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Illustrated by British artist Sofie Birkin. Stamp Specifications: 50 mm x 30 mm, International Security Printers, Lithography, perforations 14 x 14, gum PVA Royal Mail releases Pride stamps to commemorate the first 50 years of Pride in the United Kingdome July 1, 2022.



Pride Collector's Sheet of all eight stamps from the stamp set presented alongside stickers celebrating different flags of the Pride community; Lesbian Pride, Transgender Pride, Bisexual Pride, Pansexual Pride, Non-binary Pride, Intersex Pride, Asexual Pride and Intersex Progress Pride.

Royal Mail also has a "Pride Presentation Pack" in which author and journalist Amelia Abraham recounts the story of Pride in the UK across 50 years. The stamps release celebrate the first UK "Gay Pride Rally" in July 1972, a march from Trafalgar Square to Hyde Park in London which was inspired by the first Pride events in New York.

The 2022 Pride in London Parade takes place on Saturday, 2 July. This year's campaign slogan is #AllOurPride, recognizing and embracing the many intersecting ways that they celebrate Pride, and commemorating 50 Years since the first march took place in the UK back in 1972.

Stamps and other collectables available at Royal Mail | Shop

Share your memories of Pride to be published in the next issue at glhstamps2@gmail.com



The *Gay and Lesbian History on Stamps Journal* is published quarterly by Gay and Lesbian on Stamps (GLHS). GLHS is an affiliate of the American Philatelic Society (APS), Number 205, and

a study unit of the American Topical Association (ATA), Number 458.

The **objectives** of GLHS are to promote an interest in the collection, study and dissemination of knowledge of worldwide philatelic material that depicts:

- Notable men and women and their contributions to society for whom historical evidence exists of homosexual or bisexual orientation,
- Mythology, historical events and ideas significant in the history of gay culture,
- Flora and fauna scientifically proven as having prominent homosexual behavior, and
- Even though emphasis is placed on the above aspects of stamp collecting, GLHS strongly encourages other philatelic endeavors.

PUBLICATION SCHEDULE:

<u>Publication Date</u>	Submissions due
October 2022	September 15
January 2023	December 15
April 2023	March 15
July 2023	June 15

Members may submit advertisements for free.

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MEMBERSHIP:

Membership fees at this time are \$10 a year to assist with maintenance fees including the website, photocopies of brochures, advertising, and other administrative expenses.

Payment by check or money order, payable to the organization, GLHS, mailed to 1020 E. Hemlock St, Kent WA 98030-6241 or by PayPal to glhstamps2@gmail.com.

Membership Report

Our current membership consists of **73** members. 43 are also members of the American Philatelic Society (APS) & 31 members of the American Topical Association (ATA).

When you join the APS and/or ATA notify GLHS

New Members

Seper N., Albany, CA Keith H., Toronto, ON Ronald C., Sherbrook, QC Derek F., Mississauga, ON

Additional volunteers are needed

- Social Media Committee to explore options for group open and/or closed online communications/meetings such as Google, Instagram, twitter, blogs, go-to meeting, HipChat, etc.
- GLHS 40 Year Anniversary Committee
- GLHS Journal Editor
- GLHS Journal Columnists
- Index GLHS journal articles since 2018
- Give presentations in person or virtually
- Coordinate GLHS Socials
- Maintain membership
- Advertising Committee
- Submit articles, journeys, cover/postal history write ups, travels and philatelic events

GLHS 40th Anniversary Party @ The Great American Stamp Show August 2022



2022 marks the 40th Anniversary of Gay and Lesbian History on Stamps. GLHS will be celebrating at The Great American Stamp Show (GASS) in August 2022.

The United States Postal Service will host a first day of issue ceremony on Thursday August 25th at 11:00 AM for the "Pony Cars" stamps.

For the show, the USPS is working with the California Automobile Museum with hopes of displaying a few pony cars on the show floor.

GLHS will be meeting at the show on Thursday August 25th at 1:00 PM. Join us for our 40th Birthday Party!

The ATA booth will have an Old West Gold Rush theme with fun & games. Be sure to wear your cowboy hat.



GLHS will be a sponsor for the ATA Study Unit booth. We will have copies of the journal and membership forms available. By sharing a booth with all the study units, we will not have to ensure our members cover the booth at all times throughout the show. If attending, please check it out, hang out there for awhile and recruit new members.

Be sure to check the show website frequently for updates at https://stamps.org/great-american-stamp-show

GASS Future Dates/Locations

Aug. 25-28, 2022 - Sacramento, CA Aug. 10-13, 2023 - Cleveland, OH Aug. 15-18, 2024 - Hartford, CT



The first International One-Frame Stamp Championship Exhibition occurred in Toronto, Ontario, Canada from June 9-12, 2022.



President of the Exhibition Jury Charles Verge and Master of Ceremonies at the CAPEX 22 Opening Ceremonies.

Photo courtesy Carlos Vergara CAPEX 22 official photographer



Interestingly, in an international competition, one frame exhibits do not earn ribbons, or medals. CAPEX did provide each

exhibitor, one CAPEX medallion in a red velvet box.

