



Ukrainian Collectibles Society

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INFORMATION SHEET & ORDER FORM

"Ukrainian Heritage in Australia" Personalised Stamp and Envelope Series

Issue No. 7
Ukrainian Scouting Association PLAST

Issue date: 12 April 2012

[the last day to place your order is: Sunday, 8 April 2012]

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UCS Personalised Stamp and Commemorative Envelope "Heritage" Series

Introduction

What is the "Heritage Series" project?

The Ukrainian Heritage Personalised Stamp and souvenir envelope series is designed to provide a tangible and collectible philatelic record of the history of various Ukrainian organisations in Australia since 1948, recognising and commemorating their respective unique contributions to Australia's Ukrainian and wider communities.

Who is facilitating this project?

The Ukrainian Collectibles Society (UCS), based in Adelaide, South Australia, under the auspices and patronage of the Australian Federation of Ukrainian Organisations (AFUO), will be responsible for preparing, producing and distributing these philatelic items.

What is planned to be issued?

- An official Australia Post Personalised Stamp™ with a label depicting the organisations' logo.
- A souvenir commemorative envelope with descriptive text in two languages on the back.

How many issues will there be and over what period of time?

It is planned to invite all major national and state Ukrainian organisations to participate in this project but this will depend on whether specific organisations wish to be a part of the project. On this basis it is unclear exactly how many issues there will be. It is planned to release two issues 2 or 3 times a year, but this will depend on responses from organisations and other administrative issues. The project will occur over a number of years. Six issues have now been released: (1) Australian Federation of Ukrainian Organisations, (2) Ukrainian Youth Association CYM, (3) Dnister Ukrainian Credit Cooperative and (4) Ukrainian Education Council of Australia, (5) Ukrainian Association of Western Australia, (6) Ukrainian Community Radio in South Australia.

Project Details

Personalised Stamps

- AUD \$0.60 denomination stamps only (current standard domestic letter rate).
- Sheets of 20 Peel & Stick (not gummed) stamps with label (stamp and label form a single unit).
- Stamps will be available to be purchased in the following formats:
 - Full sheet (NOTE: full sheet includes a corner block of 3)
 - Any quantity
- Orders can only be placed through The Ukrainian Collectibles Society on the prescribed Order form.
- Full payment on placement of order (orders will not be filled without full payment).

Commemorative First Day Cover (FDC) envelopes

- Envelopes will only be available on the first day of issue.
- Each envelope will bear a single 60-cent cancelled Personalised Stamp, UCS first day of issue imprint, a cachet design related to the organisation, and both English and Ukrainian text on the reverse of the envelope providing a brief history of the organisation.
- Orders can only be placed through The Ukrainian Collectibles Society on the prescribed Order form.
- Full payment on placement of order (orders will not be filled without full payment).
- All covers will be postmarked with a generic canceller at an Australia Post postal outlet.
- FDC can be:
 - Posted direct to the purchaser on the day of issue (within Australia only)
 - Sent to the purchaser in a package (in mint condition)
 - For non-Australian residents, FDC can only be ordered in mint condition

Orders and payment

- Orders can only be made on the prescribed Order Form - there is a separate form for each release (a Word document Order Form attached).
- Orders can only be placed through The Ukrainian Collectibles Society:
 - PO Box 466, Woodville SA 5011
 - Email: bandura@ozemail.com.au
 - Telephone contact: George Fedyk - 0412 702 234 | Day: 08 8345 4033 | A/H: 08 8445 9825
 - Telephone contact: Frank Fursenko - 0412 267 880 | Day & A/H: 08 8338 6165
- There will be a cut-off date for the placement of orders for stamps and FDC - orders will not be filled after that date.
- Orders will be accepted from both Australian and non-Australian residents.
- Available payment options:
 - Cheque - payable to "The Ukrainian Collectibles Society"
 - Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)
 - Institution: Dnister Ukrainian Credit Cooperative, Hindmarsh, SA
 - BSB: 704-235
 - Account Number: 02800084
 - Notation: "your name and city" (eg: Ivan Mazepa, Adelaide)
 - A notation **MUST** be made with any EFT for identification.
 - **For international orders:**
 - Electronic payment in Australian currency only, either through Paypal or Moneybookers - the email payment address is: bandura@ozemail.com.au A surcharge of 5% **MUST** be added to the total amount to offset charges.
 - An appropriate notation must be made with funds transfer for identification.
 - International Bank cheques, in Australian currency, payable on an Australian bank, are accepted.
 - Non-Australian personal cheques will be accepted **but only if** an AUD \$25.00 surcharge is added to the total to cover bank transaction costs.
 - International currency cash payments will **not be** accepted.

