#### EuroPhilEx Birmingham 2025 Wednesday 7 to Sunday 11 May 2025



## 7 MONTHS TO GO

#### Hall 9, The National Exhibition Centre, Solihull, Near Birmingham, England



### The NEC, Birmingham

- > Britain's premier exhibition venue
- Located in the heart of England
- > Easy to get to from many British cities
- > 18 massive exhibition halls. EuroPhilEx is in Hall 9
- > Location of several of the largest exhibitions in Britain
- Next to Birmingham International Airport
- > Birmingham International Train Station on site
- Close to several motorways and junctions
- > 16,500 car parking spaces
- Excellent wifi throughout and good lighting
- > Choice of in-house catering outlets, including in the hall
- Pub in the adjoining Atrium
- Ground floor throughout
- > On site hotels, restaurants, cinema, entertainments



#### Location map

NEC

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### The Exhibition

- > FEPA patronage with FIP recognition
- > Marks awarded will be recognised for future FIP exhibitions
- > Up to 2000 frames for all FIP classes except Youth
- Literature class and reading area, organised by AIJP
- > 6,500 sqm of exhibition and trader floor space
- > All exhibits receive a medal, even single frame entries & Literature
- Commissioners appointed for 37 FEPA countries
- > 45 Countries exhibiting
- Entries accepted outside Europe from exhibitors who are members of societies affiliated to FEPA national organisations, so, for instance, any RPSL member worldwide can enter
- > 6 dedicated commissioners for countries outside Europe
- > £95 frame fee, or £120 for single frames, £40 Literature
- > No additional national handling charge for UK exhibitors

### Entry deadline. Need to qualify?

- EuroPhilEx and Uruguay 2025 are the only confirmed full international exhibitions between Hafnia and Boston in May 2026.
- EuroPhilEx is still open for entries but there are only about
   50 frames left, so register your entry now
- > Exhibits must have at least 75 marks at a national exhibition.
- > Open for Literature entries until 28 February 2025.
- Some participating countries still have their own national exhibitions where exhibits could be qualified but check the dates as they may be imminent.

#### How to enter

- > On-line entry forms through the EuroPhilEx website at http://europhilex2025.co.uk
- > Quick and easy to complete
- Separate entry form for literature
- Still open for entries but not many frames left
- Introductory page and synopsis to be sent by email.
   They can be added or altered until 1 February 2025
- National Commissioners have been notified of accepted exhibits and should be contacting their exhibitors soon.

### Special awards

- > Medals and certificates for all entries including narrow theme exhibits
- > Special medals for Gold and Large Gold awards
- FEPA Grand Prix Class, Grand Prix National and Grand Prix International will receive object d'art sponsored by The Global Philatelic Network
- > Special prizes from participating philatelic organisations
- > RPSL Exhibition Medal to be awarded
- Historic British Trophies resurrected
   The B.P.E. Silver Bowl Trophy for Traditional Class
   The Silver Postbox for Postal History Class
   The Silver Globe Trophy for Aerophilately Class
   The B.P.E. Silver Salver for Revenue Class
   The Postal Stationery Society Cup for Postal Stationery Class
   The Stamp Magazine Trophy for Thematic Class
   The Stanley Gibbons Trophy for Open Class
   The Postman's Truncheon for Picture Postcard and Maximaphily Classes
   The Albert H Harris pen tray and stamp box trophy for Literature
   (Trophies will be presented for a photo which will be given to the exhibitor)



### **Exhibition attractions**

- N.P.S. Court of Honour featuring 1856 1 cent British Guyana, courtesy of Stanley Gibbons.
   8 other major world-class exhibits on display
- Society meeting rooms offering 53 sessions.
   25 sessions already booked. Plus societies' showcase day.
- > Royal Mail stand with special issue and postmarks
- > Different free souvenir sheet every day
- > Different cancel every day
- > Cavendish Auction on Sunday
- > Plenty of seating and in-hall restaurant and café
- > V.I.P. Club
- > RDP ceremony and reception open to all
- > Philatelic Congress of Great Britain & FEPA Congress



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### Dealers' Bourse

- > Almost limitless space for dealers
- > Shell scheme and trestle table stands available
- Seating for customers at most stands
- > 48 trade stands currently booked
- > At least 65 ultimately anticipated
- Free parking for dealers and direct
- Level unloading into hall
- Easy stand payments by instalments.
   No payment required yet

