Treatment
- AAPE Novice Presentation Certificate
- Jean Benninghoff Encouragement Award **Presentation Certificate**
- Women Exhibitors Sterling Achievement Award ATA First Award Multi-frame (medal and ribbon)
- ATA Second Award Multi-frame (ribbon)
- ATA Third Award Multi-frame (ribbon)
- ATA One-frame Award (ribbon)
- U.S. Society Statue of Freedom Award
- American Philatelic Congress Award
- Postal History Society Award
- British North American Philatelic Society
- CFSC James Pullin Memorial Award

FLOREX would like to congratulate the top winners from 2022

Grand Award -- Vernon Morris; Evolution and Impact of Bloods Local Post: 1842 to 1862

Reserve Grand Award -- Paul Clemmensen; Holboll's Danish Christmas Seals 1904-1927

Single Frame Grand Award -- Robert Benninghoff; The Collection of Postage Due Fees in Ireland 1914 to 1925

Peoples' Choice Award -- Dennis Jackson; Hawaii Postal Cards to Germany 1882-1900

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FLOREX 2023 Exhibit Frame Layout

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