

American Helvetia Philatelic Society

Criteria for Awards at U.S. Exhibitions

To promote the philately of Switzerland and Liechtenstein, the American Helvetia Philatelic Society (APS Affiliate No. 52) provides special awards for the best exhibits in these collecting areas at philatelic exhibitions in the United States. Exhibits of international organizations (such as the United Nations) are also eligible if at least 50 percent of the displayed material relates to offices and usage in Switzerland. Helvetia has established these criteria for judges to follow in making the awards.

U.S. Shows

1. **Bronze medal** for the best exhibit at a national-level show that participates in the APS World Series of Philately, if the show has at least two eligible exhibits by different exhibitors. Both one-frame and multi-frame exhibits are eligible. The winner does not have to be a Helvetia member.
2. **Certificate** for the best exhibit at any other national, regional or local show, if the show has at least two eligible exhibits by different exhibitors. Both one-frame and multi-frame exhibits are eligible. The winner does not have to be a Helvetia member.
3. **Sophie Buser Memorial Youth Award** for a worthy exhibit of at least two frames at any U.S. show, including an AHPS national convention show, by an exhibitor no older than 18. The winner does not have to be a Helvetia member.

AHPS National Convention Shows

4. **Felix Ganz Memorial Grand Award** with gold medal and one set of **gold, silver and bronze medals** for the four best exhibits at any show that hosts an AHPS national convention. Both one-frame and multi-frame exhibits are eligible. Only the winner of the grand award must be a Helvetia member. (See special criteria for grand award.)
5. **Best One-Frame Award** at a national convention that includes at least two eligible exhibits. The winner does not have to be a Helvetia member.
6. **Novice Award** for a first-time exhibitor at a national convention who has never entered his exhibit at an earlier World Series of Philately show. Both one-frame and multi-frame exhibits are eligible. The winner does not have to be a Helvetia member.

Any show using Helvetia awards must send the names and addresses of the winners to the Helvetia awards chairman for forwarding to the membership chairman and to the editor of Helvetia's journal *Tell*.

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