

# EDMONTON STAMP CLUB 2026 SPRING STAMP SHOW



**21-22 March 2026**

**Saturday 10-5, Sunday 10-4**

**Central Lion's Recreational Centre  
113 St & 111 Ave**

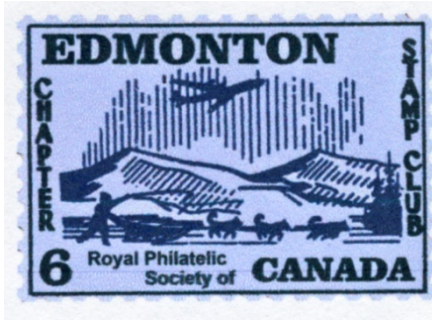
**The theme of this year's show is:  
50 Years of Edmonton Stamp Club Meetings  
at St. Joseph High School**



**Stamp Dealers from across Western Canada  
Stamp Circuit Books, Door Prize Draw, Junior Stamp Table  
*Free Stamp Evaluations with Admission*  
*Food Bank Donations***

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The Edmonton Stamp Club dates back to 1912. The Club is Life Chapter #6 of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada and Chapter #680 of the American Philatelic Society. **The editor welcomes communications of all kinds – letters, comments, and articles.**

These may be forwarded to John-

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The Edmonton Stamp Club respectfully acknowledges that we are located on the traditional territory of the First Nations, the Inuit, and the Métis peoples. We recognize the land as an act of reconciliation and gratitude to those whose territory we reside on or are visiting.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



As President of the Edmonton Stamp Club, I am so excited to welcome philatelists (stamp collectors) to our 2026 Spring National Stamp Show. Plan to spend the day. Over a hundred frames of exhibits, respected dealers, free valuations, junior table, exceptional food in the cafeteria, presentations, and a Sunday morning breakfast award ceremony.

Dealers from across Canada, including several of our club members, will have tables full of all wonders of philatelic delights. A measly \$5 gets you in the Lion's Senior Centre. Please remember to bring a food donation for the Edmonton Food Bank.

**30 under 30 by 2030** is our way of bringing youth into the delights of stamp collecting. We've already exceeded this goal of 30 new members under 30 years of age. We look forward especially to our Edmonton area students geeking-out with us stamp folks for the weekend of 21 & 22 March 2026. We are offering **FREE admission** to this year's stamp show for all students, as well as a **FREE membership** to the Edmonton Stamp Club until 30 June 2026, and a **\$10 annual membership fee** thereafter for full-time students.

The Edmonton Stamp Club meets twice a month on Monday evenings from 6:00 to 9:30. We hope to see you at one of our club meetings at St. Joseph High School. This year we celebrate a 50-year relationship with that high school and the Edmonton Catholic School Division.

In philately,

David V. Pattison, President  
Edmonton Stamp Club

## The Show Cancellations



## Celebrating 50 Years of Edmonton Stamp Club Meetings at St. Joseph High School

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### **St. Joseph Catholic High School**

This secondary school located in Central Edmonton is the largest high school in Alberta by area.

St. Joseph High School opened in 1930 as the first high school for Catholic boys in the Edmonton region. In the 1950s with the closing of St. Mary's High School, St. Joseph opened its doors to girls. Since 1998 St. Joseph's High School has offered self-directed learning programs.

### **School Mission**

The mission of St. Joseph High School is to provide a Catholic education that nurtures the whole person, fostering spiritual, intellectual, and moral growth in every student, empowering them to fulfill their God-given potential.

## **Athletics**

The Saints compete in various sports such as basketball, football, soccer, volleyball, track and field, badminton, cross country, curling, golf, and swimming. In the 1981/82 school year, St. Joe's became the first and only Catholic high school in Edmonton to ever win a triple crown: they won a Senior City Championship in Football, Basketball, and Soccer all in a single school year.

## **Notable Alumni**

- Eddie Carroll - Voice Actor known as the voice of Jiminy Cricket for 37 years
- Peter Cunningham - Retired 7-time World Champion Kickboxer
- Jim Donlevy - Former University of Alberta Golden Bears football Coach (1971–80, 1984–90) and Western Hockey League educational consultant; led the Golden Bears to Vanier Cup victories in 1972 and 1980
- Hank Ilesic - Former Punter for Edmonton Eskimos and 7-time Grey Cup Winner. Inducted into the Canadian Football Hall of Fame in 2018
- Honorable Marcel Lambert - Former Canadian politician and Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada (1962–63)
- Gene Principe - Current Sports Reporter for Sportsnet
- Bill Smith (Alberta politician) - Mayor of Edmonton 1995-2004 and former defensive back for the Edmonton Eskimos 1956-63
- Honorable Allan Wachowich - Former Chief Justice of the Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta 2001-2009

Every year the Edmonton Stamp Club puts on a Stamp Show. This event is held as the year turns to Spring. It is held in the Lion's Centre on 111 Ave. & 113 St. There are stamps for sale and competitive displays (Exhibits) including a table for Junior collectors, door prizes, and more. Every show has a theme as well, and this year we are commemorating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Edmonton Stamp Club's holding its meetings at St. Joseph High School (since the Fall 1975/Spring 76 to the current stamp club year). Please enjoy these

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show covers celebrating a 50-year relationship between a great school and a great stamp club.

