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Halloween Vacation to “Dead Countries”

By Barry Christensen

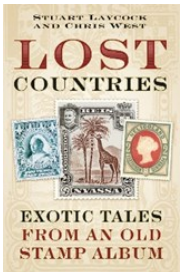


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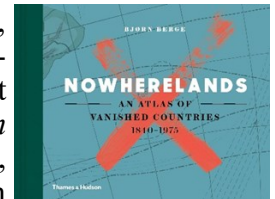
I will never forget my first time attending the Halloween parade in West Hollywood in the 1990’s. It confirmed what I already suspected: NO ONE does Halloween like Queer Folk! My weak costume attempt emulating the lumberjack from Monty Python ended up looking more like “average rural gay guy visits WeHo” compared to the WAY over-the-top costumes my friends designed and wore.

Now known as Halloween Carnival and attracting half a million folks of every stripe, the \$1.5 million event comes “back from the dead” on October 31 this year after a three-year COVID-19 hiatus. Can’t make it to West Hollywood for Halloween this year? No worries! Just get your stamp albums out and take a Halloween Vacation to “Dead Countries” without ever leaving the comforts of home.

“Dead Countries?!?” That’s the term that Mystic Stamp Company and other stamp dealers use to market their stamp selections from postal authorities that no longer exist. I have found it a very interesting stamp collecting pursuit, full of the suspense and intrigue one would expect from stamp ghosts documenting the rise and fall of human governance.



Any vacation worth its plane fare starts with good guidebooks. In this case, I have discovered two that make collecting “Dead Countries” fun and interesting: *Lost Countries: Exotic Tales from an Old Stamp Album* by Stuart Laycock and Chris West (The History Press, 2017) and *Nowherelands: An Atlas of Vanished Countries 1840-1975* by Bjorn Berge (Thames & Hudson, 2017). While now out of print, both are available in new condition from many online book sellers.



These two books are full of Old-World charm, presented in engaging formats with color illustrations of stamps from long-gone post offices and great stories that make these “Dead Countries” come alive. Both volumes are fully indexed, and Berge’s treatise also includes maps, stats, quotes, and an amazing bibliography. While not yet very far along on my journey, my goal is to collect a representative sampling of stamps from as many “Dead Countries” as my stamp collecting budget will allow. In the meantime, I can savor the milieu these stamps traveled out of, as I research the fascinating stories of countries now superseded on the world stage. Join me in an odyssey of discovering stamps that time has (almost) forgotten!

P.S.—For additional Halloween fun, the USPS in recent years has treated us to the wonderful Jack-o-Lantern stamps (2016), shimmering Spooky Silhouettes stamps (2019) and festive Day of the Dead stamps (2021).

For a touching introduction to the Dia de Los Muertos traditions, check out Pixar’s adorable 2017 animated film “Coco.”



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The **objective** of GLHS is to promote an interest in the collection, study and dissemination of knowledge of worldwide philatelic material that depicts:

- Notable men and women and their contributions to society for whom historical evidence exists of homosexual or bisexual orientation,
- Mythology, historical events and ideas significant in the history of gay culture,
- Flora and fauna scientifically proven as having prominent homosexual behavior, and

Even though emphasis is placed on the above aspects of stamp collecting, GLHS strongly encourages other philatelic endeavors.

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Membership Report

Our current membership consists of **83** members. 49 are also members of the American Philatelic Society (APS) & 38 members of the American Topical Association (ATA).

*When you join the APS, ATA and/or AFDCS
notify GLHS*

! New Members !

Shirley U., CA

Additional volunteers are needed

- Social Media Committee to explore options for group open and/or closed online communications/meetings such as Google, Instagram, twitter, blogs, go-to meeting, HipChat, etc.
- GLHS Journal Editor
- GLHS Journal Columnists
- Index GLHS journal articles since 2018
- Give presentations in person or virtually
- Coordinate GLHS Socials
- Maintain membership
- Advertising Committee
- Submit articles, journeys, cover/postal history write ups, travels and philatelic events





Lisa Foster, a Washington state native and life-long/third generation stamp collector, is a 25-plus year member of the APS with additional philatelic memberships with the American Topical Association, American First Day Cover Society, and American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors. Her collecting interests are primarily U.S. and postal history with a focus on marcophily. She has exhibited on a variety of topics, including American Postal Machine Co. flag cancels, invalid postage use, The Great American Eclipse, George Washington, and the Salish Sea. Her mission is to “Preserve the hobby and Promote Stamp Collecting for All” through volunteering, exhibiting, judging and promotion of philatelic activities.

