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Cinderella Issues

By Larry Crain

Cinderella issues — I do not completely understand them, but they include a wide jumble of collectable items. There are different types but I have not seen attempts to organize. Let me try to list categories.

1) **Poster** stamps already have a solid organizational base. I understand them to have a promotional basis, usually for businesses or events. 2) **Seal** stamps are fund-raising items for organizations such as Boys Town. They often are placed on mail but not as postage. These are unlike the others which follow because, although they have stamp-like shapes, they usually don't carry name or value.

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poster stamp
c. 1950



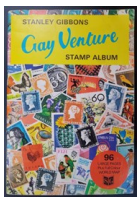
seal stamp
Colombia



local post
stamp
Lundy
Island, GB



fantasy stamp
Dung Dung Island
by Leonard Holstein



Gay Ventures

A Philatelic Column

3) **Local post** stamps mimic governmental postage by proposing to deliver mail whether for fun as in stamp show covers or for actual need such as Rattlesnake Island. 4) **Fantasy** stamps are created countries akin to Jonathon Swift's countries visited by Gulliver or Tolkien's Middle Earth.

5) **Spoof** stamps make fun of philately, whether these be by lampooning countries, by value mockery or by design parody. Whatever, they are hard to find. 6) **Pseudo-country** stamps are real geographic areas which promoters have issued stamps for. Many of these are areas of Great Britain or of Russia. If I may climb on my soap box, these are encouraged by Guernsey, Barbuda, Aland Islands, etc. Others are politically inspired by revolutionary committees wanting independence, including some which have somewhat succeeded.



Spoof stamp
Mad Magazine
1964



Pseudo-country
Republik Maluku Selatan,
not a successful
break-away area of
Indonesia but it still has a
government in exile in the
Netherlands

I ask readers to join in by sending me thoughts or examples. I need scanned examples of several I know about and do not have. Contact me at larry.crain@gmail.com



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

The **objective** of GLHS is 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.

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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.

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Membership Report

Our current membership consists of **79** members. 49 are also members of the American Philatelic Society (APS) & 35 members of the American Topical Association (ATA).

*When you join the APS, ATA and/or AFDCS
notify GLHS*

! New Members !

Gene, T., Washington, D.C.
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Melanie R., Chicago, Ill.
Gary B., Silver Spring, Md.
Richard B., Coquitlam, BC

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 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

Letters Received....

Dear All.
Hello.

On July 25, 2022, La Poste (France) issues a stamp to commemorate the centenary of the disappearance of Marcel PROUST.



I enclose the link to the philatelic site of La Poste called "Le Carré d'encre" about this issue.

In addition to the stamp, a Philatelic Souvenir will be published.

Best regards, Laurent

<http://www.lecarradencre.fr/timbre/marcel-proust-1871-1922/>

Posted on GLHS FB Sept. 3: Anyone have any ideas? [Message from a member.] - I found something unusual you might want to look into. This stamp claims to be from the "Kingdom of Koro" in northern Ivory Coast.



My search on Google found a commune in that area named Koro with a population of about 23k



people. Perhaps this is a local post for the area?

It might be fun for group members to do a bit of research and see what they can come up with.

<https://www.ebay.com/itm/255340472420?hash=item3b737a6864:g:kVQAAOSwnjlh5~fg>

Received for entering a GLHS 40th Anniversary One Page-Exhibit ...

Many thanks for participating in the 2022 American Topical Association's My One-Page Exhibit Program. I am pleased to attach your certificates honoring your part in this year's event. In all, ATA presented 220 one-page philatelic exhibits from 14 countries around the world. The exhibits will remain on display on the ATA website at americantopical.org until the end of October.

I encourage you to plan now for the 2023 ATA My One-Page Exhibit Program. We will look forward to your next exhibit!