Delivery of ordered items

All ordered items will be sent in the week following release in a single package to the address provided on the Order Form, unless any FDC are to be posted direct to the purchaser on the day of issue.

Prices and Costs (all prices in AUD)

- Stamps:
 - Full sheet of 20 stamps - \$30.00 (over 20 sheets attracts discounts)
 - Individual stamps - \$ 1.50 each
- First Day Covers:
 - Fully serviced envelope - \$5.00
- Postage and handling costs: (standard letter weight up to 125g)
 - Within Australia - \$1.50
 - International - \$6.00 (for Registered mail, see Order Form)
 - DL size letter for non-full sheets / B4 size letter for full sheets (see Order Form)
- For packages in excess of 125g you will be contacted prior to despatch for additional postage payment.
- All payments are in Australian currency only.

Additional Information

- A small quantity of stamps and FDC will be held by the UCS and will be made available for purchase after the release date (on a first in, first paid basis). Stamps will cost \$2.00 each and FDC \$7.00 each. You should contact the UCS directly for further information or to purchase.
- Should collectors require specific album pages to house stamps and covers, to obtain details please contact George Fedyk at: bandura@ozemail.com.au

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Generally the UCS releases two new stamp and FDC issues for the "Ukrainian Heritage in Australia" series every four months.

In mid-2011 it was decided to defer releasing the next two new issues in the second half of 2011 due to the UCS and its members being heavily involved in philatelic projects dedicated to a stamp and FDC for the 20th Anniversary of Ukraine's Independence, the staging of UCSPEX-2011 in Sydney NSW in August 2011, and then the release of a stamp and FDC and postcards for the Centenary Jamboree of Plast Ukrainian Scouting in Canberra, ACT in December 2011-January 2012.

Many of you would have now seen the stamps and envelopes prepared and released for both the 20th Anniversary of Ukraine's Independence and the Centenary of Plast.

It is now a well-known fact that the envelope cachet used for the Plast stamp was indeed the one prepared by the UCS as its own envelope. The original plan was to release separate stamps and envelopes for both Plast and the UCS, at different times. So, there would have been two stamps and two envelopes, as well as two different postmarks (at different times).

As the UCS facilitated the release of the Plast stamp and FDC, it has been decided by the UCS to not complicate life, keep things financially and logistically simple, and thus the following will apply:

- Personalised Postage Stamp
 - Existing stock of the Plast stamp released in December 2011 will be used for the new UCS Heritage issue. If additional quantities are required, they will be re-printed by Australia Post.
 - The UCS saw no point in designing a new stamp with the Plast "lileika" when there was a perfectly good design available.
 - This means that the Plast and the UCS stamps are identical.
- First Day of Issue Envelope
 - The UCS has designed a new envelope with text on the reverse in the style used for previous Heritage releases.
- Postmark cancellation
 - The UCS will cancel all envelopes at the Woodville 5011 post office, which is different from the Plast FDC which was cancelled at Canberra 2601 post office.
 - The UCS envelope will bear the unique UCS first day of issue cancel.
 - Envelopes will also be cancelled with the special Plast Centenary logo impression.
- Issue Date
 - The UCS will release the new FDC on 12 April 2012 to commemorate the exact centenary of the taking of the first Plast Oath on 12 April 1912 in Lviv, Ukraine.
- UCS Heritage series information
 - The Plast Centenary stamp will be deemed an official UCS release in terms of it being a part of the ongoing "Ukrainian Heritage in Australia" series. It will be labelled as Stamp No. 7 of the ongoing "Ukrainian Heritage in Australia" series.
 - The new UCS envelope will be labelled as FDC No. 7 of the ongoing "Ukrainian Heritage in Australia" series.