

# Garfield-Perry Stamp Club

Founded 1890

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## **PROSPECTUS: 125<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MARCH PARTY AND EXHIBITION**

### GENERAL INFORMATION

The MARCH PARTY 2015 will be held Thursday, March 19 through Saturday, March 21, 2015. The exhibition and bourse will be held at the LaVilla Banquet and Party Center, 11500 Brookpark Rd., Cleveland, OH. Many of the social events will take place at the Cleveland Airport Marriott, 4277 W. 150<sup>th</sup> St., Cleveland, OH. For hotel reservations telephone 216-252-5333.

Activities include a show hospitality room and a Friday complimentary Exhibitors and Judges Luncheon. The Awards Banquet will be held Friday evening, details of which will be on our website, [www.garfieldperry.org](http://www.garfieldperry.org). Banquet tickets are \$55 per person.

The MARCH PARTY is an A.P.S. World Series of Philately (WSP) qualified show with the Grand Award and One-Frame winners eligible to compete in the respective Champion of Champions competitions.

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

1. This exhibit is open to all individual exhibitors who conform to the rules in this prospectus. Material exhibited must be the property of the exhibitor. Exhibits with dual (other than husband, wife and child) or corporate ownership are not eligible.
2. You should mail your Entry Form(s) as early as practical but not later than January 15, 2015, to be considered for acceptance at the 2015 March Party.
3. The exhibit consists of four classes:
  - a) Open Competition - 3 frames minimum to 10 frames maximum.
  - b) Youth Exhibits – for exhibitors 18 and under as of Jan. 1, 2015. No frame fees will be charged for youth exhibits. A parent or guardian must sign the entry form.
  - c) Postcard class - 3 frames minimum to 10 frames maximum.
  - d) One-Frame Exhibits (limited to approximately ten entries).

Exhibitors are asked to designate their exhibit's class, division and type.

4. An exhibitor may enter one exhibit from any of classes a), b) or c) and one exhibit from class d). The exhibitor must mail an entry form for each exhibit, along with the entry fee of \$12.00 per frame if multi-frame, and \$25.00 if single frame, to David Clark, address noted above. Please make checks payable to the "Garfield-Perry Stamp Club." Applications will be reviewed by the G-P Exhibits Committee. Exhibitors will be notified of acceptance within three weeks after receipt. The Committee reserves the right to refuse any exhibit at its discretion. Exhibits shown at the last two March Party

shows will not be accepted unless frames remain available on January 15 or significant changes have been made since the last showing. Fees paid will be refunded in the event of non-acceptance, but will not be refunded after an exhibit has been accepted.

#### FRAME SIZE AND CAPACITY

5. Each frame measures 36" x 48" and will hold sixteen 16-9"x12" pages arranged in four horizontal rows of four pages. Slightly larger pages can be accommodated with some overlapping. To exhibit large or odd-sized pages you must obtain prior approval from the Committee unless you will be present to mount and dismount the exhibit. Exhibitors must use page protectors. We strongly recommend numbering exhibit pages to assure proper mounting sequence.

#### DELIVERY AND RETURN OF EXHIBIT'S

6. If you are sending your exhibit, you should ship it to arrive no earlier than March 9 and no later than March 17. You must send your exhibit to: David Clark, address noted above. Exhibitors should contact David Clark to identify method of delivery in advance. The Committee prefers that you ship your exhibit via Federal Express, with advance notice of tracking number. As the Committee will not open exhibits prior to the show, do not include a reply card.
7. If you are bringing your exhibit to the March Party, you should plan to arrive at LaVilla Banquet and Party Center between 12:00 and 5:00 PM on Wednesday, March 18. Hotel shuttle service will be provided at noon, 2:00 and 4:00. Committee members will mount your exhibit if you wish, or you may mount it yourself.
8. No exhibit will be removed from frames until the show closes at 4:00 PM Saturday and only after the exhibit area is clear of all visitors including exhibitors. In most years, all exhibitors present at the show closing have completed their exhibit removal by 4:30 PM. Exhibitors are expected to arrange their personal travel schedule or the method for return of their exhibit accordingly. Out-of-town exhibitors will be given preference at the discretion of the Committee. One designated Committee member will control the order of exhibit breakdown and will call for the exhibitor to participate in removal when it is his or her turn. An exhibitor may not remove an exhibit except in the presence of a Committee member.
9. At the close of the show, unless otherwise instructed, the Committee will return exhibits by Federal Express, next day priority. Exhibitors are obligated to pay return costs.