There were over 26 Societies in attendance, including Dawn and John Hamman representing the American Topical Association.





The literature exhibition was in the Greene room, which show-

cased items and information from CAPEX 1951, 1978, 1987 & 1996.



The GLHS Website earned a Large Silver with 76 points. [30 points for

Treatment/Importance, 29 points for Knowledge/ Research, 12 for Condition/Rarity, and 5 for Presentation.]

The Gay and Lesbian History on Stamps Journal earned a Silver with 72 points. [27 points for Treatment/Importance, 28 points for Knowledge/Research, 12 for Condition/Rarity, and 5 for Presentation.]



North Toronto Stamp Club Resumes In-Person Presentations With "Crossdressing and Drag: You Wouldn't Believe Who's Done It!"

North Toronto Stamp Club resumed in-person



meetings on March 24, 2022, with members returning to chat to each other and look through the circuit books. That meeting did not have the customary presentation. The first in-person presentation since February 2020 oc-

curred at the next meeting, on April 14, 2022. The subject was "Crossdressing and Drag: You Wouldn't Believe Who's Done It!" by Derwin Mak. Derwin showed stamps and covers related to persons who have crossdressed or performed in drag for various reasons, ranging from military deception to comedy. He also discussed philatelic items related to the protests for LGBTQ+rights, including the riots at Gene Compton's Cafeteria and the Stonewall Inn.

Notable crossdressers depicted on stamps include Mulan, Joan of Arc, Russian Empresses Elizabeth and Catherine the Great, future Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak, Irish actor Jimmy O'Dea, Australian actor Barry Humphries (Dame Edna Everage), and New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani. Derwin got the idea to develop a thematic collection and exhibit about crossdressing and drag after the U.S. issued its Bugs Bunny stamps in 2020; two of the stamps depicted Bugs Bunny in drag.

To commemorate the North Toronto Stamp Club's resumption of in-person presentations, Derwin created a postcard with a 1-cent Canadian definitive stamp and cancelled with a private postmark (see photo). The cards were handed out at the meeting. He has about 30 left and is willing to send them to people in exchange for a self-addressed stamped envelope with Canadian stamps or for a self-addressed envelope plus two unused U.S. domestic Forever stamps or one U.S. Forever international stamp. His email address is dmak0525@rogers.com.

Upcoming in Person GLHS Meeting

Thursday 1:00 PM August 25, 2022 @

The Great American Stamp Show

Sacramento, California

GLHS Zoom Meeting

December 13, 2022 4:30 pm PT/7:30 pm ET

"Crossdressing and Drag: You Wouldn't Believe Who's Done It!"



Previous presentations can be watched on the Gay and Lesbian History on Stamps YouTube channel.

GLHS Meeting @ CAPEX*22

There were 15 attendees at the June 10th meeting. Lisa gave a brief presentation introducing GLHS, its purpose, membership benefits and examples of LGBTQ history depicted on philatelic material.

Each attendee received a commemorative cover designed by Laurie and postmarked with a show cancel.



Attendees then introduced themselves and shared their philatelic interests and how they came to attend the meeting. Three of the attendees joined on the spot and others indicated they intended to join.

Also in attendance was a reporter from Canadian Stamp News who stated they were going to cover GLHS in an upcoming issue.

Letters Received....

With his GLHS membership and generous donation, member Philip E. wrote, "Being a student of gay and lesbian history and an ardent stamp collector this is a wonderful



association. Here in Western New York State I have been to a couple of local shows, and it has been so good to see people face to face. All the best for 2022."



Breaking the Ice

Member Introductions

I am Ron Coughlin, a gay man who is married to my partner for 39 years. We live in Sherbrooke Quebec, Canada, 2 hours east of Montreal. I am a retired minister with



the United Church of Canada. I have been an active stamp collector most of my life, except for some years when school and work was overwhelming. I collect Canada and the Provinces (Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, PEI, British Columbia). I collect mint, used and inscription blocks. Through stamps I have learned a lot about the history, geography and social studies of my country. There is always lots more to explore.



I did not know about GLHS until I saw the notice in the CAPEX 22 booklet. So, I was intrigued by the group and decided to join it and learn about the group and about GLBT2SQ+ stamps. I hope to be an active member and help

out where I can. Thank you.

"Always be a first-rate version of yourself, instead of a second-rate version of somebody else."

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- Judy Garland

US 1990 Classic Films Scott #2445

Reactivated!

On June 13, 2022 the American First Day Cover Society reactivated Gay and Lesbian History on Stamps as an AFDCS Chapter #72.



Reviewing past issues of the Lambda Philatelic Journal (Vol. 11, No. 2), it appears that GLHSC was originally accepted as an AFDCS chapter in the Spring of 1992.

The AFDCS is a volunteer non-profit and non-commercial organization serving the needs of First Day Cover collectors, cachetmakers, and dealers. Founded in 1955, the society has a membership of over 1,100 active first day cover collectors, including many who design and manufacture their own cacheted FDCs.

The AFDCS has over 30 active chapters. Some are groups of FDC specialists, featuring lively newsletters on their specialty. Other AFDCS Chapters are regional affiliates, giving AFDCS members opportunities to meet other local FDC collectors at regular meeting times.

