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USSS Statue of Freedom Award

Criteria for Awarding this Medal

The United States Stamp Society's Statue of Freedom Award is made available to each American Philatelic Society World Series of Philately Exhibition. **The award should go to the best U.S. exhibit of postage stamps, revenue stamps and/or stamped paper of the United States and its administered areas as further defined below.** The exhibit must win a minimum of a show Vermeil Medal.

The following are eligible:

- Exhibits of the following types of material of the U.S. , administered areas or possessions:

Postage and special postal service stamps

Local and Carrier stamps

Revenue stamps

Revenue stamped paper

Postal stationery

- Exhibits of the following classes, divisions or types when a U.S. area is the focus:

Traditional

Postal History

Postal Stationery

Aerophilately

Astrophilately

Special Studies

Revenue

Display Class

Marcophily

First Day Covers

Illustrated Mail exhibits that include a focus on the postal emissions such as the postage stamps, stationery, etc.

The following are not eligible:

- **Single frame exhibits.** The USSS believes that multi-frame exhibits require more time and energy and, as such, better meet the objectives of the USSS.
- Exhibits of **Stampless material.** The USSS has a primary focus on the study of adhesives.
- **Cinderella material,** specifically seals, labels, trading stamps, propaganda, etiquettes and similar material. The USSS's primary focus is the study of material issued or used by U.S. government agencies, departments or possessions, and this restriction supports that purpose.
- **Illustrated mail exhibits where** there is no focus on the postal emissions such as the postage stamps, stationery, etc.
- **Confederate material,** again because these stamps were not issued by the U.S. government.
- **VIRTUAL EXHIBITS – only exhibits at the show, in the frames are eligible.**