#### **Reserved stands**

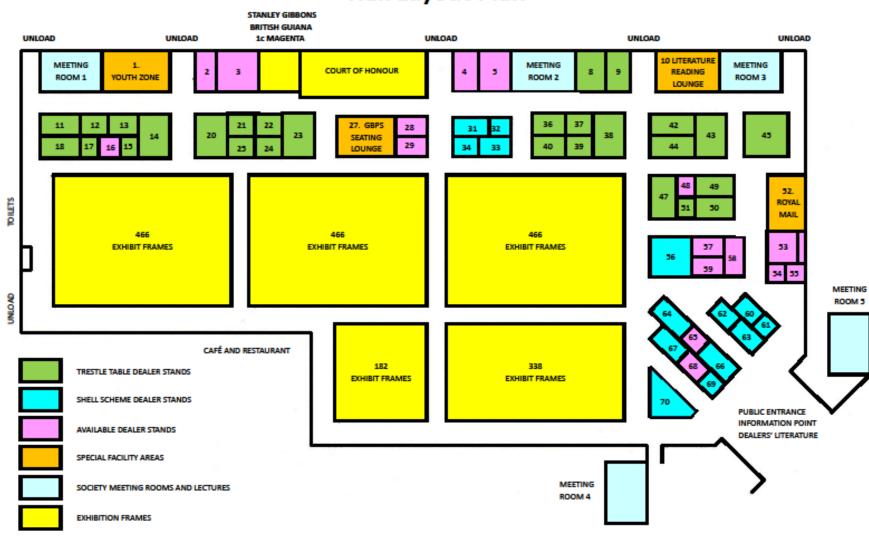
Abacus Auctions, Australia Africa Stamps Argyll Etkin Ltd John Auld/Alliance Auctions Anthony Baker **Bill Barrell Ltd** Boston 2026 World Stamp Show. USA Ian Boulton, Australia Tristan Brittain Burstamp. Australia **Cavendish Auctions** Cover Story Ltd Eastern Auctions, Canada Edmonds and Turner Itd David Feldman Auctions. Switzerland Eddie Foley Thematics GB Military covers and stamps Tom George Postal History Global Philatelic Network + RPSL **Grosvenor Auctions** 

Invicta Philatelics Ltd Isle of Man Post Office Sandeep Jaiswal. USA Paul Jones Midland Philatelics Ltd **Mulready Philatelics** North Staffs Stamps **Trevor Patemen** Ian Perry Stamps Postiljonen AB. Sweden Mike Pugh **Richardson and Copp Royal Philatelic Society London** Samwells Ltd Spink Stamp Active/Youth philately **Stanley Gibbons Stephen Taylor** Thames Themes/David Griffiths Thematix/Paula Cant

Martin Townsend Chris Rainey Bill Pipe/Magpie John Coaten Ramsdens Zhaoonline. China Benstamps Royal Mail

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#### EuroPhilEx Birmingham 2025 – 7-11 May 2025 – Hall 9 of the National Exhibition Centre Hall Layout Plan



#### Pink stands are still available

# Society meetings and sponsorship

- Society meeting rooms are available every day, 11am-1pm, 1pm-3pm and 3pm-5pm. Multiple slots can be booked.
- > £150 + VAT for rooms seating 40.
- > Larger prestige room at £500 per session, £1,200 per day.
- > Rooms equipped with 8 display frames, tables and chairs.
- Spaces available for presentations, lectures, book launches etc at £100 per session.
   Equipped with frames, tables and chairs.
- > Societies can sponsor exhibition class banner for £1,000.

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> Society open day on Thursday. £20 + VAT per table.

#### Societies currently involved

#### > Society meetings

GBPS, RPSL, Society of Postal Historians, East Africa Study Circle, Channel Islands Specialists' Society, GB Overprint Society, British Airmail Society, British Thematic Association, New Zealand Society of GB, Austrian Phil Soc, Falklands Islands Study Group, Perfin Society, Pacific Islands Study Group, Revenue Society, Malta Study Circle, Birmingham Phil Soc, Egypt Study Circle and several more.

#### Society day tables booked

PHS, East African Study Circle, Austrian Phil Soc, GB Overprint Soc, Falkland Islands Philatelic Study Group, NZ Soc of GB, Birmingham Phil Soc, Perfin Soc, Postal Stationery Soc, Faroe Islands Study Group, West Africa Study Circle, Study Group of Collectors of German Colonial Stamps, Canadian Philatelic Soc of GB, Forces Postal History Society (the latter also sponsoring 50 individual frames).

#### Exhibition class banners sponsored by societies

Traditional Class: Postal History Class: Revenue Class: Airmail Class: Postal Stationery Class:

Royal Philatelic Society London Society of Postal Historians Revenue Society British Airmail Society Postal Stationery Society

### **Current Sponsors**

> Frame Manufacture Printed matter and signage Medals FEPA Patronage & FIP Recognition **Customs Clearance** Palmares Dinner **Court of Honour** Society Meeting Rooms Literature reading lounge Youth Philately area **Grand Prix prizes** Exhibit envelopes Frame Headers for exhibits Exhibition brochure Palmares brochure Lapel pins and official bags Volunteers' refreshments

Anonymous Joseph Hackmey RDP Danny Wong/Ava Auctions Joseph Hackmey RDP ABPS The Global Philatelic Network National Philatelic Society The Philatelic Fund Stuart Rossiter Trust The Spear Trust The Global Philatelic Network Spink Spink Stamp Collecting magazine The Global Philatelic Network Anna Lee **Cavendish Philatelic Auctions** 

### Sponsorship opportunities

> Main Event Sponsor Hire of exhibition floor space Publicity and promotion budget Hotel sponsor **Judges and Commissioners** Hospitality and excursions **Transportation Opening night reception Opening ceremony** Souvenir sheets Ties and tee-shirts Public seating areas

£70,000 £60,000 £50,000 £40,000 £30,000 £20,000 £10,000 £ 8,000 £ 6,000 £ 4,000 £ 2,000 £ 1,000

#### Patronage

#### > Large Gold Patron. £3750

4 VIP Lounge passes, 4 early admission passes, 4 priority opening ceremony and 4 Court of Honour passes, 2 Patron's lunch invites, 2 Palmares tickets, 2 sightseeing trip tickets, Palmares table naming, special medal, bag, tie, name stated and more.