To learn more visit Welcome to the American First Day Cover Society (afdes.org)

FEEL 100%



Although this stamp is based on a comic book character in a heterosexual love story, it resembles gay poster art.

It was issued by Hong Kong Post on September 16, 2021, in a set of six stamps, depicting artwork and characters from a popular Hong Kong comic book series,

"Feel 100%".

The comic book series created by Hong Kong comic artist Lau Wan-kit ran from 1992 to 2007. In 2008, the comic won the gold award at the second International Manga Award organized by Japan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs.



GLHS member Brandon Nugent went on a trip to Victoria, Australia earlier this year and discovered that our topic of interest can pop up just about anywhere.

I attended the Midsumma Carnival in Melbourne on January 23, 2022 along with my husband and several friends. The annual queer-day-out is the



highlight of the opening weekend of the Midsumma Festival, a three-week celebration of LGBTQIA+ art, culture, and community. Australia Post continued its tradition of presence at the carnival, this year with a drag queen whose exquisite frock was made entirely from Australia Post mailing satchels!

On the same trip, my husband and I took a drive along the Great Ocean Road, overnighting in the small town of Apollo Bay (pop: 1,600). We stumbled upon the Apollo Bay Distillery, located in a building that was originally constructed in 1970 to serve as the town post office. Celebrating the heritage of both the region and the building, the distillery features a huge image of one of a set of two 1936 stamps issued to commemorate the beginning of telephone communication between the Australian mainland and the state of Tasmania, made possible when an underwater cable was laid from Apollo Bay on the mainland to Stanley in Tasmania via King Island in the Bass Strait. Apollo Bay is named after a ship that sheltered from a storm in the bay in 1845. The ship, of course, was named after the Greek god Apollo, associated with at least a dozen male lovers.

GLHS member Brandon Nugent is a Foreign Service Officer currently assigned to the U.S.

Consulate General in Sydney, Australia where he lives with his husband, Mark, and their diplocat, Sheldon.



Toronto's First Post Office



Now a Historic Site, Monument, Museum and active post office it is a must see for philatelists visiting Toronto.



According to the plaque outside the York Post Office building, "Originally all post offices in Upper Canada were owned by the postmasters in charge, who were imperial appointments. This building was constructed for postmaster James Scott Howard during 1833-1835 and functioned as the town's post office until Howard's dismissal in 1837. A typical example of a small public building at the time, combining public offices with a private residence, it survives as a rare example of an early Canadian post office. In 1876, it was incorporated into the present block of buildings. The mansard roof is a later addition."



A staff of six kept the post office in operation. It was the busiest Post Office in Upper Canada, serving a population of over 9,000. Hours were from 8am to 7pm Monday to Saturday,

and 9am to 10 am on Sunday. People were notified in the newspaper that mail had been received for them.

Postage was written by hand directly onto the letters prior to the development of the modern stamp, and red ink was used to cancel the payment notation.





For more information or to explore the museum on a virtual tour

visit Town of York Historical Society | Toronto's First Post Office and the Town of York Historical Society.



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Can We Keep It?

By Carol Costa

In late June, 2022, in what will be a landmark decision in Dobbs v Jackson Women's Health Organization, the Supreme Court is set to overturn Roe v Wade. This despite the fact that 59% of the population support a women's right to choose whether to continue a pregnancy, a right ensured in the 1973 Roe v Wade decision (Pew Research Center, April 2021).

The Roe v Wade decision was reaffirmed by the Supreme Court in 1992 in Planned Parenthood v Casey. So much for *stare decisis*, the legal doctrine that binds courts to follow legal precedent set by previous decisions when making rulings on similar cases. The last three appointees to the Supreme Court, all of whom assured the Senate in their confirmation hearings that they honored this doctrine, nevertheless have indicated that they will rule in favor of Dobbs, overturning Roe v Wade.

So why is this important to the LGBTQ community, and why is this discussion even appearing in this journal? On June 26, 2015, the Supreme Court, in its landmark decision in Obergefell v Hodges, made same-sex marriage legal in all 50 states. Same-sex marriage is supported by 70% of Americans, and the number has been rising since 2015. (Gallup Annual Values and Beliefs Poll, May 3-18, 2021). However, the current political climate is rapidly moving to give the ultra-conservative minority element of our country control over the majority. It is not a far stretch to anticipate that we, the LBGTQ community, are next in their sites.

What can we do about this? I asked myself this question, and came up with a few answers. I can support financially the politicians who represent the thinking of the majority of Americans – I do what I can. I can call my congressmen – I have their numbers in speed-dial and think their staffs probably know me by name. I can march and picket – actually, I often participated in these events in my youth but I'm a little too old for this now.

But I felt I could do something through my hobby of philately. Following is a six page non-competitive exhibit I prepared for the purpose of waking up Americans who may not be aware of the direction our democracy is heading. The exhibit is not meant to be political. Politics are, by their very nature, bipartisan. I believe the right to vote is something every American believes in (and, unfortunately, often takes for granted.)