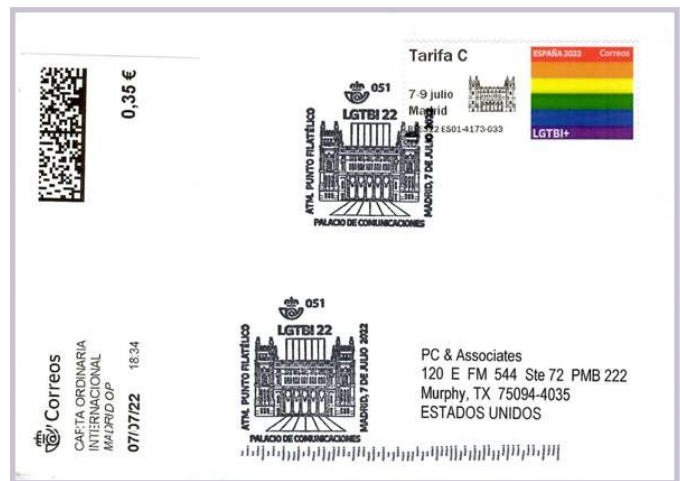
Warmly,

Michele
My One-Page Exhibit!
Co-coordinator
American Topical Association
americantopical.org



Shared by Phil Stager, a cover sent to him from Peter Elias

Here's a cover I just received from Spain, commemorating LGTBI+



Note: The current "Tarifa C" apparently does not fully cover postage to the USA, so they had to add another "PVI" strip with additional postage. It is my understanding that they will eventually come up with another "Tarifa" (tarif / rate) designation for USA (and possibly other country) rates. Whether that will be called "Tarifa D" or perhaps "Tarifa C2" is unknown (just my speculation).
Peter



Breaking the Ice Member Introductions

Hi My name is Keith Hambly and I live in Toronto, Canada.



My interest in stamp collecting began when I was around 8 years old in the late 1960's. My mom collected a few stamps when she was little and she got me interested. I was always fascinated and interested in history and art and there were so many stamps from communist countries (at the time) and small Arab Gulf States that produced interesting stamps of various artists and art. I.e., Romania, Hungary, Manama etc. I realize those stamps were sold for revenue, not necessarily for internal use. But none the less got me interested. Also just collecting stamps from any far flung country was interesting. I could say my collecting at that time lacked focus and anything was of interest. However my interest waned in the 1970's-1980's and I limited to collecting only the odd old (1950's and 1960's) Soviet stamps and new issue Canadian corner blocks. I regained interest about 5 years ago.

I now have a specific interest in collecting Canadian sheets. My goal about 5 years ago, was to have a complete collection of Canadian stamps, in sheets and souvenir sheets. At this point I have a fairly complete set of sheets from 1947 forward. My next goal is to complete my collection of the Canadian War (1942-43) and then Peace (1946) issue stamp sets.

It is all about the history and the art work of the design that is depicted on the stamp. It is quite interesting what the 'story' that is being depicted on the stamp, in say 1952 says about a country and what it may say in 2022. It depicts what is important in the culture of the country.

I was so thrilled to read that GLHS was to be attending CAPEX Toronto. It is really about getting connected to others to talk about stamps and particularly now seeing current or historic 2SLGBTQI people or issues depicted on stamps. Often times the individual may not be known to be part of our community by those who are in charge of who is depicted on a

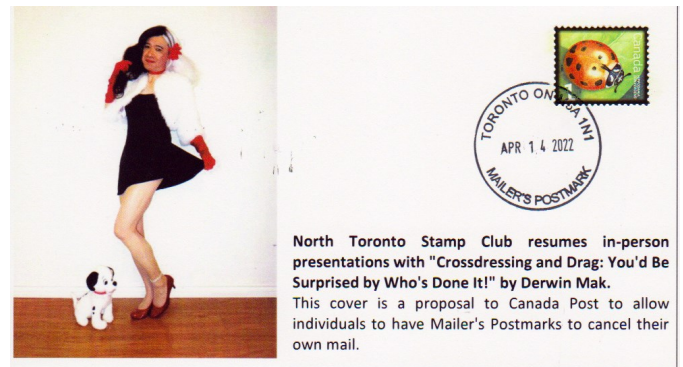
stamp. Always a chuckle when Tchaikovsky is depicted on a Russian stamp... given their historic and current policies.

