



Saluting the 32nd Red Arrow Infantry Division in WWI

WISCOPEX 2018

Hosted by the Baraboo Area Stamp Club

May 5-6, 2018

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Sat.) and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Sun.)

Voyageur Inn and Convention Center, 200 Viking Dr., Reedsburg, WI

PROSPECTUS FOR EXHIBITORS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – DATES – TIMES

Submit entries early – exhibit space reserved on a first-come, first-served basis

Exhibits Committee – co-Chrmn. John Paré, 405 Perimeter Rd., Mount Horeb, WI 53572, 608-852-7358, pare16@mhtc.net

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| March 31 | – closing date for receipt of Entry Form (except DANPEX Best of Show) |
| March 31 | – title/plan page and/or synopsis due (optional for Youth competition) |
| May 1 | – latest date for receipt of exhibits to be mounted by Exhibits Committee |
| May 5 (7:30 a.m.) | – owner or owner-agent mounting begins |
| May 5 (9:30 a.m.) | – all exhibits must be mounted |
| May 5 (6:30 p.m.) | – Awards Banquet (social hour at 5:30 p.m.) |
| to be determined | – Judges' Critique at the frames |
| May 6 (4 p.m.) | – exhibit dismounting begins |

ELIGIBILITY

1. All adult exhibitors must be either a member of a WFSC member club or a WFSC member-at-large. Any Wisconsin youth (21 or under) is eligible to exhibit regardless of philatelic affiliation. Youth will be judged in the **Youth Division**.

2. Best of Show exhibits from WISCOPEXes 2012-17 (no show in 2013) are not eligible for the WISCOPEX 2018 **Open** competition unless there is a minimum of 20 percent change, defined as reworking, additional material, philatelic knowledge and research, attested to by the exhibitor.

3. To be eligible for the **Champion of Champions** competition, an exhibit must have either:

- won Best of Show at a WFSC local club show between the dates of April 10, 2017 to April 8, 2018
- won Best of Show at WISCOPEX 2017, or
- at MILCOPEX 2017, won the highest award among entries by WFSC members in Open competition.

EXHIBITS AND FRAMES

1. All exhibited material must be the property of the exhibitor and must be authentic or otherwise clearly identified.

2. Sheet protectors are required for all exhibit pages. Pages must be numbered consecutively on the reverse side and include the name and address of the exhibitor.

3. Each frame holds 16 pages.

FEES AND ENTRY PROCEDURES

1. Exhibitors must complete an Entry Form. A separate form must be completed for each exhibit. Entry forms and fees must be received no later than March 31, 2018 (except DANPEX '18 Best of Show). Checks must be made payable to the Baraboo Area Stamp Club. Send entry forms to the WISCOPEX Exhibits co-Chairman John Paré, 405 Perimeter Rd., Mount Horeb, WI 53572, 608-852-7358, pare16@mhtc.net.

2. Exhibit space will be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis.

3. In case exhibit space is exhausted, later entries will be returned immediately. The Exhibits Committee reserves the right to accept or reject entries for any reason and to limit the size of exhibits to encourage maximum participation.

4. Exhibit frames fees are \$12 for the first frame and \$8 for each additional frame (including non-competitive exhibits); youth exhibits and non-competitive four- or eight-page exhibits are free.

5. Confirmation of exhibit acceptance will be made to each applicant. The exhibitor must provide a Title/Plan Page and/or a Synopsis to Exhibits co-Chairman John Paré by **March 31, 2018**. Copies will be distributed to judges prior to the show. This requirement is optional for youth and non-competitive four- or eight-page exhibitors. The documents may be sent via U.S. Postal Service or email.

LOGISTICS AND LIABILITY

1. All exhibits to be mounted by the Exhibits Committee must be in the hands of the committee by **May 1, 2018**. Such exhibits should be turned over to a member of the Exhibits Committee or mailed to the address listed under FEES AND ENTRY PROCEDURES 1.

2. Exhibits will be received and held at the owner's risk and exhibitors must provide their own insurance. All reasonable precautions will be taken for the safety of the exhibits and no liability shall attach to the Baraboo Area Stamp Club, the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs, and the Voyageur Inn – their officers, members, employees or volunteers – for any loss or damage whatsoever to material submitted for exhibit.

3. Exhibits that will be mounted by the owner or owner's agent must be at the Voyageur Inn at Reedsburg, WI, by **7:30 a.m.** on May 5, 2018.

4. All mounting of exhibits must be completed by no later than **9:30 a.m.** on May 5, and no exhibit may be removed from the frames prior to **4 p.m.** on May 6.

5. Entries will be returned as soon as practicable after the close of the show to those exhibitors requesting return by mail. Exhibitors should specify instructions for the return of their exhibits and enclose remittance to cover these charges. There are places to communicate these instructions on the Entry Form.

EXHIBIT DIVISIONS

I. Open (including Display Class): A minimum of two frames. (Only these exhibits are eligible for the Best of Show award, the winner of which may compete for the WISCO-PEX 2019 Champion of Champions award.)

II. Single-Frame: Single frames are a maximum of 16 pages.

III. Youth: Youth entries must be entered by persons 21 years old or younger. Youth exhibits are judged separately from other exhibits. The same rules and standards, other than WFSC membership, apply to youth. Pages in each frame may be 8 or 16. A parent or guardian must sign the Entry Form for youth aged 17 and under.

IV. Non-competitive Four- or Eight-pages: Intended for beginning exhibitors. Suggested theme for 2018 is anything related to the letter "P."

V. Non-Competitive: As the name implies, these exhibits will not be judged.

VI. Champion of Champions: (See Eligibility 3.)

JUDGING

1. The jury will consist of at least two judges, at least one of whom will be accredited by the WFSC or the American Philatelic Society. All jury decisions will be final.

2. Exhibitors will be notified of the date and time of the judges' critique of exhibits prior to the show date.

3. Judging and awards will comply with the Rules for Annual Exhibitions as communicated by the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs Standing Committee on Exhibitions.

AWARDS

1. Champion of Champions
one Champion of Champions ribbon and award
first-place ribbon

2. Open (including Display Class)
one Best of Show ribbon and award
unlimited first-, second-, and third-place ribbons

3. Single-Frame
unlimited first-, second-, and third-place ribbons

4. Youth
one Youth Best of Show and award
unlimited first-, second-, and third-place ribbons

5. Special Awards donated by various philatelic organizations/individuals will be offered. Judges will determine which exhibits receive the awards according to criteria specified by the donors. Special awards will be presented at the awards ceremony scheduled at 6:30 p.m.

6. Roland Essig Most Popular Exhibit Award – all exhibits eligible. Voting will be tallied at 5 p.m. on May 5.