This exhibit has been shown both virtually and "in person" at several stamp shows. If anyone would like a copy for posting, or knows of shows looking for non-competitive exhibits, contact me at the email listed below. More importantly, take the message to heart and share it with everyone you know.

Carol Costa, lyncar8@earthlink.net

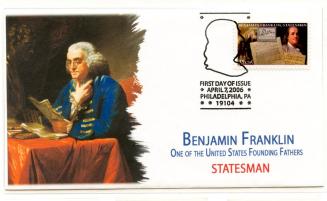
Addendum: The final ruling in this case is set for late June, but I wanted to submit this in time for the July issue of our journal. If by some miracle the Supreme Court does not rule in favor of Dobbs, the message of the exhibit is still relevant, as many Americans will find out the hard way that they cannot vote. Also, the cartoon image on page 4 is copyrighted but I paid for the license to use it.

Can We Keep It?



On the final day of the Constitutional Convention in 1787, Americans gathered on the steps of Independence Hall to await the news of the government our founders had crafted. Benjamin Franklin was asked, "What do we have, a republic or a monarchy?" Franklin replied, "A republic, if you can keep it."







We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union...

Preamble, U.S. Constitution USA 22





Do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America. Preamble, U.S. Constitution USA 22



A country of Laws . . . Justice . . . And Freedom . . .

Since 1776, so many have fought...

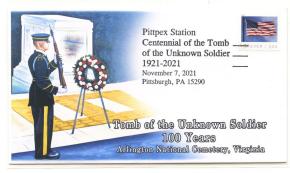


So many have suffered . . .

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So many have died . . .





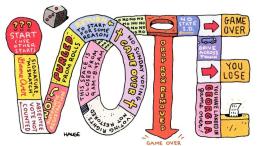
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But ...

In 2021, legislators in 49 states drafted more than 440 restrictive voting bills. 19 states passed 34 laws restricting access to voting. (Brennan Center for Justice, report issued on 12(21/21)



The momentum around this legislation continues. Over 150 restrictive bills have carried over into 2022.

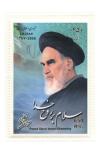


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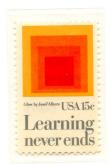
This is where we are going . . .







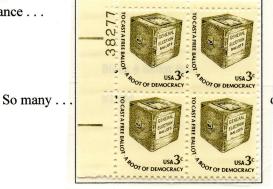
Because ...



So many choose ignorance . . .

So many are gullible . . .





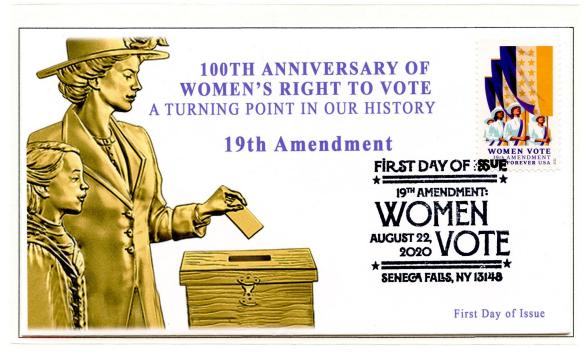
30 PICTORIAL POSTCARDS

So many don't care . . .

don't vote . . .

Our republic is founded on the principle that it will continue only as long as the people keep democracy alive.

Can we keep it?



Dame Edna Everage



Comedian Barry Humphries co-founded the Melbourne comedy festival in 1987. Organizers named the show's top award

in his honor in 2000.



Humphries is most famous for playing drag character Dame Edna Everage, a household name in Australia. Humphries earned honors awarding Edna Everage her 'Dame' status, with a bronze statue in her honor being unveiled in Melbourne in 2009

In 2019 Humphries name was stripped from the festival's top award following transphobic comments he made. Humphries said that being transgender is "a fashion - how many kinds of lavatory can you have? And it's pretty evil when it's preached to children by crazy teachers." He had previously been criticized for calling trans women "mutilated men" and for attacking Catilyn Jenner for being a "self-mutilated publicityseeking ratbag."

The Melbourne International Comedy Festival in a move towards gender diversity and neutrality made the announcement on 16 April 2019 before nominees for the award, including trans comedian Cassie Workman were released.



The British Thematic Association held a onepage virtual competition in 2022 and received 108 entries from eleven different countries.

The **Best in Show** award to a Non-BTA Member went to...

Yme Woensdregt, for the exhibit, "Down the Rabbit Hole with Lady Liberty".

Exhibits can be viewed at BTA One Page Virtual Competition 2022 - Displaying Thematic Collections - British Thematic Association



Toronto Pride



The CN Tower, once the tallest freestanding structure in the world is the center for telecommunications and a landmark tourist destination in Toronto.



The CAPEX cancel commemorating the CN Tower was only available on June 10.



Despite the clouds, the view was beautiful with rainbows in the forefront.



Pride flags were visible throughout downtown Toronto.





Even the Aquarium was sporting colors.