### **Door Prize**

Don't forget to fill out your door prize ticket. The tickets are available at the club table near the entrance to the show.

### **Schedule of Events**

#### Saturday 21 March

10:00 AM Opening ceremony of ESC Spring National Show

10:00 AM-5:00 PM Free appraisals in gym in area between exhibits and bleachers

11:00 AM-4:00 PM Cafeteria open - Lunch Special all day

8:00 AM-5:00 PM Judges use Board Room

5:00 PM Show closes

#### Sunday 22 March

8:00 AM-10AM Awards Breakfast – in Atrium

10:00 AM Show opens

10:00-4PM Free appraisals in gym in area between exhibits and bleachers

11:00 AM-3:00 PM Cafeteria open - Lunch Special all day

10:30 AM-12:00 PM Judges' feedback at each exhibit with judge & exhibitor

1:00 PM-3:30 PM Seminars in Board Room (16 maximum)

- 1:00-2:00 PM Ken Snelsen, Philatelic Specialist Society, "Dendy Marshall and My Collection of Returned Letter Office Ambulance Covers"

4:00 PM Show closes

4:00 – 6:00 PM Clean up

## The Judges



### **Steve Johnson**

Steve Johnson started collecting as a young child through Cub Scouts, and with the aid of his stamp collecting dad and uncle. Rediscovering the hobby in the early 2000s, he started collecting Canadian Semi-Official Airmail stamps, with a particular interest in Yukon Airways and Exploration Company Limited.

Graduating from collector to exhibitor, Steve has earned National-level gold medals, along with FIP-level vermeil and gold medals, with a highlight being an FIP large gold medal for his Yukon Airways traditional exhibit. Steve has been an RPSC accredited National level judge since 2019.



### **John Wilson**

John Wilson first became fascinated by stamps when, as a child, his mother's collection was used to distract him when he was ill and had to stay home from school for an extended period of time. He got his

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first "kit" at the age of twelve and began as he continues -- mounting and sorting an accumulation into blank albums.

He discovered auctions when at the University of Toronto, where he minored in All About Everything, and took up serious collecting after graduating, having bought a box of 13,996 stamps off paper (he counted!) from one of John Talman's earliest mail catalogue sales.

He has worked as a house manager in repertory theatre, as a public relations flack specializing in speechwriting, as a freelance journalist and editor, an arts administrator with both the League of Canadian Poets and the Canadian Authors' Association, and -- shockingly -- has spent fifteen years as an ESL teacher, all with the same company, which recently fulfilled his worst nightmare by presenting him with a dreaded watch on his anniversary!

He has volunteered with many organizations, including the Native Men's Residence, the Canadian Cooperative for Linguistic and Cultural Studies, and the Sussex-Ulster Residents' Association, as well as serving on the City's advisory committee on the rebuilding of Boys' and Girls' House (the Lillian Smith Library, the Osborne, and Merrill collections).

He is "not a joiner" and came late to stamp societies, but is presently active in the North Toronto club (first vice-president, program chair and long-time newsletter editor) as well as the Hong Kong Study Circle and the Toronto Stamp Collectors' Club.

John collects philatelic literature of all sorts and is particularly interested in what lies beyond the accepted catalogues. He has a long-term interest in cancellations of the British Empire and pays particular attention to the postal history of British Guiana and of Hong Kong and the Treaty Ports.

<p>The Calgary Philatelic Society is holding its Spring Bourse 28-29 March at the Kerby Centre, 1133 7<sup>th</sup> Ave., 10-5 Saturday, 10-3 Sunday. Free admission. Dealers, circuit books, junior table.</p>
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## The Exhibits