I hope to make connections with other members and members here in Toronto or other Canadian locations. Would always appreciate info sessions over zoom if I am available.

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!"



North Toronto Stamp Club resumes in-person presentations with "Crossdressing and Drag: You'd Be Surprised by Who's Done It!" by Derwin Mak. This cover is a proposal to Canada Post to allow individuals to have Mailer's Postmarks to cancel their own mail.

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

Posted on GLHS FB page August 21: Derwin shared; Shamelessly philatelic cover celebrating the riot at Gene Compton's cafeteria in San Francisco, August 1966 (nobody remembers the exact date). Police regularly went to Gene Compton's Cafeteria to arrest drag queens and transgender women for "masquerading", that is, crossdressing, which was illegal in San Francisco and almost everywhere else in the United States at the time. One night in August 1966, a drag queen or transgender woman threw a cup of coffee at a police officer who tried to arrest her. The other customers threw food and drinks at the police, and a food fight broke out. This was three years before the more famous Stonewall Riots in New York.



Gene Compton's Cafeteria Riot, San Francisco, August 1966
Photo by Henri Leleu, c. 1966, from GLBT Historical Society
Derwin Mak Cachet BME 1/5

GLHS Meeting at the Great American Stamp Show August 2022



There were 21 in attendance at the GLHS meeting on Thursday August 25th at GASS 2022. Lisa shared a Power-Point presentation which highlighted the evolution of GLHS over the past 40 years.



We have had the same leadership essentially since 2018. We need new participants.

Lisa has held the position of editor since 2018, and if anyone willing to take on the role it would be greatly appreciated. Lisa would continue to provide support and send content for publication. Feedback from literature exhibitions included the need for an editor. Vera Felts volunteered to proof read the journal prior to publication.

Lisa shared participating in an interview with a reporter who asked her where she saw GLHS in 4 years. She could not answer. So the question was raised to the membership; Where do we see ourselves? What are our goals and aspirations?

The high point in GLHS membership was in the early 1990s with approximately 175 members. That is a goal which we can achieve if not surpass.

There has been a lot of interest in having GLHS exhibits at exhibitions. The discussion progressed to having online exhibits for GLHS. This idea will be pursued further.

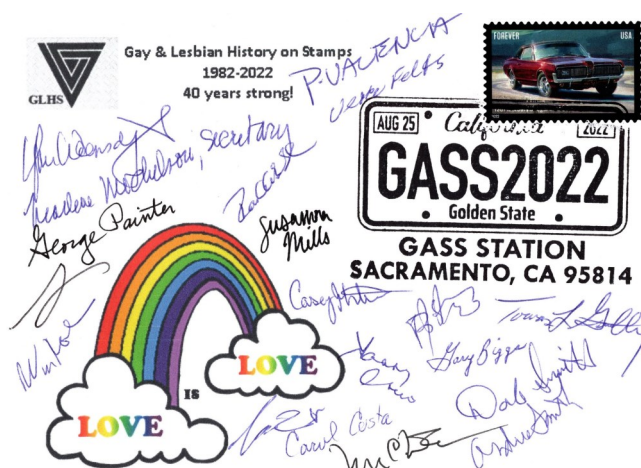
For those without a scanner, TurboScan was recommended. It's an app which turns your phone into a scanner.

Richard B. shared covers of ACT-UP (AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power) correspondence. It was interesting and engaging postal history.

Carol C. brought the Royal Mail released Pride stamps released July 1, 2022.

Attendees each received their choice of GLHS cachets for the Pony Cars. The GLHS Cachet

was designed by Pablo Valencia, Creative Designer and Artist. Pablo was introduced at the meeting and available to sign the covers.



