CPS 2022 BNAPEX - Calgary Exhibition Prospectus

Hyatt Regency, 700 Centre St S, Calgary, Alberta, Canada September 2-4, 2022

Exhibition Rules and Regulations

Note: Entries for the Exhibition are separate from the Show Registration. Please see the website for information on Show Registration including free and payable events and the Awards Banquet.

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Section 1 - General Information

Exhibition Organization: There will be both a British North America Philatelic Society Exhibition (BNAPEX) and a National Level Exhibition sanctioned by the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada (RPSC). The two Exhibitions will have separate judging juries allowing exhibitors to enter one or both events, provided they meet all the requirements of this Prospectus. A joint Awards Banquet will be held on Sunday 4th September, 2022.

A number of frames will be set aside for Mini-exhibits of 1 to 4 pages on any subject of general interest that will be voted solely by 'People's Choice'. There will be no charge for these exhibits with the intent to encourage discussion, experimentation and the development of new exhibits and new exhibitors.

Exhibit Classification:

Class 1: Court of Honour Exhibits (by invitation only). No charge

Class 2B: Competitive Multi-Frame Exhibits (BNAPEX). \$20.00 per Frame.

Class 2R: Competitive Multi-Frame Exhibits (RPSC National) \$20.00 per Frame.

Class 3B: Competitive One-Frame Exhibits (BNAPEX) \$20.00 per Frame.

Class 3R: Competitive One-Frame Exhibits (RPSC National) \$25.00 per Frame.

Class 4B: Youth -- 21 years or younger as of January 1, 2022 (BNAPEX). No charge.

Class 4R: Youth – 21 years or younger as of January 1, 2022 (RPSC National). No charge.

Class 5: Mini-exhibits (1-4 pages) Judged by People's Choice. No charge

BNAPS Members may enter the same exhibit in both the BNAPEX and the RPSC National Show for a total charge of \$30.00 per frame. Please read the full prospectus to ensure you qualify.

An exhibitor may enter more than one exhibit. Should the exhibition be oversubscribed, the Exhibition Committee will make the final selection of accepted exhibits from the entry forms received on or before June 30th 2022. If you are entering multiple exhibits, it would be helpful if you could prioritize your entries with a note on the Exhibit Form.

The Exhibition Committee reserves the right to reject any exhibit, in part or whole, without assigning a reason. When an exhibit is rejected or reduced in the number of frames by the Exhibition Committee, the corresponding entry fee shall be refunded.

Items that are too thick or too large to fit into a standard frame and may cause damage to the frame will not be accepted. Please consult with the Exhibit Committee if you have unconventional items you wish to include in your exhibit.

Section 2 - BNAPEX – Rules and Regulations

<u>Who may enter:</u> Only Members of BNAPS in good standing may enter exhibits in the BNAPEX National Competitive Classes 2B, 3B and 4B.

What may be entered: BNAPEX is restricted to philatelic material mailed within and from British North America, i.e. Canada, its pre-Confederation Provinces and Territories. An exhibit of philatelic material mailed to British North America from other countries **MAY** be acceptable. Please <u>first</u> consult the Exhibit Committee. All entries must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor.

All Class 1-4 entries must consist of complete frames of $16 (8.5'' \times 11'')$ pages or equivalent if oversized material is included. Exhibit pages must be in transparent page protectors, ideally closed on three sides, and numbered on the back in sequential order to aid in the correct mounting of the exhibit. The Exhibit Committee reserves the right to place exhibit frames according to its own plan. No entry that has received a previous BNAPEX Grand Award may compete in Classes 2B or 3B. Note: Single frame exhibits on closely related subjects submitted by the same exhibitor may be treated as a multi-frame exhibit at the discretion of the jury.

Frame Limits: BNAPEX has rules regarding acceptable numbers of frames and the Initial and Subsequent Acceptance periods, see the **Frame Limits document on the website Exhibits page**. Entries to either show will be controlled to maximize the number of exhibits and exhibitors within the available space. Early submission will help ensure acceptance of an exhibit.

Jury: BNAPEX Classes 2B, 3B, and 4B: Three or four experienced judges, all members of BNAPS, will be appointed by BNAPS. Non-voting apprentice judges may also be appointed. The judges' decisions as to awards will in all cases be final. Exhibits will be judged at a National level for the purpose of awards.

Any exhibit may be reclassified at the discretion of the judges.

Insurance & Liability: The exhibitor is solely responsible for all insurance for the exhibit described on the entry form. The host committee will provide security for the exhibits during the time they are on display or in the hands of the committee. By submitting an exhibit application the Exhibitor is agreeing not to hold CPS 2022 BNAPEX, British North America Philatelic Society, Hyatt Regency, Royal Philatelic Society of Canada, Calgary Philatelic Society or any of the volunteers, members, committees, officers or employees of the above organizations liable for damage or loss of any kind or for any reason whatsoever.