Foster is the current President of *Women Exhibitors* (WE) and has been a WE member since its inception in 2007. Lisa has served as president and journal editor of *Gay and Lesbian History on Stamps* since 2018.

In 2016, Foster received the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs Club Member Service Award as a member and exhibits chairperson of the Evergreen Stamp Club (ESC). She currently serves as the ESC's president. In 2017, she received the SEAPEX Distinguished Service Award in recognition of her service as secretary to the board of directors and exhibits chairperson during the probationary qualifying period and initial years as a national-level stamp exhibition and WSP show.

A member of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs (NWFSC), Foster has been a Regional Philatelic judge since 2015, served on the committee to promote exhibiting and was awarded the Northwest Distinguished Philatelist Award for outstanding and distinguished service to philately in 2019. She entered the APS apprentice program to become a National Philatelic judge in 2019 and was accredited in 2022.



GLHS Annual Meeting

There were 16 attendees at the August 13th meeting at GASS 2023. The National Postal Museum is exploring creating an exhibition of philatelic materials reflecting LGBTQIA history. Suggestions by attendees included items that show how the postal service censored mail, World Pride, Newsletters distributed through the mail, pen pals, archival material.

In the case of LGBTQIA postal history, the Museum's collection is quite limited, and staff would like to understand what they should be acquiring as well as likely sources of material. They will be holding another study day/input session at WEST-PEX 2024 in April.

Outreach to the community regarding GLHS was discussed. Vera stated that other study units have received members by participating in the *Taste of Topicals* and encouraged GLHS to do so as well. Dale intended to leave GLHS membership at the Kansas City AIDS Walk.

Charles volunteered to write and send an article regarding GLHS to *PrimeTimers* [Home - Prime-Timers® Worldwide \(theprimetimersww.com\)](http://Home-Prime-Timers@Worldwide.theprimetimersww.com).

It was suggested that next year's meeting at the Great American Stamp Show be held on Friday at 4:00 pm to host a cocktail meeting.



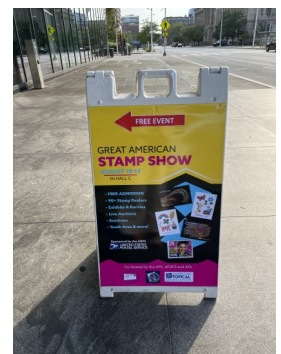
Laurie volunteering at the ATA booth during GASS2023

Future GASS

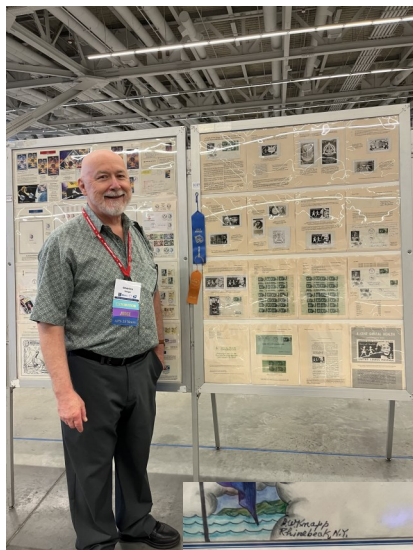
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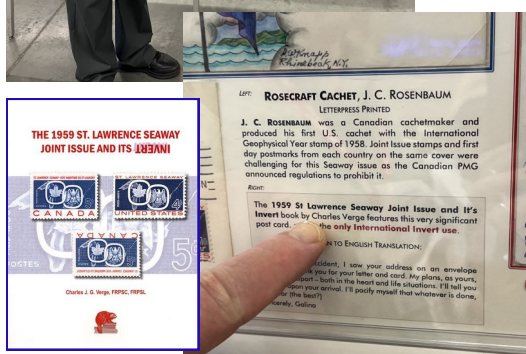
2026 Bye – Boston 2026
May 23-30



GLHS Members Exhibit @ GASS 2023



“The FDCs of the 1959 Commemorative for the Centennial of the American Dental Association”, by **Charles J.G. Verge** won a Gold Medal in the AmeriCover Multi-Frame Competition.