GLHS Cover signed by meeting attendees



Back row: Gary B, Dale S, William R, Ian GS, Richard B, Phil S, Lisa F, George P, Tomas G.

Second row: Casey Jo W, Pablo V., Susana M, Vera F, Carol C, Marlene M, Yme W,

Seated: Larry C, Laurie A

Posted on GLHS FB July 9: Ricard shared LGBTQ+, LOVE, PRIDE, ..., Some of the cancellations or postmarks of the British Postal Service for July 1, 2022.



GLHS Promotion Opportunities

Taste of Topicals

Vera Felts reached out to GLHS July 16, 2022: The ATA offers for sale more than 400 different topical beginner stamp packets. These contain 30 different stamps related to a topic, five printed album pages, hinges, and other info. They are currently sold for \$7; see <https://americantopical.org/Taste-of-Topicals> for more info. Barbara Asher is the volunteer who prepares these starter kits. As this was a project dear to my heart, I've continued to help with it since I left actively working for ATA.

We always work toward adding more topics to the Taste of Topical offerings, and several study units have helped us do so by providing stamps for the kits. We are wondering whether members of GLHS would be willing to contribute some of their duplicate stamps to enable us to offer a "Rainbow PRIDE" packet; actually, it could be given any name you would like. Toward the end of offering a Taste of Topicals kit related to each of the ATA Study Units helping sponsor GASS, do you know of any GLHS members who could mail duplicate stamps to either Barbara or me? Any number of stamps could be used (doesn't need to be exactly 30), and multiple copies of any are welcome. The kits will be offered for sale at the ATA booth at GASS, and hopefully also at the Study Unit society table, with all financial benefit going to ATA.

Thanks for letting me know whether GLHS would like to participate in the Taste of Topicals project! We'll immediately provide mailing addresses if this seems a worthy idea to you. Hundreds of Taste of Topicals have been purchased for adults as well as youths, so it is a nice opportunity to further publicity for GLHS. We would be happy to include GLHS info in each packet, as well.

Lisa let Vera know that we would not be able to participate at GASS 2022, but may be willing/able to for next year.

For some of the more difficult to find topics like Penguins, they include only 15 stamps in the beginner kits instead of 30. Sounds like this should be the case for GLHS, too...

They do include a predominance of foreign stamps in 'most all of the Taste of Topicals (even subjects like Americana are mostly foreign stamps

--in fact, the Americana Unit itself covers only foreign ones!!).

GLHS members: consider saving your duplicates to donate to the ATA Taste of Topicals. They may be sent to Vera Felts, 211 Petal Ln, Sequim WA 98382-3612.

The Chronicle-Telegram

Dennis Sadowski, a professional journalist, and a long-time stamp collector reached out to GLHS on June 20, 2022, to conduct an interview with a member to discuss the club and the many stamps depicting gay and lesbian people. Dennis writes a stamp collecting column for *The Chronicle-Telegram*, the daily newspaper in Elyria, Ohio, about 20 miles west of Cleveland.

Dennis noted that the GLHS website is "quite extensive" and "very well organized".

On June 28th Lisa participated in a phone interview regarding the club, what members collect, some history of the organization and programs we offer to create awareness of gay and lesbian people on stamps.

Any member who wishes to be considered for future promotional opportunities such as being interviewed, writing articles for other publications, giving presentations to other philatelic organizations, send an email to glhstamps2@gmail.com

LGBT Exhibit Wish List



Tomas Griebing is thinking of putting together an exhibit related to LGBT symbols, specifically the Lambda, the Labrys, and the Pink Triangle. He will need stamps, cancels, meters, covers, cachets, postcards, etc. The focus is the symbols (specifically Pink Triangle - or Blank Triangle - Lambda, and Labrys).

He will not be including the Pride Flag rainbow or the Red Ribbon (HIV specific).

