

PROSPECTUS - PIPEX 2010

PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL PHILATELIC EXHIBITION

JUNE 4, 5, 6, 2010

Lincoln Center/1316 N Lincoln Street

Spokane, Washington

Sponsored by: THE NORTHWEST FEDERATION OF STAMP CLUBS

Hosted by: Inland Empire Philatelic Society, Spokane, Washington

1. *Exhibitor Eligibility:*

- a) PIPEX is an open, national level, World Series of Philately show.
- b) Any collector, regardless of residence or club affiliation, is eligible to enter competition by conforming to the requirements of this prospectus.
- c) All competitive exhibits must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor.

2. *Exhibit Classifications:*

a) GENERAL OPEN CLASS is open to any competitive exhibit except those eligible for either the youth, picture postcard or one-frame classification. The General Open Class shall be divided into the following divisions:

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| a. Postal | d. Display |
| b. Revenue | e. Illustrated Mail |
| c. Thematic | f. Cinderella |

Note: Additional classes for specialized areas or competition may be added at the discretion of the PIPEX Exhibit Committee. These include:

b) SINGLE FRAME CLASS (Limit 12)

c) PICTURE POSTCARDS

d) YOUTH CLASS which is open to exhibitors who will be under the age of 19 as of June 10, 2010. Entry applications for this class shall include a statement, endorsed by an adult, that the entry is the property of, and was prepared by, the entrant.

Note: Section numbers may be revised as necessary.

The jury may reclassify, without recourse, any exhibit if they believe either it would be of benefit to the exhibit or has been entered in the wrong section.

3. *Entry:*

- a) An individual exhibitor may submit more than one entry. In the event the number of entries exceeds the available space, only one exhibit will be accepted from each exhibitor within a section.
- b) All exhibits shall be entered by class and section on the official entry form provided by the PIPEX Exhibit Committee. The correct fees shall accompany the entry form.
- c) Entries will be accepted up to May 1, 2010, or until all available space has been filled if that event should occur earlier.
- d) Receipt of entries will be promptly acknowledged. The PIPEX Exhibit Committee reserves the right to reject any entry, and to return the application together with related fees before the opening of the exhibition.
- e) Signing the official entry form denotes acceptance by the exhibitor of all requirements set out in the prospectus.
- f) In order to assist the judges in preparing for the Exhibit, the PIPEX Exhibiting Committee requires that six copies of the title page and six pages of synopsis be forwarded by April 1st to the address shown in Paragraph 5. Exhibits should be mailed to the address in paragraph 6.

4. *Frames and Pages:*

- a) Exhibits will be displayed in frames that hold 16 album pages, maximum 8.5 inches by 11 inches in size, in 4 horizontal rows of 4 pages each. Oversize pages or poster displays (up to the frame dimensions) may be accepted from exhibitors who have made arrangements in advance.
- b) Pages shall 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.

5. Exhibit Fees:

- a) Open Class \$11 per frame – U.S. Funds
- b) Single Frame \$15 per entry – U.S. Funds
- c) Youth Class \$6 per frame – U.S. Funds

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 shall be remitted with the entry application. All Payments (and entry forms) should be mailed to: **Anne Harris; 20908 W Bannock Ave; Medical Lake WA 99022**

6. Delivery:

- a) Exhibitors can deliver their exhibits in person or via an agent. Otherwise, exhibits should be sent via registered mail or express carrier. 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 29, 2010. Exhibits delivered by an exhibitor or an agent may be handed to the PIPEX Exhibit Committee between the hours of 8 and 9 AM, JUNE 4, 2010 at Lincoln Center, 1316 N Lincoln Street, Spokane, Washington provided that prior notice of such delivery intention is given to the PIPEX Exhibit Committee.
- c) If the exhibit is to be mailed, it should be sent to:
Inland Empire Philatelic Society
PO Box 3731
Spokane WA 99220-3731

7. Exhibition Hours/Exhibit Return:

- a) Exhibition will open 10 AM on JUNE 4th and will close at 4 PM on JUNE 6th.
- b) No exhibit or part thereof may be mounted, dismounted, or removed during official show hours, or while visitors are present in the exhibit area.
- c) Exhibitors or their agents, on providing proof of identity, may obtain their exhibit from the PIPEX Exhibit Committee shortly after the close of the exhibition.
- d) Uncollected exhibits will be returned at the expense of the owner in the manner indicated on the official entry form. If no contrary instructions are given by the exhibitor, uncollected exhibits will be returned as soon after the show as possible by Express Mail. Please allow sufficient time for processing before making inquiries.

8. Insurance:

- a) Exhibit owners will provide their own insurance.
- b) All reasonable precautions will be taken for safeguarding the exhibits while they are in the possession of the Exhibit Committee.
- c) The exhibitor agrees that no responsibility of any kind or character shall attach to the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs nor to any of its officers or members of the same, nor to the Inland Empire Philatelic Society or to any of its officers or members, nor to the PIPEX Exhibit Committee or to any of its members or employees, for any loss or damage to any exhibit or material submitted in competition or noncompetition, from any cause whatsoever.

9. Judging:

- a) A panel of accredited judges has been selected who will make decisions by deliberation and consultation among themselves, and whose decision will be final.
- b) Judging will be in accordance with current APS guidelines.
- c) Judges will be provided the exhibit title and/or synopsis pages to assist in their preparation.

10. Awards:

- a) No exhibit will be considered for an award if, after three years from its first showing, it does not show major alterations or additions. The decision in such case shall rest with the chairman of the jury.
- b) 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 award and reserve grand award. PICTURE POSTAL CARDS and YOUTH class exhibits are eligible for the same awards except the grand and reserve grand awards.
- b) For the SINGLE FRAME CLASS, judging will be based on five levels of awards with a grand award for the best single frame exhibit.
- c) All awards will be granted in accordance with adjusted merits of the exhibit, without regard to section. No award in a class or section will be made if, in the opinion of the judges, the exhibits are of insufficient merit.
- d) Awards not bestowed formally during the exhibition will either be delivered when exhibits are collected in person or mailed to the winner.

11. Ruling Authority:

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

12. Questions:

Send all correspondence to the following individuals c/o PO Box 3731, Spokane, WA 99220

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