A reference to Charles’ book was in another exhibit on the show floor.

Charles also received a Gold Medal in Stamp-Show Multi-Frame Competition for the exhibit, “The Documentary Revenues of Haiti: 1807-1957.”

Dawn Hamman had an exhibit in the Most Popular Prix d’Honneur, “Abraham Lincoln’s Life and Legacy”, which received a Large Gold in the National Topical Stamp Show Multi-Frame Competition and the ATA Americana Unit award.



Dawn also received a Large Gold with “All Aboard! A Grand Tour—American Style, 1915.”

Photo by Igor Grigorian

Phil Stager received a Gold Medal in the NTSS Multi-Frame Competition for “Cleveland—The Lakefront & Cuyahoga River,” as well as the Professional Stamp Experts, “It’s not just Stamps” award.

In the NTSS Single Frame Competition Phil received an Gold Award for “Cleveland—The Group Plan of 1903.”



Casey Jo White, cachet maker & GLHS member at GASS 2023.



Fall for Topicals 2023

Philatelic Fun and Games with Casey Jo White

Tuesday, October 17, 7:00 p.m. Eastern

This program showcases examples of games on stamps, stamps on games, and some playful postal history. From correspondence chess to postage stamp puzzles, there's lots of fun to be found in your mailbox. Join in and play along!

Casey Jo White is a stamp collector and board game hobbyist from Indiana. Her thematic collections focus on postal history and include Christmas mail, toys and games, pigs, and cats. She also makes and collects first day and event covers.

Register at

<https://americantopical.org/event-5417973>

GLHS Virtual Presentation December 12



Otters on Stamps

Presentation by

Gene Throwe

12/12/2023

4:30 PM Pacific Time

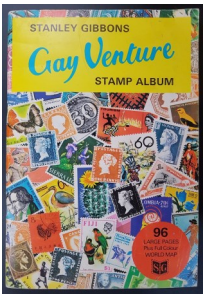
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Gay Ventures

A Philatelic Column - Larry Crain



Reykjavik Pride Aug 8-13, 2023. I was there. This column will have lots of photos and some philately.

First let me point out it was not just Reykjavik Pride; it was Iceland Pride. At the airport my son-in-law and I went to the Hertz counter to get our rental call. The clerk said we were there at good time, Pride Week, and we would find people celebrating.

We drove the Ring Road around the country, and there were many pride flags and banners, much pride merchandise and pride sidewalks (see the end for more sidewalks).