If anyone has any to share, sell, trade or has contacts that would assist Tomas in completing this project, please email TLGINKC@yahoo.com



The Double Geneva Club



The Double Geneva (French Double de Genève) is the first stamp issued by the Swiss Canton of Geneva in 1843. The term double Geneva is derived from the special arrangement of the individual stamps. It bears the name Double Geneva for the double image on the stamp, and its place of origin.

The imperforate stamps were produced in yellow-green paper in lithography in sheets of 10 stamps x 5 lines in black color. Each half, at 5 centimes if cut out would pre-pay the postage on letters within the city of Geneva: the whole stamp at 10 centimes pre-paid postage outside the city but within the Canton of Geneva.

It seems fitting that these two stamps, connected by a common header, are the image depicted on the pin identifying members of the Double Geneva Club; couples where both individuals are philatelic exhibitors.

During the Great American Stamp Show some GLHS members and their spouses were inducted into the club.



They signed the scroll and were pinned by Eminent collector and historian, Birthe King, FRPSL (Fellow of the Royal Philatelic Society, London). What an honor.



Birthe King



Lisa Foster and Laurie Anderson



Dawn and John Hamman

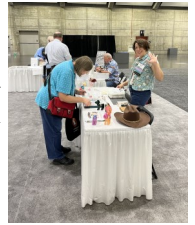


Tomas Griebing and Mike Miklovic



Cachetmakers Bourse @ GASS 2022

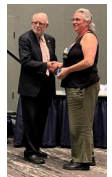
There were less participants in the Cachetmakers Bourse at GASS this year. We asked around and were told the majority of cachetmakers live on the East Coast.



Casey Jo White created My Little Pony Cars postcards in sets of five.

GLHS Members Exhibit @ GASS 2022

Laurie Anderson received a Large Vermeil for her exhibit *Go for the Gold! The Introduction of Women in the Olympic Games* in the StampShow Multi-Frame Competition.



John Hotchner & Laurie

Tomas L. Griebing received a Large Vermeil for the exhibit, *The Olympic Symbol in Design* in the NTSS Multi-Frame Competition. Tomas also received a Large Silver in the NTSS Single Frame Competition for the exhibit, *The 16th Olympic Winter Games—Albertville and the Savoie 1992*.



Dawn Hamman received the NTSS Multi-Frame Most Popular award and Gold for her exhibit *Abraham Lincoln's Life & Legacy*. Dawn also received a Large Gold and the Ephemera Society of America Award for her exhibit, *The Jewel City – Postcards of the Panama Pacific International Exposition, San Francisco, 1915* in the NTSS Multi-Frame Competition. Dawn received a Gold in the NTSS Single Frame Competition for her exhibit *Campanulas: Bells of the Garden*.

Dawn & Tomas



Dawn & Ken Martin



Mark Maestroni received the NTSS Single Frame Grand, a Large Gold and the Sports Philatelist International (SPI) Best in Show for the exhibit, *Men's Gymnastics: Dressed to Win*.

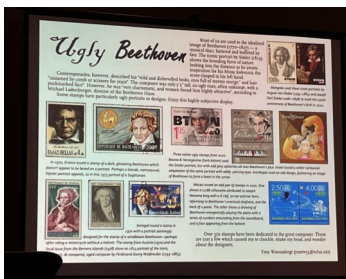
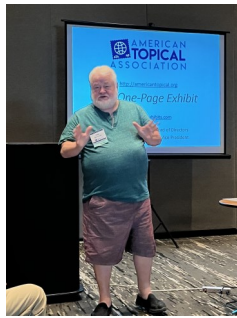
Tomas shared his exhibit with members of SPI



My One Page Exhibit (M1-PE)

On August 27, 2022, at GASS Michele Bresso was an ATA Keynote speaker for “My One Page Exhibit.”

