PROSPECTUS – Virtual PIPEX 2021

This show will be judged; it is a WSP event May 7, 8, 9, 2021

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Bulletin February 22, 2021: PIPEX has been granted WSP status. Its "Best in Show" winners will be eligible to enter a *Virtual Champion of Champions competition* (separate from the C of C competition for in-person shows).

There is high interest in exhibiting in this show. Because a judged show of this magnitude is so new, we are restricting the number of exhibits. Judging virtually is also a challenge, so we are requiring that all pages of exhibits must be submitted by **March 31**, so the judges will have ample time to do their work. We regret the inconvenience caused by these late changes. But we are breaking new ground, and must figure things out as we go!

- George Struble, Exhibits Chair

Important Dates: Note the change to earlier dates	
March 21, 2021	Deadline for exhibit applications and for updated title/synopses pages
March 31, 2021	Deadline for receiving 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.
- b) All competitive exhibits must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor.
- c) Philatelic items must be scans of your property, without enhancements.

B. Exhibit Classes:

- a) GENERAL OPEN CLASS is open to any competitive exhibit except those eligible for either the youth or one-frame class. Exhibits in this class will be from two to ten frames.
- b) ONE FRAME CLASS
- c) YOUTH CLASS is open to exhibitors who will be age 21 or younger on January 1, 2021. Each YOUTH CLASS exhibit is one frame, except that experienced youth exhibitors may apply for up to five frames. 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. Youth exhibitors: please also see the Youth section of the PIPEX website.

C. Entry:

- a) An individual exhibitor may submit **one or two exhibits**. A second exhibit will be placed on a wait list, and accepted after March 21 if there is still space available.
- b) All exhibits must be entered by Class 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 March 21, 2021, but the show will probably be full well before that..
- d) Receipt of entries will be promptly acknowledged.
- 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 a one- or two-page synopsis (but no synopsis is required for non-competitive or youth exhibits), and (3) the required fee. Payment can be mailed to George Struble, 210 18th St. NE, Salem, OR 97301. Title pages and synopses may also be mailed to the same address; the PIPEX Committee *prefers* to receive them by email to <u>gstruble@willamette.edu</u>, in PDF (preferred), Word, rtf, or image format attachments to an email message. Entry forms may be either mailed or emailed.

D. Sending the exhibits

- a) The exhibits themselves should be sent by We Transfer, Dropbox or an equivalent utility to gstruble@willamette.edu.
- b) Exhibits should be sent as image files of the pages, preferably .jpg, scanned at 300 or 600 dpi.
- c) The files for each page should be named consecutively; for a five-frame exhibit, they would be named f001 to f080.
- d) If there are mixed page widths, each page should be numbered according to its place if all pages were single-width. Thus a double-width page at the beginning of frame 3 would be named f033 and the next page f035.

E. Frames and Pages:

Exhibits will be displayed in a frame view as if in 16-page frames, and page views. We intend to post exhibits as soon as possible after receipt, and leave them accessible to the public at least through May 2021, maybe even March 2022.

F. Exhibit Fees:

Adult 1-frame exhibits: \$8.00

Adult multi-frame exhibits: \$20.00 regardless of the number of frames

Youth Class: \$5.00

G. Judging:

- a) A panel of APS accredited judges will make decisions by deliberation and consultation among themselves; their decisions will be final.
- b) Judging will be in accordance with the APS Manual of Philatelic Judging and Exhibiting, Seventh Edition (August 2016).

H. Awards:

- a) For the GENERAL OPEN and ONE-FRAME CLASSES the PIPEX Exhibit Committee will place at the disposition of the judges, PIPEX large gold, gold, large vermeil, vermeil, large silver, silver, silver-bronze and bronze ribbons, certificates of award, certificates of appreciation, other awards from philatelic societies, and a BEST IN SHOW award.
- b) All awards will be granted in accordance with merits of the exhibit.

I. 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.

J. Questions:

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