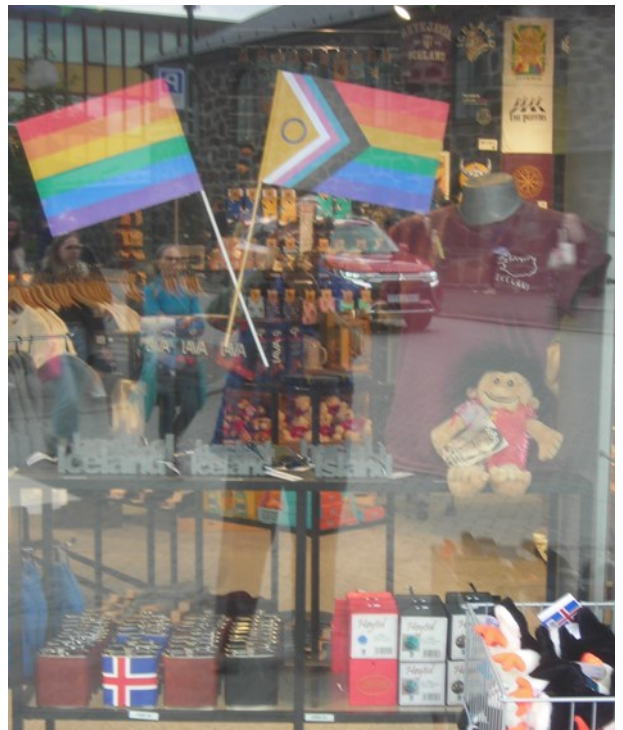


Saturday's Pride Parade started at the church further up from this sidewalk, went eight blocks, turned and continued through town for over a kilometer more.

Pride week in Iceland was about fun and individuality. It was about freedom of self and of expression. It was about community and diversity.

Our Reykjavik B&B host emailed after getting us settled to say she had forgotten to tell us the Pride Parade started at noon two days later and that we could listen to the concert at the parade's end from the balcony.

There were rainbow flags and varieties throughout the city - more concentrated than in San Francisco's Castro and not just confined to the area of the parade route. Everywhere.



Shop window and reflection. T-shirts, trolls, puffins +



US and Iceland stamps for Leif Ericson. The statue was a gift from the US. Iceland stamp issued 1938. The Pride parade started at the base of the statue.

Several Pride activities were held during the week. One was a bake-off, not surprising because of the variety, deliciousness and care of the meals we had in Iceland. In some respect the event was like a county fair.



The first marchers in the parade



“queer families”



“the battle is NOT done”

The enthusiasm was like that of a small town Fourth of July parade: many groups of all ages with banners and signs, floats on truck beds, some with recorded music and dancers on the truck bed or following behind.



I assume the organizers of Reykjavik Pride behind the logo of the event, translated “queer days 2023”



“consensus across politics”



All ages marching and watching



OK, some English



word play in Icelandic [left] “gayraffe forever”

Different was confetti, no grand marshal, very little skin and the language.



Equality hurts no one

Q of equality is the icon for disabled.



trans flag - there was more and more confetti as the parade went on and it was cleaned up the next day.

There were rainbow colors in small towns we travel through on the Ring Road. I have matched each with something philatelic. Comparison: Reykjavik has 124,847 people with 95,673 more in the capital region [2018 Wikipedia]. This is 60% of the country.



below: population in parenthesis



Akureyri (18,542) - steps behind principal church.

below - cancel on 1902 stamp, 1963 issue



Egilsstaðir (2464) - path and two sculptures.

below - cancels on 1983 & 1986 stamps: geothermal energy conversion to electrical energy and Christmas. Our rental car was a hybrid.





Kirkjubaejarklauster (176) - electric car charging.

cancel on 1958 and 2000 stamps. Government flag over Thingvellir where self-governing Icelanders first met in 930 and where North American and European tectonic plates meet, Christmas Elf.



Olafsfjordur (791) - crosswalk -- our stay was in Klara House, the red building. below - unofficial FDC



Seydisfjordur (663) - the main pedestrian street.

cancel on 1898 official stamp, 1986 stamp of town



Volpna fjordur (526) - park near harbor. Socked on Nose 1902 stamp, cancel on 1989 stamp

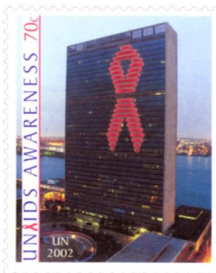


Hideaki Nakano Local Post (HNLP)



In the 1980s, the World Health Organization led U.N. efforts to combat AIDS. By 1996, however, it was clear that the devastating epidemic required a greatly expanded program. Six organizations combined to co-sponsor the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS). The six original organizations were: UNICEF, UNDP, UNFPA, UNESCO, WHO, and the World Bank. They were joined later by UNDCP and ILO. UNAIDS is dedicated to halting the epidemic and reducing its impact.

On October 24, 2002, the U.N. Postal Administration issued a set of three commemorative stamps on AIDS Awareness. The stamps were issued in three denominations - the Swiss franc, United States dollar and euro.