<b>Frames</b>	<b>Exhibitor</b>	<b>Title</b>
1-9	Joel Weiner	Allied Forces Cancellations Used in Palestine during World War I, 1917-1921
10-14	Sam Chiu	Frogs & Toads, Their Relevance to Humans
15-19	David McLaughlin	Householder Mail in Canada 1889-1989
20	Neil Donen	"Madame Joseph" Forged Postmarks of the King George 1935 Silver Jubilee Issue: Continental Africa
21-22	Mark Oakley	Post Offices of the Pacific Northwest Coast of British Columbia
23-27	Dave Russum	Great Britain to Canada Mail 1800 to Present - Efficiency and Rates
28	Stéphane Cloutier	Tsar Nicholas II's Visit to Paris, France in October 1896
29-36	Sam Chiu	Hong Kong Wartime Airmail September 1939 to December 1941
37-40	Dave Bartlet	Okanagan Wineries, from a Philatelic Aspect
41-42	Peter MacDonald	Canada's Centennial Year Christmas Issue
43	Jean-Jacques Tillard	Les entiers postaux "pêcheur" et "goéland" à SPM 1909-1918
44-50	Steve Friedenthal	Canada World War II Patriotic Postage Meter Slogans 1939-1946
51-53	Bryan Dunne	British Columbia Forgeries
54	David Biltek	Canada's First Official Stamps: What, Why, How, and When
55	Sam Chiu	Pre-War Port Arthur, 1898-1904
56	Bryan Dunne	Canada 1897 Jubilee Fakes & Forgeries

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57-63	Robert Stock	Oxford County, U.C. / C.W. Postmarks
64-68	Sam Chiu	Hong Kong Queen Victoria Postal Stationery: Cards, Envelopes, and Wrappers, 1879-1902
69-70	Neil Donen	1935-36 Canada Air Mail Usage of 1935 Silver Jubilee Stamps
71-77	Joel Weiner	The Handstruck Postal Markings of Oxford, UK 1706-1952
78	Donna Trathen	Canada's First RCMP Stamp (1935)
79	David Biltek	Varieties in the Key of G
80-84	Sam Chiu	The IPO Tieprints of 1899: Chinese Imperial Post Office's Measures to Counteract Pilfering of Foreign Stamps on Outgoing Mail
85-90	Dale Speirs	Postal History of The Calgary Winter Olympics
91-92	David McLaughlin	Victorian Belt & Buckle Symbols in Philately, Postal History, & Ephemera
93	Kenneth Snelson	The Development of UK Post Office Detained for Postage Notices
94-98	Kenneth Snelson	UK Returned Letter Offices - Rationalization of Ambulance Envelopes- c. 1897 to c. 1925
99-100	Dave Bartlet	Canadian and Newfoundland Pioneer Airmail Flights of 1918-20
101	Wladyslaw Dziemianczuk	The Last Post
102	Jean Wang	Smokes for the Troops: British and Canadian Tobacco Funds in WWI
103	Duncan Murray	First Stamps of British North America
104	Dave Bartlet	Royal Flying Corps in Canada 1917-18

**Edmonton Stamp Club  
Distinguished Service Award:  
Laureates**

2022 John Bucci	2000 Margaret Powell
2020-21 no award (Covid-19)	1999 Christopher Miller
2019 Jim Lockau	1998 Maurice Hampson
2018 Kelly Liusz-Moser	1997 Alan Meech
2017 Fred Tauber	1996 Edmund Harris
2016 Peter Kuester	1995 John Powell
2015 Ken Kluchky	1994 Deirdre McKay
2014 Bill VanderStelt	1993 Edgar Mackay
2013 Ed Muxlow	1992 Roman Zrobok
2012 Carol Warren	1991 Doris McKay
2011 Richard Barnes	1990 Jan Roebroek
2010 Bob Hyodo	1989 Michael Burrington
2009 Joe Liusz	1988 Stewart Kenyon
2008 Ed Dykstra	1987 Siegfried Osterwoldt
2007 George (Bud) Cutler	1986 Kim Frandsen
2006 Patricia Bates	1985 Doris Church
2005 John Attrell	1984 Ian Paterson
2004 Ernie Carlson	1983 Keith Spencer
2003 Roy Hauer	1982 Bert Huffman
2002 David Piercey	1981 Clark Bolton
2001 Jim Miller	1980 George Parkinson

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## **2026 Edmonton Spring National LIST OF POTENTIAL SPECIAL AWARDS**

### **Edmonton Stamp Club**

Grand Award - Best multiframe exhibit	gift & ribbon
Reserve Grand Award - Next best exhibit	gift & ribbon
Single Frame Grand - Best one-frame exhibit	gift & ribbon

### **Royal Philatelic Society of Canada**

Excellence for Treatment	medal
Excellence for Material	medal
Excellence of Presentation	medal
Excellence synopsis/Title page	medal
New Exhibit Award	badge

### **American Philatelic Society**

Award of Excellence - Pre-1900	medal & ribbon
Award of Excellence - 1900-1940	medal & ribbon
Award of Excellence - 1940-1980	medal & ribbon
Award of Excellence - Post 1980	medal & ribbon
Award for Research	medal & ribbon

