



The Philatelic Traders' Society Celebrates The Return of Stampex International

London, October 2021: After two years, the Philatelic Traders' Society was delighted to welcome philatelic enthusiasts back to the Business Design Centre on 29th September for Stampex International. The show format included many new concepts giving visitors a chance to experience the very best in philately in lots of different ways.

Suzanne Rae, Chairman, the PTS comments

'With Covid and Brexit (and a fuel crisis!) providing their own challenges, we wanted to ensure our visitors and exhibitors had the best possible experience. One of the ways we achieved this was by creating an integrated and exciting philatelic experience with new social and digital areas and activities to keep collectors engaged and coming back to the show for more. We also added online elements including the Stampex Online Shop and the Stampex Pass available throughout October to help those who could not travel to London this time to visit the show and connect with our exhibitors and the overall show experience. Together with our sponsor, Spink, our PTS Members and partners, the show truly championed our brand mission - to be bold, innovative, and international and community led. We look forward to continuing to bring new and exciting philatelic concepts to Stampex and hope to see even more of you there at our next show at the Business Design Centre from the 28th September to the 1st October, 2022.'

Stampex International Autumn 2021 the show lowdown: what was new, what we updated and more:

The Spink Auditorium

- The Auditorium allowed us to listen and learn. We welcomed guest speakers from The British Library, The Postal Museum and more. We also hosted 'Learn How to Become An Auctioneer' that was lead by Gregory Edmunds from Spink and the kids Auction, both of which took place on Saturday.

The Delcampe Digital Zone

- Bringing the digital alive! Our Digital Zone was proudly sponsored by Delcampe and celebrated everything digital from our favourite influencers, to YouTube videos and How to guides specifically created for the show. We also had a giant shopping wall, created in partnership with Delcampe, which allowed people to shop directly from the panel to PTS Member's online stores.

Bill Barrell Collectors Lounge

- A place for collectors to meet and greet and connect. This was a real hub for people to sit down and review material, meet society friends and to find out more from leading experts who held sessions in the lounge.

The Exhibitions on the Village Green

- Boosting 200 frames, the Village Green was home to the ABPS National competitive exhibitions with the lead society being the British Thematic Association.

Stampex Online Shop

- Including over 100 items from stand holders at the show and PTS Members, Zeboose, Martello Auctions, Martin Townsend and Empire Philatelists, collectors can view specially selected items and shop online throughout October.

As always Stampex International champions the very best of philately with world class stand holders showcasing items and answering questions from collectors.

Brian Bayford, founder of BB Stamps comments

"All the dealers and exhibitors really took a leap of faith by attending the show and it shows their commitment and passion to the hobby. It was exciting to see so many people come together. We knew with Brexit and Covid that the show was going to be different but we had the same number of staff behind the stand as we had at previous years and the feedback from collectors / visitors was excellent. We were happy to serve new collectors as well as welcome back old faces. For us the show was a great success and we are thrilled we took part and enjoyed a busy 4 days of philately"

Don't forget the Stampex Pass is available to buy for £5.00 online at Stampexinternational.com. This will allow you access to the talks, which were held, within the Spink Auditorium. The pass is live until 31st October 2021.

The next Stampex International is 28th September 2022 – 1st October 2022. More information can be found online at www.stampexinternational.com

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