Lisa F. & Laurie

GLHSC ARCHIVES

From the Lambda Philatelic Journal, Vol 1, Number 1, Summer 1982, Page 4

Gay And Lesbian History on Stamps Gay Community News, January 17, 1981

22 Brownlieks St. Beston, MA 02108

By Louis Paul Hennefeld

The world's largest hobby is stamp collecting. Even if one is not a philatelist, we cannot get away from the fact that we all have to buy and use

those little pieces of paper.

While reading from Jonathan Katz's book. Gay American History (Avon Books), I noticed that many of the persons mentioned in his book are on U.S. stamps. It was at this point that I began to collect stamps which had a gay theme. As my guide in this stamp collecting expedition, I used the following books to pinpoint my research of gay persons who might be portrayed on stamps: Gay American History, The Book of Lists by Irving Wallace (Bantam Books), Gay Source by Dennis Sanders (Coward, McCann, Geoghegan Books), Jonathan to Gide by Noel Garde (Nos Books), and Hidden Heritage by Byrne Fone (Irvington Books). From reading these books and through my knowledge of stamps, I discovered that there are a great many gay and bisexual persons honored on stamps by countries who refuse to grant human rights to gay people.

Greek Myths

One of the most beautiful mythical stories of love between two men is the story of Apollo's love for Hyacinthus. Both men can be found on

stamps, as can the hyacinth flower.

In the story, Apollo accidentally kills Hyacinthus. Apollo then memorializes him with a hyacinth which grows from the blood of Hyacinthus. In the spirit of this story, the gay community should proclaim the hyacinth as its official gay flower.

The well-known comrades and lovers Achilles and Patroclus from

ancient Greece are also shown on a Greek stamp

Religion

Some notable religious figures on stamps may have been gay. Jesus and John the Beloved Disciple, whether gay or not, did have a strong same-sex telationship. It has been thought by some that Judas betrayed Jesus because he was jealous of Jesus's love for him. He believed John was receiving too much of Jesus's attention. It must be remembered that Jesus never preached against homosexuality, and that he preferred to be in the company of men. Jesus and John can be found on many stamps.

Vatican City, the core of anti-gay sentiments, surprised me by portraying not only many gay artists but also three of the many gay Popes on their stamps. Emperor Maximilian wrote, in a letter sent to Henry VIII in 1510, ored on U.S.S.R. Collings. Russia, as "that two French boys recently sent to Rome by Queen Anne of France we all know, is a country done nonehad fallen victim to the homosexual lust of Pope Julius II. A Council met sexuality "does not exist." in November of 1511 and decreed of Pope Julius II, 'this sodomite, covered with shameful ulcers, who infected the Church with his corruption'." Julius II can be found on one of the earlier Vatican City stamps.

Pope Sextus IV (1471-1484) was depicted on a set of three stamps in 1975. A story about the Pope indicates that "while Sextus IV was Pope, certain Cardinals presented a petition for permission to practice sodomy during the warm season. The petition was said to have been taken under

favorable consideration,"

Pope John XII (955-963) (on a French stamp) became Pope at age 17. He turned the Papai palace into the scene of gala homosexual orgies. John died at the early age of 26.

Giovanni Cardinal del Monte, who was elected Pope Julius III in 1550 was said to have been the most blatant of all the homosexual popes. While still a cardinal, he was known to engage in orgics involving sodomy with other men. While pope, he raised many trenage boys to the rank of cardinal. He adopted his beloved boyfriend, Innocente, and promoted him to his bed. Julius gave Innocente, who remained constantly at the pope's side, the rank of cardinal.

St. Augustine, when a youth, had a passionate attachment to another man. The sudden death of this man left him endlessly weeping and broken-hearted. A similar incident happened to Cardinal Newman (20th Century religious figure). When his beloved friend and companion Ambrose St. John died, Newman in a grief-stricken state threw himself on the bed with the corpse and remained with it all night. During Newman's lifetime, he would break into tears whenever the name of his beloved friend was mentioned. Newman can be found on two Irish stamps. Augustine can be found on stamps of Algeria, Columbia and the Varican City.

CONTINUED IN THE NEXT ISSUE

Our next issue will contain an article about 'The selle of Amherav'

Future 'Gays on Stamps' features will be about the son of Mary, Queen of Scots, the Empire Builder of Africa and one of France's great poets.

Readers of 'The Advocate' (Issue 339) will be able to find at least three Gay Russians who have been hon-

BE ON THE LOOKOUT ----

An article about the Study Unit will appear in the August issue of "MANDATE" on the stands in July.



ישראל הקהילה האה On 28 June 2022, **Israel** released a stamp celebrating the **LGBTQ Community**.

On 17 June 2022, Norway



released a stamp commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Decriminalization of Homosexuality, commemorating Queer Culture Year, and celebrating Love Is Love.

On 14 June 2022, Australia released a Stamp Pack of twelve stamps commemorating 20 Years of Harry Potter Films, including one stamp featuring **Albus Dumbledore**.

On 9 June 2022, Russia released a souvenir sheet commemorating the 350th Anniversary of the Birth of **Peter the Great**.

On 9 June 2022, Serbia released two stamps commemorating the 350th Anniversary of the Birth of **Peter the Great**.

On 1 June 2022, Jersey released a stamp commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the Accession of Queen Elizabeth II, featuring her in a dress designed by **Norman Hartnell**.

