

# CHICAGOPEX 2024 Marks 138 Years of CPS

The Chicago Philatelic Society (CPS) will present its annual philatelic exhibition, CHICAGOPEX, Friday to Sunday, November 22 to 24 at the Westin Chicago Northwest, 400 Park Blvd., Itasca, Ill. Admission and parking are free. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Attendees are asked to contact the hotel (phone: 630-773-4000) to make reservations and to mention Chicago Philatelic Society for the special room rate.

2024 is the 138th anniversary of the CPS. Organized October 8, 1886 as a continuation of the Chicago Stamp Collectors Union, which was organized in December, 1884, CPS is chapter No. 1 of the American Philatelic Society and one of two organizations with the longest uninterrupted service to philately in the United States. On Friday, Scott English, APS executive director, will host a town hall.

The show bourse is expected to feature more than 60 dealers from the U.S. and Europe, offering a vast array of material for everyone from beginners to advanced collectors and exhibitors.

The Philatelic exhibit frames are full. CPS expects nearly 300 frames of competitive philatelic material to be on display, including rare and notable material. 2024 marks the 58th anniversary of the show's philatelic literature competition, with books and other materials on display. One of two such annual U.S.-based competitions for print material, it also accepts digital entries.

The show also features the AmeriStamp Expo in partnership with the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors. This event includes the Single Frame Champion of Champions competition, which highlights the best single-frame exhibits from World Series of Philately shows held during the prior year. AmeriStamp Expo also features the annual AAPE single-frame team competition.

Three specialty societies will convene at CHICAGOPEX: Rossica Society of Russian Philately, Scandinavian Collectors Club and Women Exhibitors. Also, the American Topical Association is offering several sessions. WE Fest

VIII begins on Wednesday night before the show and features educational presentations and discussions on how to create and refine competitive philatelic exhibits.

The show also includes a youth / beginners' booth and speakers and meetings for the Chicago Philatelic Society, Collectors Club of Chicago, Germany Philatelic Society Chapter #5, Illinois Postal History Society, North Shore Philatelic Society and the convening societies. Most meetings and talks are free and open to the public.

Each day at lunchtime, Edward Bergen will be signing his book Walt Disney's 2nd Superstar Donald Duck. On Saturday, there will be a talk for Zeppelin mail enthusiasts and a hands-on workshop for Boy Scouts to earn a badge for stamp collecting. Advanced registration is required for the workshop.

Saturday night will feature a catered awards banquet. Tickets must be purchased in advance; dress is business casual. Please see the CHICAGOPEX website, [www.chicagopex.org](http://www.chicagopex.org), for details.

For more information, contact Melanie Rogers, Publicity Chair, CPS, [chicagopex@gmail.com](mailto:chicagopex@gmail.com), 312-593-7909. You can also follow CPS on <https://www.facebook.com/chicagopex>.

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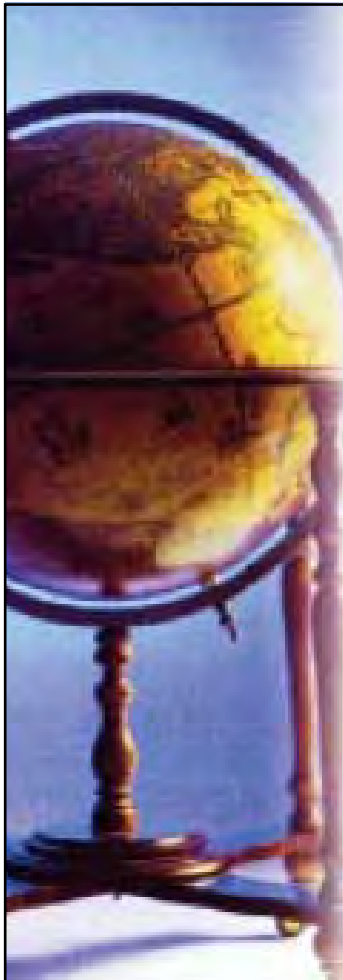