<u>Entry Forms:</u> If possible fill in the ONLINE Entry form on the website exhibits page (<u>one per exhibit even</u> <u>if the exhibit is being entered in both shows – just include the classes entered on the form.</u>) This **MUST** be accompanied by a PDF file of the Exhibit Title/Plan page and Synopsis (recommended) and sent by email as attachments. Optionally to assist the judges please email by 30 July a PDF file of your exhibit to the exhibits committee.

If you prefer to mail this information and pay by cheque, please use the address at the end of this document and mail the filled in Entry Form, and 5 copies of each of the Title and Synopsis pages.

Additional entry forms may be obtained from the CPS or BNAPS websites.

Entry package: Should be sent by email (preferred) to the CPS 2022 BNAPEX Exhibits Committee c/o Dave Russum (bnapexexhibits@bnaps.org)

Entry Payment: All payments are in Canadian dollars. Entry fees should be paid promptly at the time the Entry Form is submitted by e-transfer, PayPal or cheque.

An e-transfer is the preferred method of payment. Please use the pay2cps2@gmail.com email address from your online banking site, to direct payment to the CPS 2022 BNAPS Show account.

An alternative is to use the PayPal button in the online entry form. This does result in higher fees for CPS 2022 BNAPEX. The system will add 3.5% to your payment amount if you use PayPal to pay for your payment entry.

The last payment option is to include a cheque, made out to "Calgary Philatelic Society – Show Acct" and sent to Exhibits Committee, c/o Dave Russum, Box 1478, Calgary, Alberta T2P 2L6, Canada. If you have any payment questions, please contact the Exhibits Committee for assistance.

Entry Acceptance: All entries will be acknowledged, but acknowledgement does not constitute acceptance for exhibition unless so stated. The Exhibit Committee will confirm acceptance as soon as practical, some confirmations may be delayed until after the 30th June closing date for entries. Confirmations will be by email unless you have not provided an email address in which case Canada Post will be used.

See Section 4 for information on delivery and return of Exhibits.

Section 3 - RPSC Sanctioned National Show – Rules and Regulations

The Royal Philatelic Society of Canada (RPSC) have sanctioned this stamp exhibition, however CPS 2022 BNAPEX may not include all the events and activities normally expected at a RPSC National Show.

<u>Who may enter</u>: The National Exhibition (RPSC) is open to all exhibitors. Court of Honour (Class 1) exhibits are by invitation only. The same exhibit may be entered in both BNAPEX (provided you are a paid up member of BNAPS) and the National show for a \$30.00/frame entry fee.

Under normal circumstances, a new exhibitor would be expected to qualify for a National Show through exhibiting at a Regional Show. The extraordinary circumstances of COVID have not provided that opportunity for the past two years. New exhibits will be accepted at this show without qualification, but new exhibitors must realize that failure to take into consideration the judging methodology for National Shows may result in low scoring from the judges.

<u>What may be entered</u>: The National Exhibition is open to all exhibitors on any philatelic subject. All items in an Exhibit must be the bona fide property of the Exhibitor.

Please refer to https://stamps.org/Portals/0/Judging-Manual.pdf to determine the appropriate sub-class for your entry. This reference is also very useful to understand the scoring methodology of judged exhibits. The 'Let's Talk Exhibiting' columns by David Piercey in the Canadian Philatelist (RPSC: Let's Talk Exhibiting) also provides considerable material for reference.

All Class 1-4 entries must consist of complete frames of 16 ($8.5'' \times 11''$) pages or equivalent if oversized material is included. Exhibit pages must be in transparent page protectors, ideally closed on three sides, and numbered on the back in sequential order to aid in the correct mounting of the exhibit. The Exhibit Committee reserves the right to place exhibit frames according to its own plan. No entry that has received a previous RPSC Grand Award may compete in Classes 2B or 3B. Note: Single frame exhibits on closely related subjects submitted by the same exhibitor may be treated as a multi-frame exhibit at the discretion of the jury.

The maximum size of an exhibit is 8 Frames. If more than 8 frames are required please contact the Exhibit Committee.

Frame Limits: Entries to either show will be controlled to maximize the number and type of exhibits and exhibitors within the available space. Early submission will help ensure acceptance of an exhibit.

If the show is over-subscribed, selection of exhibits will be at the discretion of the Exhibit Committee with preference given to early applicants and enabling as many exhibitors and exhibit types as possible to participate.

Judging: A separate Judging team will be used for the RPSC Sanctioned National Show. The size of the Jury for Classes 2R, 3R and 4R will depend on the number and type of exhibits received. Jury selection will be made by the RPSC Judging Coordinator in consultation with the Exhibition Chair.