On 22 May 2022, Bosnia & Herzegovina (Croat/Mostar) released a souvenir sheet celebrating Myths and Flora: The Goddess Morana and the Cypress, featuring a cypress tree (Cyparissus) in the selvage.



On 9 May 2022, Australia released a Postal Numismatic Cover celebrating 110 Years of Melbourne's Luna Park.

featuring the park's Mr. Moon opening gate, designed by **Leigh Hobbs**, on the envelope.

On 9 May 2022, Monaco released a stamp commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Birth of **Sergei Diaghilev**.

On 6 May 2022, Albania released four stamps commemorating Ancient Coins, including one stamp featuring the obelisk of **Apollo** (and the bust of either Apollo or Artemis (Diana)).

In April 2022, Australia released a Souvenir Stamp Sheet commemorating the 2022 AFLW Grand Final Champion Adelaide Crows, featuring Ailish Considine, Anne Hatchard, Erin Phillips, Marijana Rajcic, Chelsea Randall, and Stevie-Lee Thompson in the selvage.

Ailish Considine (born 1992) was born in Ireland, studied Exercise and Fitness Science at the University of Limerick, and played Gaelic football and camogie for



County Clare before being drafted by the AFLW Adelaide Football Club. She is openly lesbian.

Anne Hatchard (born 1998) was selected by the AFLW Adelaide Football Club in the 2016 draft and helped the team win Grand Finals in 2017, 2019, and 2022.

Marijana Rajcic (born 1989) played soccer before beginning her career as an Australian-rules footballer with the 2017 draft, selected by Adelaide Football Club. In 2020, Marijana and Chelsea Randall competed on *The Amazing Race Australia* 5, revealing in post-show interviews that they had started dating prior to filming.

Chelsea Randall (born 1991) was one of the AFLW Adelaide Football Club's inaugural team co-captains. She led the team to AFLW championship in 2017, 2019, and 2022. In 2020, Chelsea and Marijana Rajcic competed on *The Amazing Race Australia* 5, revealing in post-show interviews that they had started dating prior to filming.

Stevie-Lee Thompson (born 1992) was born in Brisbane and was raised in Hawke's Bay, New Zealand. She played Australian-rules football in Darwin before she was drafted by Adelaide in 2016. She helped the team win Grand Finals in 2017, 2019, and 2022. Stevie-Lee lives with her partner, Karlee. (Continued on page 13)

On 28 April 2022, Isle of Man released ten stamps and a booklet commemorating the Centenary of the Manx Museum, including two stamps featuring a dress designed by **Norman Hartnell**.

On 25 April 2022, Gibraltar released a souvenir sheet commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the Accession of Queen Elizabeth II, featuring her in the coronation dress designed by **Norman Hartnell**.

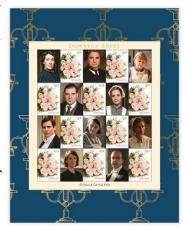
On 24 April 2022, the United Nations (New York, Geneva, Vienna) issued six stamps and three souvenir sheets celebrating Human Achievements on Mars, designed by **Sergio Baradat**.



On 19 April 2022, Australia released a Stamp Pack celebrating Downton Abbey, including one label featuring Thomas Barrow. He was a fictional character, portrayed

by Robert James-Collier, created by Julian Fellowes for the television series, *Downton Abbey*.

He worked as junior footman, first footman, head valet, under -butler, and butler. Many of the series' episodes and the subsequent feature films depicted Thomas' struggles with his homosexuality in the repressive atmosphere of British aristocratic life between 1912 and 1928.



On 14 April 2022, Ascension Island released a souvenir sheet commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the Accession of Queen Elizabeth II, featuring her in a dress designed by **Norman Hartnell**.

On 7 April 2022, Turkey released two definitive stamps featuring **Mustafa Kemal Atatürk**.

On 5 April 2022, Australia released two stamps commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the Accession of Queen Elizabeth II, including one stamp featuring her in a dress designed by **Norman Hartnell**.

On 4 April 2022, Tuvalu released a miniature sheet commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the

Death of Diana, Princess of Wales, including one stamp featuring her in a suit designed by **Hardy Amies**.

On 31 March 2022, Ireland released eight stamps of the Tenth Definitive Stamp Series: Art on a Stamp, including one stamp featuring work by **Patrick Scott** and one stamp featuring work by

Philip Treacy (born 1967). He started sewing at age five and studied fashion at the National College of Art and Design in



Dublin. He graduated from the Royal College of Art in London with first class honors. In 1991, he got his big break when Karl Lagerfeld asked him to come to Chanel. The next year he opened his first showroom and won the first of five British Accessory Designer of the Year awards. In 1993, he held his first solo show. In 2000, he was the first milliner in 80 years to be asked to exhibit at the Paris shows. In July 2002, the Design Museum in London hosted an exhibition of his 30 mosticonic hats that was so successful, it toured the world for several years. In 2017, Philip married his partner of over 21 years, Stefan Bartlett, in Las Vegas, Nevada.