UN835, 2002
The stamp image is an adaptation of a photograph taken by UN photographer Evan Schneider, which depicted the U.N. Secretariat Building taken during a special General Assembly session on HIV/AIDS in June 2001. The symbolic red AIDS ribbon was displayed in lights over the facade of the building to highlight the importance of the conference.

In addition, the United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) also issued their first semi-postal issues. The funds raised were contributed to the global fund on AIDS and health, established in 2001 by U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan.

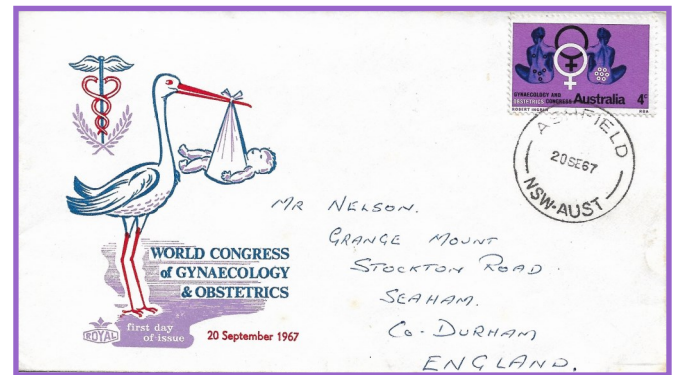


The AFDCS is a volunteer non-profit and non-commercial organization serving the needs of First Day Cover collectors, cachetmakers, and dealers. Founded in 1955, the society has a membership of over 1,100 active first day cover collectors, including many who design and manufacture their own cacheted FDCs.



The AFDCS has over 30 active chapters. Some are groups of FDC specialists, featuring lively newsletters on their specialty. Other AFDCS Chapters are regional affiliates, giving AFDCS members opportunities to meet other local FDC collectors at regular meeting times.

Gynaecology & Obstetrics



The 5th World Gynecology & Obstetrics Congress was held in Sydney Australia in 1967. The commemorative stamp, designed by Robert Ingpen, was issued 20th September 1967 and Photogravure printed by the Reserve Bank of Australia.

The XXIV FIGO World Congress of Gynecology and Obstetrics will be held at the Paris Convention Centre in Paris, France, on 9-12 October 2023. Review of the schedule of speakers, topics, showed that there will be a wide variety covered, but nowhere do they indicate any topic specific to lesbian health issues.

Where do bad rainbows go?



Prism: It's a light sentence, and gives them time to reflect.

The Dark Side of the Moon (1973) is one of the album covers that Royal Mail chose to commemorate the British rock band Pink Floyd in 2016.

New Issues

By John P. Stefanek

On 14 September 2023, Ireland released eight variable rate labels as part of the Tenth Definitive Stamp Series – Art on a Stamp – Phase II, including one stamp featuring work by **Eileen Gray**.

On 7 September 2023, the Netherlands released a miniature sheet commemorating the Centenary of the Walt Disney Company, including one stamp featuring the film, *Frozen*, partly based on a short story by **Hans Christian Andersen**, and one stamp featuring the film, *The Lion King*, partly based on a play by **William Shakespeare**.

On 6 September 2023, the Czech Republic released a miniature sheet celebrating the Plays of **William Shakespeare**.

On 4 September 2023, France released a booklet of twelve stamps commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Walt Disney Company, including one stamp featuring the film, *The Lion King*, partly based on a play by **William Shakespeare**, one stamp featuring the film, *The Little Mermaid*, based on a short story by **Hans Christian Andersen**, one stamp featuring the film, *Peter Pan*, based on a play by **J. M. Barrie**, and one stamp featuring the film, *Frozen*, partly based on a short story by **Hans Christian Andersen**.

On 29 August 2023, Australia released a Souvenir Pack commemorating 100 Years of Disney: Celebration, including two stamps featuring the films, *Encanto* and *Zootopia*, directed by **Byron Howard** and one stamp featuring Kristoff, voiced by **Jonathan Groff**.