#### INSURANCE AND SECURITY

10. Owners must provide their own insurance. Garfield-Perry supplies professional, around-the-clock security during the entire show. However, each exhibitor, by entering the exhibit, does and shall agree that no responsibility for any loss shall be attached to the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club or the LaVilla Banquet and Party Center, including their officers, members, volunteers or employees.

#### JUDGING

11. All exhibits will be judged by a panel of A.P.S. accredited judges, and their decisions will be final. Each exhibit will be judged on its own merits by applying the standards

in the most recent edition of *The Manual of Philatelic Judging*.

12. The jury panel is confidential and will not be announced in the philatelic media nor listed on the GP website prior to the show.

#### AWARDS

13. Judges will award a multi-frame Grand Award and Reserve Grand Award. Judges will also award Gold, Vermeil, Silver, Silver-Bronze and Bronze medals without regard to exhibit classification. One-frame exhibits will receive medals as above.
14. Judges will also award Garfield-Perry Stamp Club special awards for the best exhibits in the following categories: United States, Foreign, Postal History, Thematic, One-Frame and Best Exhibit by an Active Garfield-Perry Member.
15. Society awards will be awarded as available and at the discretion of the jury.
16. One-frame exhibits will be awarded Garfield-Perry awards for first, second and third.

#### GENERAL

17. Exhibit titles and exhibitors' names will be listed on the website and in show publicity, the show program and the palmares. Exhibitors may indicate on the Entry Form whether or not to include his or her name in the Show Program and other show publicity. Your exhibit may be anonymous or under a pseudonym if you provide your identity to the Exhibit Committee.
18. Exhibitors are to supply the Committee with eight (8) copies of the title page and synopsis with the Entry Form, or as soon thereafter as practical. Title pages, synopses and revisions will be forwarded to the judges as received. One copy of each will be forwarded to the APRL. Any title pages, synopses or revisions received after February 15, 2015, may be ignored by the jury at their sole discretion.
19. All banquet attendees must make a reservation for the Awards Banquet by noon, March 20, 2015.

**OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM - 2015 GARFIELD-PERRY MARCH PARTY EXHIBIT**

The exact title of the exhibit: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Short description of exhibit: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Philatelic organization memberships: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_ General (Open) Competition \_\_\_ One-Frame \_\_\_ Postcard

Youth : age\_\_\_\_ (as of Jan, 1, 2015) \_\_\_ Check if novice exhibitor with no prior WSP experience

Division: \_\_\_ Postal \_\_\_ Revenue \_\_\_ Thematic \_\_\_ Illustrated Mail \_\_\_ Cinderella Display

If Postal Division or Illustrated Mail, Exhibit Type: \_\_\_\_\_

My exhibit page size is \_\_\_\_\_. I have a special page size as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

If Single Frame, Frame fee (\$25): \$\_\_\_\_\_.

If Multi-Frame, number of frames: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$12 = Frame fee: \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet ticket(s): \_\_\_\_\_ x \$55: \_\_\_\_\_

Return postage funds \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Will deliver exhibit: \_\_\_ In Person \_\_\_ By Other Delivery \_\_\_\_\_

Will pick up exhibit: \_\_\_ In Person \_\_\_ By Agent (Name \_\_\_\_\_)

\_\_\_ Please return my exhibit. Type of service desired \_\_\_\_\_ Insurance Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Will attend the complimentary Exhibitors and Judges Luncheon Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

My name \_\_\_ may \_\_\_ may not be listed in the show program.

My name \_\_\_ may \_\_\_ may not be listed in the palmars.

My name \_\_\_ may \_\_\_ may not be listed in other show publicity (including GP website).

I understand that the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club and its members assume no responsibility in the event of damage to an exhibit or for loss or theft. Signing this entry form denotes acceptance of the above and the rules governing the exhibition. I agree that the decision of the judges shall be final, and release and agree to hold harmless the judges, the American Philatelic Society and the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, its officers, directors, employees, and representatives from any damages, including but not limited to damages to my reputation or that of my exhibit, suffered or incurred as a result of the judging.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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(For use by the Committee)

Material Received \_\_\_\_\_

Mounted \_\_\_\_\_ Dismounted \_\_\_\_\_

Garfield-Perry March Party 2015

The 2015 March Party will feature the Northeast regional state postal history exhibit competition. Please check below if you are a member of any of the listed societies.

- Connecticut Postal History Society
- Empire State Postal History Society
- Maine Postal History Society
- Massachusetts Postal Research Society
- New Hampshire Postal History Society
- Ohio Postal History Society
- Pennsylvania Postal History Society
- Rhode Island Postal History Society
- Vermont Philatelic Society