On 31 March 2022, Russia released a stamp commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Birth of **Sergei Diaghilev**.

On 30 March 2022, Croatia released a stamp celebrating Easter, featuring **John the Apostle**.

On 25 March 2022, Sierra Leone released a miniature sheet commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the Accession of Queen Elizabeth II, including one stamp featuring her in the coronation dress designed by **Norman Hartnell**.

On 25 March 2022, Sierra Leone released a souvenir sheet commemorating the 40th Anniversary of the Birth of Prince William, Duke of Cambridge, with part of the selvage design based on a photograph by **Antony Armstrong-Jones**.

On 25 March 2022, Sierra Leone released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 165th Anniversary of the Birth of **Robert Baden-Powell**.

On 25 March 2022, Sierra Leone released a souvenir sheet commemorating the 60th Anniversary of the Death of Marilyn Monroe, featuring her in a

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poster for the film, *The Asphalt Jungle*, with hair design by **Sydney Guilaroff**.

On 25 March 2022, Sierra Leone released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 40th Anniversary of the Death of Grace Kelly, including one stamp and one souvenir sheet selvage featuring her in a costume designed by **Edith Head** from the film, *Rear Window*.

On 25 March 2022, Sierra Leone released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 90th Anniversary of the Birth of Elizabeth Taylor, including one stamp featuring her in the film, *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof*, based on the play by **Tennessee Williams** with hair design by **Sydney Guilaroff**, one stamp featuring her in the film, *Cleopatra*, with costume design by **Irene Sharaff**, and one souvenir sheet featuring her in the film, *Suddenly, Last Summer*, co-written by **Tennessee Williams**.





Irene Sharaff (1910-1993) was born in Boston and studied at the New York School of Fine and Applied Arts, the Art Students League of New

York, and the Académie de la Grande Chaumière in Paris. She made her Broadway costume design debut in 1931 with *Alice in Wonderland*, starring Eva La Gallienne. She was nominated for six Tony Awards, winning for *The King and I*, and she was nominated for 16 Oscar Awards, winning for *An American in Paris*, *The King and I*, *West Side Story*, *Cleopatra*, and *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?* Irene's partner was painter and writer Mai-Mai Sze.

On 24 March 2022, Ireland released four stamps commemorating Irish Oscar Winners, including one stamp featuring Neil Jordan, writer and director of *The Crying Game*, a film about a Provisional IRA volunteer who falls in love with a transgender woman.

On 24 March 2022, South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands released a souvenir sheet commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the Accession of Queen Elizabeth II, with a design based on a photograph by **Cecil Beaton** featuring her in a dress designed by **Hardy Amies**.

On 24 March 2022, Tristan da Cunha released a souvenir sheet commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the Accession of Queen Elizabeth II, with a design based on a photograph by Cecil Beaton.

On 23 March 2022, Cyprus released a stamp commemorating the 60th Anniversary of the Limassol Chamber of Commerce and Industry, featuring **Hermes (Mercury)**.

On 22 March 2022, Romania released two stamps and a souvenir sheet celebrating Easter, including one stamp featuring **John the Apostle**.

On 17 March 2022, Monaco released a stamp celebrating Nude in Art, featuring **Zeus (Jupiter)** transformed into a bull.

On 15 March 2022, Australia released a Stamp Pack of twelve stamps commemorating the 75th Anniversary of the Birth of **David Bowie**.

On 14 March 2022, Grenada released a miniature sheet commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the Death of Diana, Princess of Wales, including one stamp featuring her in a suit designed by **Hardy Amies**.

On 10 February 2022, Central African Republic released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the Accession of Queen Elizabeth II, including the souvenir sheet featuring her in a dress designed by **Norman Hartnell** and one label and the souvenir sheet selvage featuring her in the coronation dress designed by **Norman Hartnell** in a photograph by **Cecil Beaton**.

On 10 February 2022, Central African Republic released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 165th Anniversary of the Birth of **Robert Baden-Powell**.

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released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 90th Anniversary of the Birth of Elizabeth Taylor, including one stamp and one label featuring her in a costume designed by **Walter Plunkett** from the film, *Raintree County*.

On 10 February 2022, Central African Republic released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 115th Anniversary of the Birth of **Frida Kahlo**.

On 31 January 2022, Togo released a miniature sheet commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the Death of Diana, Princess of Wales, including one stamp featuring Queen Elizabeth II in a dress designed by **Norman Hartnell**.

On 31 January 2022, Togo released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 60th Anniversary of the Death of Marilyn Monroe, including one stamp featuring a poster for the film, *How to Marry a Millionaire*, partly based on a play by **Zoe Akins**, one stamp featuring a poster for the film, *The Prince and the Showgirl*, produced by and starring **Laurence Olivier** and written by **Terence Rattigan**, and one souvenir sheet featuring dresses designed by **Orry-Kelly** for the film, *Some Like It Hot*.





Sir Terence Rattigan (1911-1997) was born in South Kensington, London, attended Harrow, and graduated from Trinity College, Oxford. His 1936 play, French Without Tears, was a hit.