Byron Howard (born 1968) was born in Misawa, Japan, was raised near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Issaquah, Washington, and studied at Evergreen State College in Olympia, Washington. He began animating for Disney in 1994 and received a 2003 Annie Award nomination for *Brother Bear*. He is probably best known for directing *Bolt* (2008), *Tangled* (2010), *Zootopia* (2016), and *Encanto* (2021). He has won the Academy Award for Best Animated Feature for both *Zootopia* and *Encanto*. Byron is openly gay and has been married since 1988.



On 29 August 2023, Australia released a Souvenir Pack commemorating 100 Years of Disney: Princesses, including one stamp featuring Ariel from the film, *The Little Mermaid*, based on a short story by **Hans Christian Andersen**.

On 29 August 2023, Australia released a Souvenir Pack commemorating 100 Years of Disney: Pixar, including one stamp featuring Dory from the film *Finding Nemo*, voiced by **Ellen DeGeneres**, three stamps featuring films produced by **Darla K. Anderson**, and one stamp featuring the film, *Coco*, written and co-directed by **Adrian Molina**.

Darla K. Anderson (born 1968) was born and raised in Glendale, California. She studied environmental design at San Diego State University and was an executive producer at Angel Studios before joining Pixar in 1993. She produced the films, *A Bug's Life*, *Monsters, Inc.*, *Cars*, *Toy Story 3*, and *Coco*. *Toy Story 3* won the 2011 Academy Award for Best Animated Feature. Darla is married to fellow producer Kori Rae.



Adrian Molina (born 1985) grew up in Grass Valley, California, and graduated from the California Institute of the Arts. He has been at Pixar since 2007 where he worked on the films, *Ratatouille*, *Toy Story 3*, *Monsters University*, and *The Good Dinosaur*. He wrote and co-directed *Coco*, which won the 2018 Academy Award for Best Animated Feature. He wrote and is directing 2024's *Elio*. Adrian is married to teacher Ryan Dooley.

On 19 August 2023, Malta released three stamps commemorating the 250th Anniversary of the Death of Francesco Zahra, including one stamp featuring **John the Apostle**.

On 14 August 2023, Portugal released two stamps and a souvenir sheet commemorating UNESCO World Heritage Site Batalha Monastery, including one stamp featuring **John the Apostle**.

On 25 July 2023, Australia released a Stamp Pack celebrating the film, *Frozen*, partly based on a short story by **Hans Christian Andersen**, including three stamps and three labels featuring Kristoff, voiced by **Jonathan Groff**.

On 24 July 2023, Turkey released a stamp commemorating the Centenary of the Lausanne Peace Treaty, featuring **Mustafa Kemal Atatürk**.

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On 20 July 2023, Brazil released a miniature sheet commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Birth of **Alberto Santos-Dumont**.

On 20 July 2023, Portugal released two stamps commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Birth of **Alberto Santos-Dumont**.

On 19 July 2023, Guernsey released four stamps commemorating the 75th Anniversary of Regional Stamps, including two stamps featuring Queen Elizabeth II in dresses designed by **Norman Hartnell**.

On 17 July 2023, Mexico released a stamp commemorating the 65th Anniversary of the **Frida Kahlo** Museum, located in the Casa Azul, her birthplace and deathplace.

On 10 July 2023, Azerbaijan released a miniature sheet commemorating the 170th Anniversary of the Birth of Vincent van Gogh, including two stamps featuring cypress trees (**Cyparissus**).

On 4 July 2023, Australia released a Stamp Pack celebrating Matildas Players, including two stamps featuring **Sam Kerr**.

On 28 June 2023, Brazil released an Institutional Stamp commemorating **LGBTQIA+ Pride**.

On 22 June 2023, Greece released five stamps celebrating Costumes of the Theater, including two stamps featuring costumes for plays by **William Shakespeare** and the other stamps featuring costumes for plays by **Sophocles**, **Bertold Brecht**, and **Molière**.

