



PROSPECTUS WESTPEX 2017

FIFTY SEVENTH ANNUAL PHILATELIC EXHIBITION

WESTPEX, Inc.

Convening Societies

SCANDINAVIAN COLLECTORS CLUB
INTERNATIONAL PHILIPPINE PHILATELIC SOCIETY
POLONUS POLISH PHILATELIC SOCIETY

San Francisco Airport Marriott Hotel – 1800 Old Bayshore Highway, Burlingame, CA 94010
(One mile south of SFO – free shuttle to and from airport, connecting with BART to downtown SF)

APRIL 28 – 30, 2017

FRIDAY 10:00 AM TO 6:00 PM * SATURDAY 10:00 AM TO 6:00 PM

SUNDAY 10:00 AM TO 4:00 PM

RULES AND REGULATIONS

WESTPEX, Inc. was organized for the express purpose of advancing the cause of Philately through exhibitions and educational programs. WESTPEX is a certified World Series of Philately (WSP) show.

1. **ELIGIBILITY** — WESTPEX is an open show, subject to the rules and regulations in this prospectus. Exhibits must be the *bona fide* property of the exhibitor or an immediate family member, multi-ownership will not be accepted. Any exhibit which has won a Gold Award at WESTPEX in the last five years must show **significant** new write-up and/or new material. An exhibit that has been purchased intact may not be exhibited for two years unless the addition of new material and text has substantially altered the exhibit.

2. **ENTRY** — All exhibits must be classified on the Entry Form (over) according to one of the A.P.S. divisions and be accompanied by the correct fees. WESTPEX reserves the right to reclassify or reject any entry. Because of the demand for exhibit frames, exhibitors should not expect more than one exhibit per exhibitor to be accepted. Acknowledgment of an entry does not signify acceptance for exhibition. *Signing of the Entry Form denotes acceptance of the rules and regulations in this prospectus*

(The following classifications are for the guidance of the Exhibit Team Leader. See above and Rule 9.)

- Division 1 POSTAL
- Division 2 REVENUE
- Division 3 THEMATIC
- Division 4 ILLUSTRATED MAIL
- Division 5 CHARITY/PROMOTION/CINDERELLA
- Division 6 DISPLAY
- Division 7 POST CARDS

3. **FRAMES** — Each frame will hold 16 – 8 1/2" x 11" or A4 size pages or 12 – 10" x 12" pages. Page sizes other than those listed must receive advance approval of the Exhibit Team Leader. There is a minimum of two and a maximum of ten frames. *One-frame exhibits must be subjects related to the Convening Societies.* Youth - a minimum of one frame and a maximum of five. Because frames are usually oversubscribed exhibitors are limited to a multi-frame exhibits and a one-frame exhibit.

4. **FEES** — . Four or more frame exhibits \$15 per frame . **One-, two- and three -frame exhibits have a flat fee of \$50.** Youth is \$1

per frame. Each exhibitor and one guest will receive free admission.

5. **CLOSING DATE** — February 28, 2017, or when frames are subscribed. Exhibitors will be notified of acceptance or declination as soon as possible.

6. **DELIVERY** — All exhibits must be forwarded prepaid. Directions for mail-in exhibits will be sent with acceptances. Personally delivered exhibits will be accepted at the WESTPEX Exhibit Check-In between the hours of 4 PM and 6:30 PM, Thursday, April 27.

7. **RETURN** — No exhibit may be removed until released by the Exhibit Team Leader. Exhibits may not be dismantled on Sunday until all visitors have cleared the exhibit rooms. The dismantling will begin at 4:30 PM. Mail-in exhibits will be returned by Express Mail. Exhibitors desiring another return method must make their own arrangements. Return postage in the amount of, at least, \$40.00 must accompany the entry; any excess above \$2.00 will be refunded. Any shortfall will be billed.

8. **JUDGING** — A panel of at least five A.P.S. Accredited Judges will be provided. The decisions of the judges will be final.

9. **AWARDS** — After the exhibits have been judged by accepted standards of philatelic achievement, WESTPEX Large Gold, Gold, Large Vermeil, Vermeil, Large Silver, Silver, Silver-Bronze or Bronze medals will be awarded to all winners without regard to Division. Many special awards will also be available.

10. **INSURANCE** — Owners must provide their own insurance. All reasonable precautions will be taken for the safety of exhibits. Uniformed guards will be on duty day and night. Owner authorizes WESTPEX, Inc., together with all their committees to act as his/her agents. Owner hereby agrees to accept all acts done by the afore mentioned parties, and the San Francisco Airport Marriott Hotel in conjunction therewith, and agrees to hold each and all of these free and harmless from any liability by reason of any and all such acts.

11. **QUESTIONS** — Any and all questions that may arise concerning the exhibition and not provided for by these rules and regulations shall be decided by the WESTPEX Chairman of the Board at his sole and absolute discretion.

WESTPEX 2017 ENTRY FORM

April 28 – 30, 2016

____ Will send to Exhibit Team Leader per directions

____ Will deliver to Exhibit Check-In, SFO Marriott Hotel

Division ____ Frames Desired ____ No. Album Pages ____

Page size in inches: Width ____ Height ____

I have exhibited at a previous WSP show: YES / NO.

MUST BE COMPLETED →

Frame Fees	\$	_____
*Return Postage Fee	\$	40.00
Palmares Banquet Tickets ____ @ \$60	\$	_____
TOTAL ENCLOSED	\$	_____

*Please cross-out if picking up exhibit

RETURN INSTRUCTIONS (Rule 7):

TITLE OF EXHIBIT:

DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBIT (25 words or less):

-- GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS --

Make checks payable to **WESTPEX**.

Send **entry form** with fees to:

Ross A. Towle, Exhibit Team Leader
400 Clayton Street, San Francisco, CA 94117

Phone: (415) 861-0515 e-Mail: rosstowle@westpex.com

Direct all inquiries regarding competitive exhibits to the Exhibit Team Leader.

By exhibiting I agree that the decision of the judges shall be final, and releases and agree to hold harmless the judges, the American Philatelic Society, its officers, directors, employees, and representatives, and WESTPEX Inc, its officers, directors, 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.

To assist the philatelic judges in preparing for their task, it is **strongly** recommended that the following items be submitted **with your WESTPEX entry form**:

- Title page, or Introduction, or Plan of Exhibit.
- Synopsis or other supporting documents (not to exceed three pages).

Ten copies are required for distribution to judges and apprentices. If your title/introduction/plan page is not yet completed, an outline will suffice, but please indicate that it is a preliminary version. Final versions must be in the Exhibit Team Leader's hands by March 1, 2017.

PREVIOUS AWARDS since 2014 (For this Exhibit at National WSP Shows and International FIP Shows):

SHOW	YEAR	AWARD
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PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:

Name _____

Pseudonym (if desired) _____

(Permission is granted to reveal my Name in advance publicity: Yes / No)

Street _____

City _____

State _____ ZIP _____

Birth date (if minor) _____

Telephone No. (_____) _____

e-Mail address _____

SIGNATURE _____