#### > Gold Patron. £1250

2 VIP Lounge passes, 2 early admission passes, 2 priority opening ceremony and Court of Honour passes, 1 Patron's lunch invite, 1 Palmares ticket, 1 Sightseeing trip ticket, special medal, bag, tie, name stated, limited edition souvenir sheet and more.

#### > Patron. £500

1 VIP Lounge pass, early admission pass, priority opening ceremony and Court of Honour pass, bag, tie, name stated, limited addition souvenir sheet and more.

#### > Supporter. £125

Naming in catalogue and on website, limited edition exhibition souvenir sheet, exhibition catalogue, newsletter.

### **Current Patrons**

- > Our thanks go to the following Patrons.
- Large Gold Patrons Adriano Bergamini The Philatelic Fund
- Gold Patron Peter Cockburn

Estelle Shale

Takashi Yoshida

Patrons

Ian Baker Jan Berg Prakob Chirakiti Derek Connell John Davies David Feldman Auctions Cheryl Ganz Ian Gibson-Smith James Grimwood-Taylor Bill Hedley Chris Jones Chris and Birthe King Yvonne Wheatley Richard Wheatley

> Supporter

Paul Latham-Ward Shakeel Ahmad

More Patrons welcome. Please register your patronage through the website www.europhilex2025.co.uk

## Advertising & souvenir sheets

- > 12 free monthly souvenir sheets in Stamp Collecting magazine starting with the first two in June 2024
- Extensive advertising in UK society journals
- > Adverts in all leading UK philatelic magazines and websites
- Extensive editorial to philatelic magazines & organisations worldwide
- > Lapel pins flyers social media





#### Hotels

> Official event hotel is the Arden Hotel and Leisure Club



where Organisers, Commissioners, Judges and helpers will be staying.
Special rates negotiated. £129 single, £143 double or twin,
including cooked breakfast, use of leisure club (pool and gym), and parking.
5 minute walk from the NEC. Booking details on EuroPhilEx website.

#### > Other on-site hotels - Details on website

Crowne Plaza Birmingham NEC Hilton Birmingham Metropole Moxy Birmingham NEC The Genting Hotel Holiday Inn Express Birmingham NEC Premier Inn NEC Birmingham Airport Hotel Travel Lodge Birmingham Airport Ibis Styles Hotel Novotel Birmingham Airport

See Google for dozens of hotels surrounding the NEC and in Birmingham, at a range of prices

### Other things to do on site

- James Bond exhibition in Hall 12
- > The Bear Grylls Adventure
- > Big screen action at Cineworld
- > Bowling at Hollywood Bowl
- > Vortex video arcade
- Escape rooms at Escape Hunt
- > Restaurants, bars and pubs
- > Resorts World Casino
- > Spas. Shopping
- > National Motorcycle Museum





#### Resort World Arena

- > On site music and comedy concert venue
- Evening concerts some nights during exhibition.
   More still to be announced.
- > Tuesday 6 May Twenty One Pilots
- Saturday 10 May Katherine Ryan

### Things to do in Birmingham

- Cadbury World
- Peaky Blinders tour
- > Aston Villa Football Club tour
- > Edgbaston Cricket Ground tour
- > Michelin starred restaurants
- > Stirchley Beer Mile
- > Botanical Gardens
- > Museums and art galleries
- > Theatre, ballet, Symphony Hall
- > Black Country Living Museum





### Things to do in West Midlands

- Stratford upon Avon Shakespeare country Shakespeare's birthplace - Anne Hathaway's cottage
- Stratford Barn and Chasewater Steam Railways
- > Warwick and Kenilworth Castles
- > Alton Towers theme park
- Royal Airforce Museum
- Legoland Discovery Centre
- Coventry Transport Museum
- Biddulph Grange Gardens
- National Sea Life Centre
- > Royal Worcester and Wedgwood museums
- Birmingham, Worcester and Coventry Cathedrals







### Volunteers and helpers

- > Your help is needed particularly at the exhibition
- > Getting exhibits in and out of frames
- > Welcoming and helping Commissioners and Judges
- > Meet and greet at airports
- > Manning the information desk
- > Set-up and break-down team
- > Problem solving
- > Sign up today on the website

www.europhilex2025.co.uk



### Remember!!!

- > EuroPhilEx Birmingham 2025
- > Wednesday 7 to Sunday 11 May 2025
- > National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham
- > Still some space for exhibits
- > Only European international exhibition in 2025
- > Don't miss it See you there!

