

Garfield-Perry Stamp Club

Founded 1890

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PROSPECTUS: 133rd ANNUAL MARCH PARTY AND EXHIBITION

GENERAL INFORMATION

MARCH PARTY 2023 will be held Friday, March 17 through Sunday, March 19, 2023, at the Best Western Plus - Strongsville, 15471 Royalton Rd., Strongsville, OH 44136. All social events will take place at that venue. For hotel reservations telephone 440-238-8800. **Show rate is \$109 per night prior to February 16, 2023.** Airport shuttle service is available upon advanced request.

Activities include a show hospitality room and a Saturday complimentary Exhibitors and Judges Luncheon. **There will be an Awards Banquet, tickets \$55 each.**

MARCH PARTY 2023 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 exhibition 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 spouse or child(ren)) or corporate ownership are not eligible.
2. Please mail your Entry Form(s) as early as practical but not later than January 14, 2023, to be considered for acceptance into the March Party 2023. You must include a title page and synopsis with your application.
3. The exhibition consists of three competitive classes. You must designate your exhibit's class.
 - a) Open Competition – 2 to 10 frames.
 - b) Youth Exhibits – for exhibitors 18 and under as of January 1, 2023. No frame fees will be charged for youth exhibits. A parent or guardian must sign the entry form.
 - c) One-Frame Exhibits.
4. You may enter one exhibit from either class a) or b) and one exhibit from class c). You must mail a separate entry form for each exhibit, along with the entry fee of **\$25.00** for the first frame and **\$11.00** for each additional frame, to Gregory Shoults, address noted above. Please make checks payable to the “Garfield-Perry Stamp Club.”

Applications will be reviewed by the G-P Exhibits Committee. The Committee reserves the right to refuse any exhibit at its sole discretion. Exhibits shown at the last two March Party shows will not be accepted unless unassigned 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.

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FRAME SIZE AND CAPACITY

5. Each frame must measure 36" x 48" to hold sixteen 8-½" x 11" 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 shipping your exhibit, please send it to arrive no later than March 14. The shipping address is: **1053 Portage Trail, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44221, c/o Rocco Caponi.**
Please notify Exhibits Chairperson Greg Shoults at coilcollector@hotmail.com when your exhibit ships and share the tracking number.
7. If you are bringing your exhibit to the March Party, plan to arrive at the Best Western Plus - Strongsville between 1:00 and 5:00 PM on Thursday, March 16. 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 3:00 PM Sunday 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 3:30 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 dismounting when it is his or her turn. An exhibitor may not remove an exhibit except in the presence of a Committee member.
9. 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. Exhibit 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 Best Western Plus - Strongsville, 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 APS Manual of Philatelic Judging and Exhibiting*.
12. The jury panel will be listed at www.garfieldperry.org prior to the show.

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AWARDS

13. Judges will award one **One-Frame Grand Award**, one **Multi-Frame Grand Award**, and one **Reserve Grand Award**. Judges will also award **Large Gold, Gold, Large Vermeil, Vermeil, Large Silver, Silver, Silver-Bronze and Bronze** medals without regard to exhibit classification.
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, and Best Exhibit by an Active Garfield-Perry Member*.
15. Society awards will be awarded as available and at the discretion of the jury.

GENERAL

16. Exhibit titles and exhibitors' names will be listed on the G-P website and in show publicity, including the show program and the palmarès. You may opt-out of having your name listed by checking the appropriate box on the entry form. Your exhibit may also be presented under a pseudonym or anonymously, but you must provide your identity to the Exhibit Committee.
17. Exhibitors must 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, 2023, may be ignored by the judges at their sole discretion.
18. Reservations for the Awards Banquet close at noon March 17, 2023.

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM - 2023 GARFIELD-PERRY MARCH PARTY EXHIBIT

The exact title of the exhibit: _____

Displayed Presenter's Name: _____ Anonymous

Short description of exhibit: _____

Check this box if you are a member of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club

CLASS: General (Open) Competition One-Frame Youth – age ____ (as of 1/1/23)

Check if **novice exhibitor** (no prior WSP experience)

My exhibit pages are: letter size, or my exhibit pages are a special size: _____

First Frame fee (\$25): \$25.00

Additional frames: _____ x \$11: \$_____

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

Return shipping funds: \$_____

Total enclosed: \$_____

Exhibit delivery: In Person or By courier: _____

Exhibit return: In Person or By courier: _____

Type of courier service desired: _____

Insurance amount: \$ _____

My name: may may not be listed in the show program.

My name: may may not be listed in the palmarès.

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

I will attend the complimentary Exhibitors and Judges Luncheon: Yes No

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: _____

Printed Name: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

(parent/guardian of youth presenter)

Printed Name: _____

(parent/guardian of youth presenter)

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Landline

Email: _____

Committee use only

Date exhibit received: _____

Exhibit mounted by: _____

Exhibit dismounted by: _____