



2012 Exhibitor's Prospectus
The Philadelphia National
Stamp Exhibition
March 30, 31, April 1, 2012

to be held at

Greater Philadelphia Expo Center
100 Station Avenue
Oaks, PA 19456

FEATURING

- **Stamp & Cover Bourse** including over 50 dealers.
- **USPS & UNPA Postal Stations** • special Exhibition souvenirs.
- **Stamp Exhibits** - 250+ frames available

PARTICIPATING SOCIETIES

Pennsylvania Postal History Society
International Society for Portuguese Philately
U.S. Possessions Philatelic Society
other Philatelic Societies TBA.

CLASSIFICATION OF COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS

- B.** Pennsylvania Postal History
- P.** Portuguese Speaking Countries and Related
- J.** Youth Exhibits
- PD.** Postal Division (Traditional, Postal History, Aerophilately, Astrophilately, Postal Stationery, Traditional FDC)
- RD.** Revenue Division (Traditional Revenue, Fiscal History)
- S.** Single Frame Exhibits
- X.** Display, Cinderella, Picture Postcard, Thematic & Illustrated Mail (Cacheted FDCs; Advertising, Patriotic and Event Covers; Maximaphily)
- C.** Stamp Club One Frame Competition (see separate prospectus and entry form)

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PNSE ENTRY FORM • March 30, 31, April 1, 2012

Use a separate form for each exhibit

send completed application to:

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Please enter the following exhibit, subject to PNSE 2012 Rules and Regulations, to which I agree:

Title _____

Class _____

Description for Program (25 words or less)

Reserve _____ frames @ \$10.00/frame (*juniors \$2.00)	\$ _____
Basic Exhibition Fee (required)	\$ 15.00 _
Return Postage & Registration	\$ _____
Check in U.S. funds payable to PNSE 2012 enclosed	Total \$ _____

Exhibit Owner

Street Address

City, State & Zip

Phone (_____) _____ - _____ e-mail: _____

Emergency Contact (if attending PNSE 2012) and Tel. No. _____

My exhibit will be delivered by:

- MYSELF OR AGENT
- COURIER SERVICE
- EXPRESS MAIL
- PRIORITY MAIL w/ sig confirmation

I wish my exhibit returned by:

- MYSELF OR AGENT:
- COURIER SERVICE
- EXPRESS MAIL (preferred method)
- PRIORITY MAIL w/ sig confirmation

Note: all materials (wrapping, label & postage) for safe return must be enclosed with exhibit. We will provide any necessary Priority Mail or Express Mail boxes. No exhibits will be returned by Registered Mail.

list me in the program as: _____
[your full name & state will be used unless otherwise instructed]

Exhibit previously shown at _____ (show) in _____ (yr)

I 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.

The owner and exhibitor expressly holds all organizations and/or individuals participating in PNSE / 2012 harmless from any and all responsibility for the security of the exhibition and insurance on the exhibit.

Exhibitor Signature (required) _____ date of this application _____

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Hours:

Thurs (set-up)	3 pm to 8 pm
FRIDAY	10 am to 6 pm
SATURDAY	10 am to 6 pm
SUNDAY	10 am to 3 pm

Features —

- PNSE Awards Reception will be held on Saturday Evening, March 31, 2012, in the Expo Center
- Jury Critique Saturday afternoon: public critique and discussion of exhibits.

Awards —

Open Competition: PNSE 2012 GRAND* □ RESERVE GRAND □ 5 medal levels
Many special & society awards.

Single Frame exhibits: “BEST” ** + five medal levels. □ *Junior Competition*

* The PHILADELPHIA 2012 GRAND AWARD winner is expected to show that exhibit at the APS World Series of Philately Champion of Champions competition at StampShow, 2012, in Sacramento, CA.

** The BEST Single Frame winner is expected to show in the AmeriStamp Expo Single Frame Championship competition in Louisville, KY, in January 2013.