On 22 June 2023, Spain released a stamp celebrating **Elena Fortún (1886-1952)**. She was a Spanish author of children's literature, famous for *Celia, lo que dice* (*What Celia Says*) the first in a series of novels which were collections of short stories originally published in magazines. She married Eusebio de Gorbea y Lemmi, a member of the Generation of 1914, and they fled the Civil War first to Paris, then Argentina. Her secret, lesbian autobiographical novel, *Oculto sendero* (*Hidden Path*), probably finished between 1940 and 1945, was published in Spain in 2016.

On 31 May 2023, Ghana released a miniature sheet commemorating COVID-19: A Tribute to Those on the Front Line, including one stamp and the selvage featuring the Rod of **Asclepius**.

On 3 March 2023, Djibouti released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 30th Anniversary of the Death of Audrey

Hepburn, including one stamp featuring **Hubert de Givenchy**, one souvenir sheet featuring **James Dean** and **Montgomery Clift**, and the other souvenir sheet



featuring her in a dress designed by **Hubert de Givenchy**.

Hubert de Givenchy (1927-2018) was born in Beauvais, Oise, and moved to Paris at the age of 17 to study at the École des Beaux-Arts. His first designs were done for Jacques Fath in 1945. From 1947 to 1951, he worked for avantgarde designer Elsa Schiaparelli. He opened his own design house in 1952. He first met Audrey Hepburn in 1953, during the filming of *Sabrina*. He would go on to design much of her personal and professional wardrobe. He was one of the top couturiers during the 1950s and 1960s. Hubert's longtime partner was fashion designer Philippe Venet.



On 3 March 2023, Djibouti released a souvenir sheet commemorating the 105th Anniversary of the Death of Claude Debussy, featuring **Richard Wagner**.

On 3 March 2023, Djibouti released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 540th Anniversary of the Birth of **Raphael**, including one stamp featuring **John the Apostle**, one souvenir sheet featuring **Aristotle**, **Leonardo da Vinci**, **Socrates**, and **Michelangelo**, and the other souvenir sheet featuring **Apollo** in the selva.

On 24 February 2023, Guinea released a souvenir sheet commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Death of Pablo Picasso, with the selva depicting **Max Jacob**.

On 24 February 2023, Guinea released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 495th Anniversary of the Death of **Albrecht Dürer**.

On 24 February 2023, Guinea released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Opening of the New London Bridge, with the miniature sheet selva and the souve-



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nir sheet featuring Queen Elizabeth II in a dress designed by **Norman Hartnell**.

On 24 February 2023, Guinea released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 110th Anniversary of the Opening of Grand Central Station, including one stamp and the souvenir sheet selvage featuring **Hermes (Mercury)**.

On 24 February 2023, Guinea released a miniature sheet commemorating the 210th Anniversary of the Battle of Bautzen, including one stamp featuring Emperor **Alexander I** of Russia.

On 24 February 2023, Guinea released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet celebrating Heroic Ukrainian Doctors, including the Rod of **Asclepius** in the selvage of both.

On 24 February 2023, Togo released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 495th Anniversary of the Death of **Albrecht Dürer**, including the souvenir sheet featuring Pope **Julius II**.

On 24 February 2023, Togo released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 540th Anniversary of the Birth of **Raphael**, including the miniature sheet selvage featuring **John the Apostle**.

On 16 January 2023, Sierra Leone released two souvenir sheets commemorating the 90th Anniversary of the Birth of Yoko Ono, including one featuring **Andy Warhol** and the other featuring **Salvador Dalí**.

On 16 January 2023, Sierra Leone released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 80th Anniversary of **Janis Joplin**.

On 16 January 2023, Sierra Leone released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 80th Anniversary of the Battle of Tripoli, including one stamp and one souvenir sheet selvage featuring **Bernard Montgomery**.

On 16 January 2023, Sierra Leone released a souvenir sheet commemorating the 170th Anniversary of the Birth of Vincent van Gogh, featuring a cypress tree (**Cyparissus**).

On 16 January 2023, Sierra Leone released a souvenir sheet celebrating Marilyn Monroe, featuring Queen Elizabeth II in a dress designed by **Hardy Amies**.

On 16 January 2023, Sierra Leone released a souvenir sheet commemorating the 30th Anniversary of the Death of Audrey Hepburn, featuring her in a

dress designed by **Hubert de Givenchy** in the selvage.