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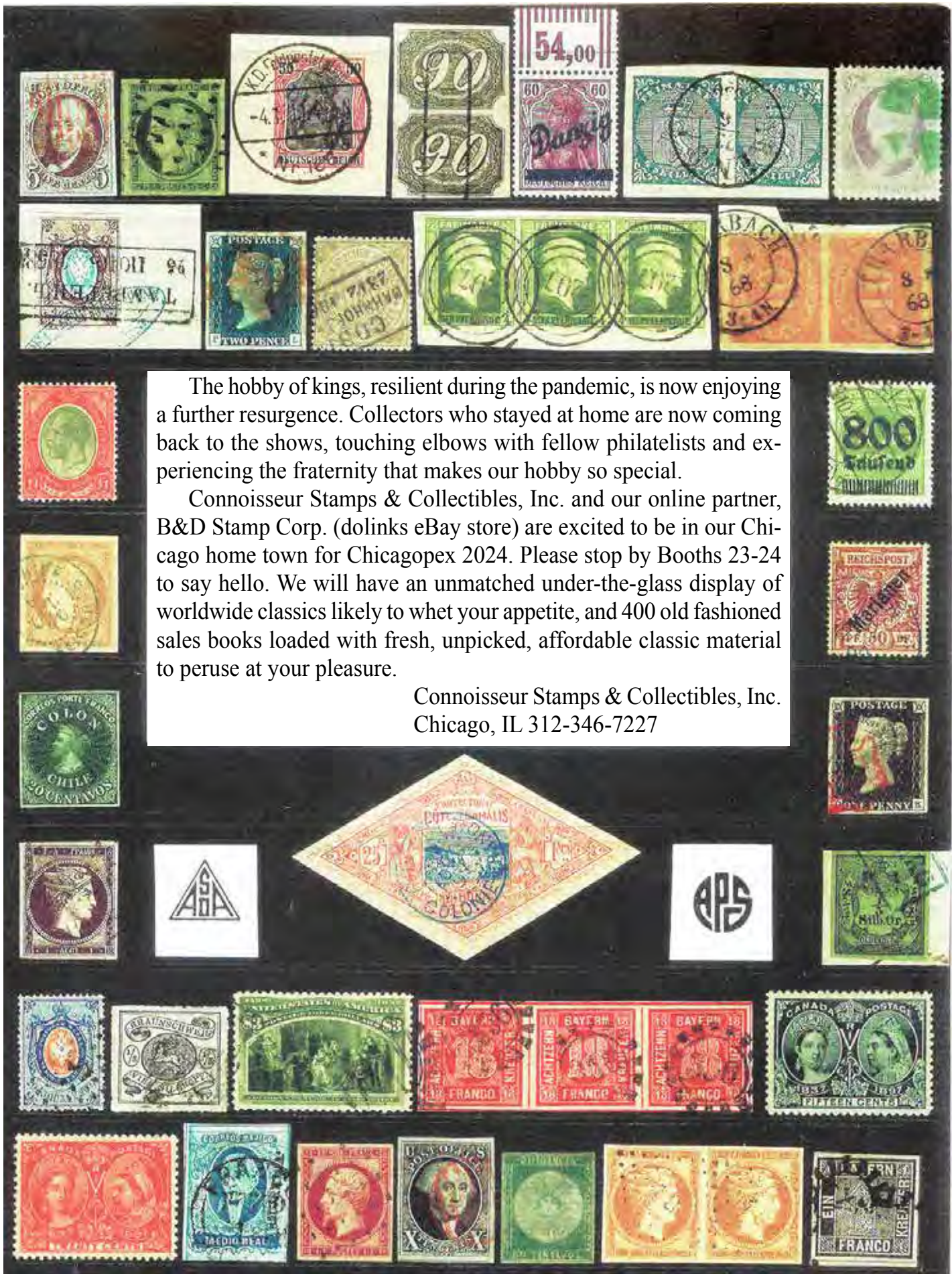
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