A judge for the National Show may enter an exhibit in the BNAPEX portion of the show if they meet all the requirements of the BNAPEX Prospectus and refrain from communicating with the BNAPEX Judges during the Judging process.

Insurance & Liability: The exhibitor is solely responsible for all insurance for the exhibit described on the entry form. The host committee will provide security for the exhibits during the time they are on display or in the hands of the committee. By submitting an exhibit application the Exhibitor is agreeing not to hold CPS 2022 BNAPEX, British North America Philatelic Society, Hyatt Regency, Royal Philatelic Society of Canada, Calgary Philatelic Society or any of the volunteers, members, committees, officers or employees of the above organizations liable for damage or loss of any kind or for any reason whatsoever.

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Entry fee must be paid (preferably electronically) when the Entry Form is submitted. No exhibit will be accepted **unless the prescribed entry fee has been received in full.**

If you prefer to mail this information and pay by cheque, please use the address at the end of this document.

Additional entry forms may be obtained from the CPS or BNAPS websites.

Entry Fees: All Class 2 and 3 Competitive Exhibits will be charged at **\$C20.00 per frame** and Class 3R exhibits (One Frame) are charged \$25 per frame.

An exhibit entered in **both** the BNAPEX and National Show by a BNAPS member will be charged at **\$C30.00 per frame**.

Invited exhibits (Class 1), Youth (Class 4) and Mini-exhibits (Class 5) – No charge.

Entry Payment: All payments are in Canadian dollars.

Entry fees should be paid promptly at the time the Entry Form is submitted by e-transfer, PayPal or cheque. An e-transfer is the preferred method of payment. Please use the pay2cps2@gmail.com email address from your online banking site, to direct payment to the CPS 2022 BNAPS Show account.

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<u>Entry package:</u> Should be sent by email (preferred) to the **CPS 2022 BNAPEX Exhibits Committee c/o** Dave Russum (russumd@telusplanet.net).

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Section 4 - Delivery and Return of Exhibits

Exhibit Delivery: Please indicate method of delivery on your entry form.

Exhibits not delivered in person or by proxy must be received **before August 30 2022** at: **Exhibits Committee, Box 1478, Calgary, Alberta T2P 2L6, Canada, 2022** – Please advise us of the tracking number for your exhibit. Include self-addressed adhesive labels, and details of how you want your exhibit returned.

Failure to deliver an accepted exhibit forfeits the entry fee.

Exhibit Delivery in Person: The organising committee will not get access to the Exhibit Hall until 7:00 pm on Thursday, September 1 2022. Any exhibitors who are able to assist with frame set-up are encouraged to come to the Exhibit Hall at 7:00 pm. In exchange for your assistance you will get first priority for mounting your exhibit once set up is complete. Your cooperation and understanding during the set-up and mounting process will be much appreciated.

All exhibits being delivered in person to the **Hyatt Regency Hotel**, **700 Centre St S**, **Calgary** should be brought for exhibit mounting on **Thursday evening September 1**, **likely after 9 pm.** Late arrivals can be accommodated between **8 am and 9:30 am on the Friday morning**. The show opens at 10 am Friday morning. Judging may begin as soon as exhibits have been mounted.

Exhibit Return in Person: The Exhibition **will close at 3 pm on Sunday, September 4th.** The Awards Banquet will take place that evening, beginning at 7 pm. For security reasons, no exhibit or part thereof may be dismounted before the close of the exhibition and until all visitors have cleared the exhibit area.

Exhibitors, or their authorized agents, must present proper proof of identity to obtain the exhibits from the Exhibition Committee. Access to the frames for retrieving of exhibits will be controlled for security reasons. If travel plans require a priority retrieval of your exhibit please contact the Exhibit Committee prior to September 4^{th} .

Exhibit Return Mailing: Exhibits not claimed in person will be returned at the expense of the owner as soon as possible after the close of the exhibition in the manner directed by the owner. Prepayment should be made with the entry form.

Return of exhibits will be made in the same sturdy packaging used to submit the exhibit. Explicit instructions for return, including **self-addressed adhesive labels**, must be enclosed when the exhibit is submitted. Please allow sufficient time for processing and mailing before making inquiries.

Section 5 - Other information

<u>Authority:</u> Any and all questions that may arise concerning the Exhibition, which are not provided for by the prospectus, Rules and Regulations, other than Jury decisions, shall be decided by the Exhibition Committee in its sole and absolute discretion.

Questions:

Should be directed to Dave Russum (bnapexexhibits@bnaps.org).

While email is the preferred method for sending information and payments, the following mailing address may also be used: Exhibits Committee, c/o Dave Russum, Box 1478, Calgary, Alberta T2P 2L6, Canada