### **Philatelic Specialists Society of Canada**

Specialization Award	medal & ribbon
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### **British North America Philatelic Society**

Best researched BNA exhibit	plaque & ribbon
Best BNAPS exhibit	plaque & ribbon
Best BNA 2 x 4 exhibit	plaque & ribbon
Best BNA one-frame exhibit	plaque & ribbon
John D. Arn White Queen Award	pin

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## **American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors**

Exhibiting Excellence	ribbon & pin
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Novice Award	certificate
Creativity Award	pin
Jean Benninghoff	
Encouragement Award	certificate
Women Exhibitors Sterling Achievement Award	pin

## **American Philatelic & Postal History Congress**

Excellence in Exhibit Text	book
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## **Postal History Society of Canada**

Best BNA Postal History Exhibit	certificate & ribbon
Best Military Exhibit	certificate & ribbon

## **American Topical Association**

Gold Award	pin & ribbon
Silver Award	pin & ribbon
Bronze Award	pin & ribbon
One Frame Award	pin & Ribbon
Youth Award	medal

## **Canadian Aerophilatelic Society**

Best Airmail Exhibit	plaque
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## **Auxiliary Markings Club**

Award of Excellence	certificate
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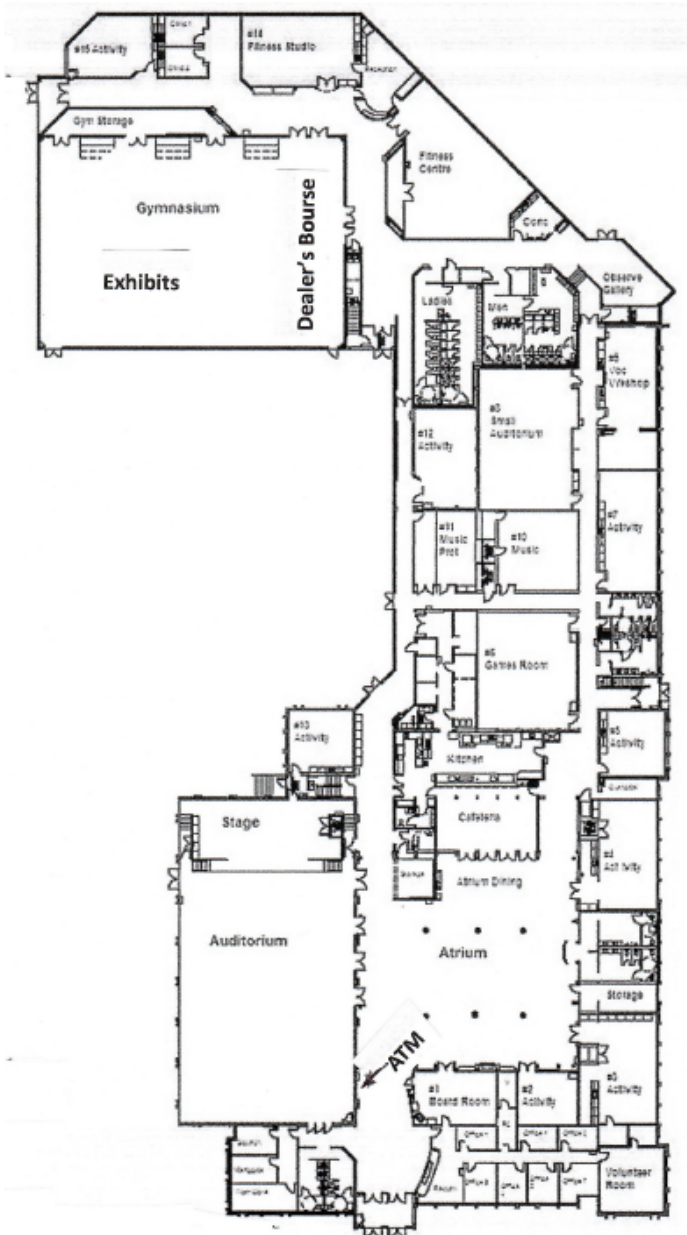
## **United Postal Stationery Society**

Marcus White Best Multi-Frame Award	
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Porter Venn Best Single Frame  
Award

## Floor Plan



## Meeting Dates

The Edmonton Stamp Club meets Mondays at 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria of St. Joseph High School, 10830-109 Street. Park to the north of the school and use the main entrance at the southeast corner of the school. For information about the club call 780-467-4825 or 780-437-1787.

**2026**

13 and 27 April

11 and 25 May

8 and 22 June



"I can't believe everybody isn't camping out to get in first."

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<https://www.edmontonstampclub.ca/blog>