Stamp Club Single Frame: “BEST + five medal levels

HINTS FOR EXHIBITORS

- Other than addresses on covers, exhibits should not show identifying marks of ownership. (But the exhibitor's name and address on the back of each page is a recommended security device.)
- Forgeries and counterfeits in any exhibit must be plainly identified, or the exhibit may be subject to downgrading or disqualification.
- Each exhibitor should submit 8 copies of a summary / **synopsis** / outline and/or **title page** a minimum of six weeks before the show. **You are encouraged to submit these by Email.**
- Every precaution will be taken to safeguard exhibits. However, no liability shall be attached to the Greater Philadelphia Expo Center, the Associated Stamp Clubs of Southeastern Pennsylvania & Delaware, Inc., their members or their employees. Guards will be on duty 24 hours a day. Exhibit owners desiring insurance **MUST** provide their own coverage.
- Failure to exhibit, after entry fee has been accepted, forfeits such entry fee.
- Hotel & Travel information is provided on a separate sheet and on the website (PNSE.org).

for more info contact:

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web: <http://pnse.org>

[This application may be duplicated. Please use a separate page for each exhibit]

PHILADELPHIA 2012 RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Philadelphia National Stamp Exhibition 2012 is open to all collectors regardless of society affiliation. Competitive exhibits must be the *bona fide* property of an individual exhibitor or immediate family members. Exhibits containing material belonging to two or more persons are welcome in club and non-competitive classes.
2. As exhibit space is always at a premium, early application is recommended. The **deadline** for receipt of completed entry forms *with payment* is **February 13, 2012** or until frames are filled.
3. The Exhibit Committee reserves the right to limit or refuse an exhibit at its discretion, and may reject any exhibit, in whole or in part, without giving reason. In such cases, refund of entry fee will be made.
4. The following may be shown **only on a non-competitive basis**:
 - A. Exhibits which have won previous SEPAD/PNSE Grand Awards.
 - B. Exhibits already invited to the 2012 World Series of Philately.
5. The following **may be shown** competitively, subject to frame availability, but are **discouraged**; they are welcome on a non-competitive Court of Honor basis:
 - A. Exhibits which have competed four or more times in the World Series of Philately.
 - B. Exhibits which have won three large gold medals, or a Grand Prix National or International at FIP-sanctioned International Shows.
 - B. Exhibits which have both competed in the World Series of Philately *and* won an FIP International Gold Medal.
6. Provided a separate entry is submitted for each, exhibitors may enter as many exhibits as they wish. Competitive exhibits have a **limit** of **ten** frames. (*Note that current APS rules limit an exhibitor to two competitive multi-frame exhibits.*) Exhibitors will be identified in the official program by name and state, unless a pseudonym is specifically requested
7. Fees for PNSE 2012: **\$15.00 per exhibit** plus **\$10.00 per frame**. Junior exhibitors (those who are less than age 21 on January 1) will be charged \$2.00 per frame.
8. Each **PNSE** 'Ameripex'-type frame will accommodate 16 pages of 9"x12" size or smaller. If an exhibit includes other than standard size pages, pre-approval from the Exhibit Chairman is required.
9. Exhibits may be mounted by owners or agents Thursday, March 29, only from 3 to 8 pm; and **may be removed only after 3:30 pm Sunday, April 1**, after the bourse chairman indicates that the aisles are clear and the space is secure. A PNSE Committee member will be present to assist owner or agent in mounting and dismounting.
10. Mailing instructions will be given upon acceptance of exhibit. For those exhibits to be returned by PNSE, exhibitors **MUST** remit with their application: full anticipated postage and insurance fees for return of exhibit.
11. A panel of APS accredited judges selected by the PNSE Committee will evaluate all exhibits using criteria outlined in *Manual of Philatelic Judging, 6th Edition*, and their decisions shall be final. The manual may be downloaded from the APS website at: [Stamps.org/Resources/Exhibition Forms and Info/Judging Evaluation Forms/APS Manual of Philatelic Judging, 6th Edition \(latest revision\)](http://Stamps.org/Resources/Exhibition Forms and Info/Judging Evaluation Forms/APS Manual of Philatelic Judging, 6th Edition (latest revision).).