

Salon du Timbre



The 6th edition of the Salon Planète Timbres organized every two years by the French Post and the French Federation (FFAP) was held at the Floral Park of Paris from the 9th to the 17th June 2012. There were 23.000 square meters for activity spaces, Postal Administrations, Dealers and the Exhibition Halls. 1682 frames were on display, containing some of the best collections of all of Europe. The event joined the French Championship of Philately with 505 frames and the remaining 1177 belonging to the International Philatelic Exhibition.



Left, Inauguration : Jean-Paul Bailly, President of the French Post, Cristèle Fontaine, Director de Phil@poste, Nicolas Routier, President of Sofipost, Claude Désarménien, Vice-president of the French Federation and Robert Cloix, Federation's President. Right photo, queuing to buy the "Collection Etoiles d'Or"



The Commissioners of the International Exhibition with Bernard Jiménez, Vice-President of the O.C. and responsible of the Philatelic area: Nicola Xaro, Rainer Von Sharpen, Klaus Schopfer, Constant Kockelbergh, Yordan Kocher, Nicos Rangos, Ivan Libric, Lars Peter Svedsen, Pietro Bajocchi, Francisco Javier Castro Manrique, Juri Laanesaar, Seppo Laaksonen, Alain Hecquet, Frank Walton, Socrates Bosovitch, Denes Czirik, Sigudour Peturson, Moshe Burshtein, Bruno Crevato-Selvaggi, Guy Jungblut, Tomo Katuric, Marit Elind, Cees Janssen, Drzewieck Przemyslaw, Marcial Passos, Vit Vanicek, Leonard Pascanu, Konstandin Filobok, Aleksandar Krstic, Miroslav Bachraty, Bojan Bracic, Beng Bengston, Mehmet Akan and Veclav Savin.

Amongst other special issues, there was the called "Collection Etoiles d'Or" , a folder of 15 sheets with a limited printing of 6000 numbered copies of the Marianne de Beaujard , sold en exclusive at the Salon Planete Timbre at the price of 125 Euros. They were sold in a couple of hours.

The excellent organization was the responsibility of the Committee formed by Christèle Fontaine and Robert Cloix as Presidents ;Vice-Presidents : Bernard Jimenez and Georges Guigues, Commissioner General for the Salon , Joëlle Amalfitano and the Commissioner General for the Exhibition , Claude Desarmenien.



The International Jury (left side) was composed by: Présidents d'honneur : Robert Cloix (Président of the FFAP), Jørgen Jørgensen (Président of the FEPA). Président : Bernard Jimenez , Secrétaire : Jose Ramon Moreno, Secrétaire administratif : Alain Hecquet , Traditional Philately : Jussi Tuori , Lars Peter Svendsen, Robert Dedecker , Salam Hany, Postal History : Peter McCann, Francis Kiddle , Arman Arikan, Boncho Bonev , Wolf Hess and Mario Mentaschi . Experts : Jean-François Brun (on both exhibitions), James Van Der Linden and Eduardo Escalada. The National Jury (on the right side) was formed by Georges Guigues, President, Robert Cloix, Vice-president, Yvette Cloix, Secretary, Michel Letailleur, Alain Tarbouriech, Guy Dutau, Jacques Foort, Michel Tixier, Jean-François Gibot, Luc Guillard, Patrick Lacastaignerate, Jacques Foort, Jacques Renaud , Dominique Durand, Jean-Claude Roussel, Claude Désarménien, Pascale de Mezamat, Stéphanie Carruggi, Michel Liflard,

The event was attended by 115.000 visitors, 20.000 scholars amongst them. Many of the numerous activities were devoted to the youngsters, attracting them to philately.



Activities for the youth, and the winner of the Grand Prix International, Jesús Sitjá, receiving his trophy from Robert Cloix , Président of the FFAP in presence of Claude Desarmenien, Vice-président of the French Federation

The Grand Prix de l'of the National Exhibition and so the Champion of France of Philately was Jean-Pierre Magne for its exhibit « Les relations postales de la Russie Impériale vers la France de 1858 à 1875 ». The « Salon du Timbre de Paris 2012 » was a great succès. Congratulations to the O.C. and specially to its Vice-president Bernard Jiménez who worked enormously to achieve this fantastic result.

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