On 12 January 2023, Guinea-Bissau released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 80th Anniversary of the Battle of Tripoli, including one stamp and the souvenir sheet selvage featuring **Bernard Montgomery**.

On 12 January 2023, Guinea-Bissau released a miniature sheet commemorating the 170th Anniversary of the Birth of Vincent van Gogh, including two stamps featuring cypress trees (**Cyparissus**).

On 12 January 2023, Guinea-Bissau released a miniature sheet celebrating Nude Paintings, including one stamp featuring work by **Tamara de Lempicka**.

On 20 December 2022, Guinea released a miniature sheet celebrating Speed Trains, including one stamp featuring Neuschwanstein Castle, built by King **Ludwig II** of Bavaria.

On 20 December 2022, Guinea released a miniature sheet celebrating Special Transport, including one stamp featuring the Rod of **Asclepius**.

On 20 December 2022, Guinea released a souvenir sheet commemorating the Death of Queen Elizabeth II, including the selvage featuring her wearing the coronation dress designed by **Norman Hartnell** in a photograph by **Cecil Beaton**.

On 10 December 2022, Ivory Coast released four stamps commemorating 60 Years of Diplomatic Relations with Morocco, including two stamps featuring King **Mohammed VI** of Morocco.

On 2 December 2022, Liberia released a souvenir sheet celebrating Motorcycles, featuring **James Dean** in the selvage.

On 14 October 2022, Niger released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 570th Anniversary of the Birth of **Leonardo da Vinci**.

On 14 October 2022, Niger released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 195th Anniversary of the Death of **Ludwig van Beethoven**.

On 14 October 2022, Niger released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the Death of Queen Elizabeth II, featuring her in the coronation dress designed by **Norman Hartnell** in a photograph by **Cecil Beaton**.

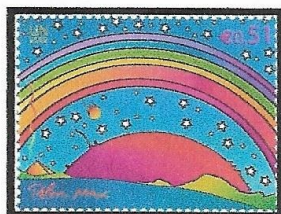
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On 14 October 2022, Niger released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the Death of Diana, Princess of Wales, featuring her in a photograph by **Antony Armstrong-Jones**.

On 7 September 2022, Surinam released two stamps and a souvenir sheet commemorating UPAEP (America) – Art, including one souvenir sheet stamp featuring King **David** of Israel.



“This is not a garbage can”
posted outside Skagway,
Alaska Post Office,
July 2023



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History on
Stamps**

This study unit promotes interest in the collection, study and distribution of knowledge of world-wide philatelic material that depicts:

- Notable homosexual or bisexual men and women and their contributions to society.

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WANT LISTS

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COLLECTOR SEEKS VINTAGE POSTCARDS WITH LGBT CONNECTION (People, History, etc. ALSO MAGS PRIOR TO 1980. Please email Frank at FFINO69@aol.com



Ian Gibson-Smith is seeking the following:

- There was a mailing in 1988 about AIDS. I would love to find an original and know how it was mailed.
- Love letters or letters from gay men or lesbians from prior to 1850 or so that have LGBT relevance. (Stampless postal history)
- Any postal history associated with Baron von Steuben



Dear friend. I was a stamp collector. Postcard collector. FDC collector. Now I'm just staying with my autograph collection. I suggest if you have an autograph then I will send you: 50 stamps for one autograph Or 10 postcards for one autograph Or 1 fdc for one autograph. I have that you like my perspective Marek, Instagram Wysoczynski The smile photographer



LGBT Exhibit Wish List

Tomas Griebing is thinking of putting together an exhibit related to LGBT symbols, specifically the Lambda, the Labrys, and the Pink Triangle. He will need stamps, cancels, meters, covers, cachets, postcards, etc. The focus is the symbols (specifically Pink Triangle - or Blank Triangle - Lambda, and Labrys).

He will not be including the Pride Flag rainbow or the Red Ribbon (HIV specific).

If anyone has any to share, sell, trade or has contacts that would assist Tomas in completing this project, please email TLGINKC@yahoo.com