Prior to introducing the speaker, Yme Woensdregt opened the presentation sharing his experience participating in the program. He was thrilled that his “Ugly Beethoven” exhibit, “made it around the world.” It was covered in the AAPE magazine, a Chinese journal, by music philatelists and so much more.



The ATA One Page Exhibit (OPE) program in 2022 had 220 exhibit entries, from 118 exhibitors, from 12 Nations, 21 USA States & Territories. The exhibits can be viewed at [Exhibit Gallery – American Topical Association \(ataexhibits.com\)](https://www.ataexhibits.com)

Michele reviewed in depth four steps to creating an OPE: 1) choose the topic, 2) identify the story, 3) prep the materials and 4) finalize! Exhibitors were reminded to check the guidelines which are posted on:

www.ataexhibits.com/rules-requirements.

Michele encouraged participation and exclaimed, “Exhibiting is fabulous!” The program is open to anyone to participate. There is no judging, just opportunities to learn from each other and a “great way to share knowledge.”

Submissions open on December 15, 2022 for the 3rd annual M1-PE 2023. Submissions close on February 15, 2023 and exhibits will be made available for viewing online March 15, 2023.



Stamps used by Charles V. to mail membership form—uncancelled upon arrival.

2022 Star Route Awards

The APS re-launched the chapter newsletter and website competitions named the Star Route Awards in 2021. Since the mid-1800s, the Star Routes were the most challenging routes in the country to deliver U.S. mail. Congress called for contractors to deliver the mail with “celerity, certainty, and security,” soon replaced with three stars. The APS chapters serve and grow the hobby in those same tough terrains with that same mission.

Submission of Chapter Newsletters and Websites opened on June 8, 2022. The GLHS Journal and Website were entered in the competition on July 3, 2022. After judges evaluate and provide feedback for the newsletter and websites, the results will be announced in October during National Stamp Collecting Month.

CAPEX22 Literature Competition

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.]



Album Easy

AlbumEasy is free software for creating custom stamp album pages. It generates ready to print PDF pages from a text file. Versions are available for download for Windows, Linux and MacOS operating systems.

The website includes video tutorials. There is also a printed manual which can be downloaded. There are also free non-commercial album pages which have been shared by other philatelists. Some have published their albums using Amazon’s self-publishing service and made them available for sale.

If anyone uses it to create album pages for GLHS related topics please share your experience.

<https://www.thestampweb.com/albumeasy>

PONY CARS @ GASS 2022



The United States Postal Service hosted a First Day of Issue Ceremony on Thursday August 25th at 11:00 AM



There were a couple of Pony Cars out on the show floor!



Laurie got GLHS cachets cancelled at the USPS booth every day.

The unveiling..



Scott English, APS



Closing remarks by Stamp Artist Tom Fritz
Photo courtesy of Pablo Valencia



Artist Signed Sheet

GLHS Cachet designed by Pablo Valencia

Creative Designer and Artist Pablo Valencia getting Stamp Artist Tom's signature
Photo courtesy of Pablo

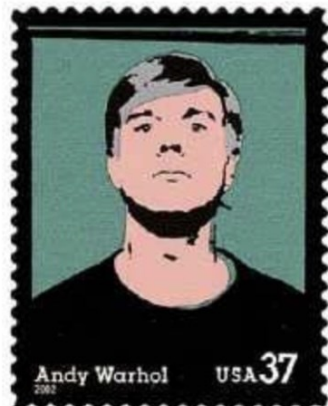
Lisa wiped out on the race track.



A fun 3D Hot Wheels Stamp exhibit (Jay Bigalke) on the show floor.

The Florida Forty Stamper: Warhol - Fifteen Minutes Plus

by Francis Ferguson



Scott no. 3652

Andrew Warhol, born in 1928 to working-class Slovak immigrants, transformed himself into the icon of American Pop Culture, during his highly productive, if not manic existence on this planet. Warhol's influential fingerprints can be found all through advertising and commercial art during the post war 1950s, the socially turbulent 1960s, the seemingly dull 1970s, and continued until his death in 1987.