During the war, he served in the Royal Air Force, and after the war, he wrote several successful plays, including 1948's *The Browning Version* and 1954's *Separate Tables*. Terence kept his

sexuality secret from all but his closest friends. On 31 January 2022, Togo released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 570th Anniversary of the Birth of **Leonardo da Vinci**.

On 25 January 2022, Guinea released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the Accession of Queen Elizabeth II, including one stamp with a design based on a photograph by Cecil Beaton with her in the coronation dress designed by Norman Hartnell, one stamp featuring her in two dresses designed by Norman Hartnell, and the souvenir sheet featuring her in the coronation gown designed by Norman Hartnell.

On 24 January 2022, Djibouti released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 570th Anniversary of the Birth of **Leonardo da Vinci**, including one souvenir sheet featuring **John the Apostle**.

On 24 January 2022, Djibouti released a souvenir sheet commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the Accession of Queen Elizabeth II, with a design based on a photograph by Cecil Beaton featuring her in the coronation dress designed by Norman Hartnell.

On 24 January 2022, Djibouti released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 450th Anniversary of the Birth of **Caravaggio**.

On 15 January 2022, Burundi released a miniature sheet celebrating Pablo Picasso, including four stamps featuring **Gertrude Stein**.

On 15 January 2022, Burundi released six miniature sheets celebrating **Leonardo da Vinci**.

On 15 January 2022, Burundi released six miniature sheets celebrating **Raphael**, including five stamps featuring **Aristotle**.

On 15 January 2022, Burundi released a miniature sheet celebrating Vincent van Gogh, including four stamps featuring cypress trees (**Cyparissus**).

On 15 January 2022, Burundi released a miniature sheet celebrating Peter Paul Rubens, including four stamps featuring **John the Apostle**.

On 15 January 2022, Burundi released a miniature sheet celebrating **Caravaggio**.

On 5 January 2022, Liberia released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 40th Anniversary of the Death of Grace Kelly, including one stamp featuring a poster from the film, *Rear Window*, which was based on a story by **Cornell Woolrich**, a label and one souvenir sheet selvage featuring her in the film, *High Society*, directed by **Charles Walters** with music by **Cole Porter** and hair design by **Sydney Guilaroff**, and the other souvenir sheet featuring a poster from the film, *The Country Girl*, with costume design by **Edith Head**.

On 31 December 2021, Kyrgyz Express Post released four stamps commemorating Birth Anniversaries of Famous People, including one stamp featuring **Albrecht Dürer**.

On 30 December 2021, St. Thomas and Prince Islands released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet celebrating Peter Paul Rubens, including one stamp featuring **Aphrodite (Venus)** and **Eros (Cupid)** and the souvenir sheet featuring **Pan (Faunus)** with **Poseidon (Neptune)** in the souvenir sheet selvage.

On 20 December 2021, Central African Republic released a miniature sheet celebrating Nude Paintings, including one stamp featuring **Aphrodite (Venus)** and **Eros (Cupid)**.

On 20 December 2021, Central African Republic released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 450th Anniversary of the Birth of **Caravaggio**, including one stamp featuring King **David** of Israel.

On 20 December 2021, Chad released a miniature sheet celebrating Nude Paintings, including one stamp featuring the work of **Tamara de Lempicka**.

On 20 December 2021, Djibouti released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet celebrating German Trains, including one label and the souvenir sheet featuring Neuschwanstein Castle, built by King **Ludwig II** of Bavaria.

On 20 December 2021, Guinea-Bissau released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet celebrating German Planes, including one stamp and the souvenir sheet selvage featuring Neuschwanstein Castle, built by King **Ludwig II** of Bavaria.

On 20 December 2021, Guinea-Bissau released two souvenir sheets celebrating Nude Paintings,

featuring work by **Tamara de Lempicka** and **Lucian Freud** in the selvage.

Lucian Freud (1922-2011)was born in Berlin, grandson to Sigmund Freud. 1933, he fled with his family to London to escape Nazism. He studied at Cedric Morris' Anglian East School of Painting and Drawing and had his first solo



exhibition in 1944 at the Lefevre Gallery. He was one of a number of figurative artists given the name of the "School of London" by R. B. Kitaj that included Francis Bacon, Robert Colquhoun, and Robert MacBryde. In the 1940s, Lucian was in a homosexual love triangle with Adrian Ryan and John Minton. He married twice and had, at least, 14 children. He was shortlisted for the Turner Prize in 1989.

On 10 December 2021, Guinea-Bissau released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 550th Anniversary of the Birth of **Albrecht Dürer**.



On 30 November 2021, Central African Republic released four stamps and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 220th Anniversary of the Birth of Vincenzo Bellini.

On 30 November 2021, Central African Republic released four stamps and a souvenir sheet celebrating **Leonardo da Vinci**, including one stamp featuring **Zeus (Jupiter)** transformed into a swan and one stamp featuring work by **Il Sodoma**.

On 30 November 2021, Central African Republic released four stamps commemorating 2021 Nobel Prize Winners, including one stamp featuring **William Shakespeare**.

On 9 August 2021, Djibouti released a miniature sheet commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the Birth of Anatoly Karpov, including one stamp featuring **Salvador Dalí**.