Warhol showed an early talent for drawing and painting. After graduating from high school he studied commercial art at the renowned Carnegie Institute of Technology in Pittsburgh. Graduation in 1949 found him headed for the bright lights of New York City, where he worked as an illustrator of *Vogue* and *Harper's Bazaar*. His expertise in capturing the right look and image as an illustrator earned him much adoration and success. His reputation opened the doors to socializing in the iconic nightspots of Serendipity 3 and Studio 54, where he was regarded as quiet and shy, but a meticulous observer. He quickly became a standard fixture on the nightlife scene in the city that never sleeps.

In 1962 Warhol opened "The Factory" to facilitate the production of commercial art under his direction. This art studio produced mainly prints, posters, and

countless other items under Warhol's direction, in an atmosphere of barely controlled chaos.

Warhol personality is study in dichotomy. His public persona ranged from painfully shy to extroverted. His often contradictory personality led his friends to nickname him "Drella" – as in a combination of Dracula and Cinderella. Privately, Warhol described himself as a religious person, attending mass regularly. In addition, during the busier times of the year, he was a regular volunteer at the homeless shelters in New York. This had to be a stark contrast to the nightlife scene he was a major part of.

During a social period that found Liberace, Truman Capote, and Paul Lynde tolerated as being just a "little odd", Warhol was obviously gay in his mannerisms and appearance. Yet when publicly pressed, he would be coy and evasive. In the 1950s, he dyed his hair straw-blond; later in life he wore blond or silver-gray wigs. Blending in was not his style. He does, however, write openly of his relationships with several men in *The Warhol Diaries*. To my knowledge none, have ever publicly come forward.

Under Warhol's guidance, Keith Haring and Robert Mapplethorpe became well respected artists. The band "Velvet Underground" with Lou Reed, from the 1960s credits its success from association with Warhol, who provided critical monetary backing and trendy art work.

The list of people from the art & entertainment world that Warhol counted as friends, included Bob Dylan, John Lennon, Yoko Ono, Mick Jagger, Michael Jackson, Brigitte Bardot, Liz Taylor, Marilyn Monroe, and Elvis Presley. The list is almost endless, as Warhol was involved in so many aspects of society and touched many, many people.

Pop art has been massively influenced in countless ways with Warhol's influence. The Campbell Soup Can, and the Coca-Cola bottle have attained cultural icon status because of Warhol's work. Few artists can claim the influence that Warhol commanded.

From Warhol's glib tongue many things spewed forth – the one quote he is most often credited with is the often used, "In the future everyone will be famous for 15 minutes." (I am reminded of this line every time I catch a portion of a reality series on TV)

The intelligent wit of Warhol was silenced too soon in life, when he died from routine gallbladder surgery at the age of 58. His fear of doctors and hospitals ended his life, February 22, 1987. His funeral held at St. Patrick's Cathedral was attended by over 2,000 people from every strata of society.

Until next time, have a great time collecting, and I look forward to hearing from any readers with comments or suggestions. I can be reached at hamp-ton@cfl.rr.com.



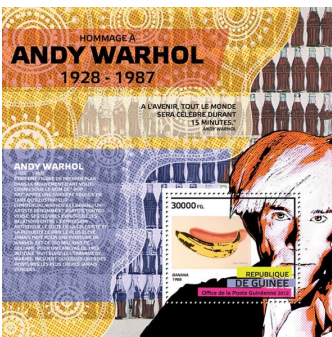
The 37-cent commemorative stamp was issued in a pressure-sensitive adhesive (PSA) pane of twenty on August 9, 2002.

On the selvage is a detail from a photograph taken by Billy Name entitled, "Andy with Self-Portrait, 1967," along with a Warhol quote: "If you want to know all about Andy Warhol, just look at the surface: of my paintings and films and me, and there I am. There's nothing behind it."



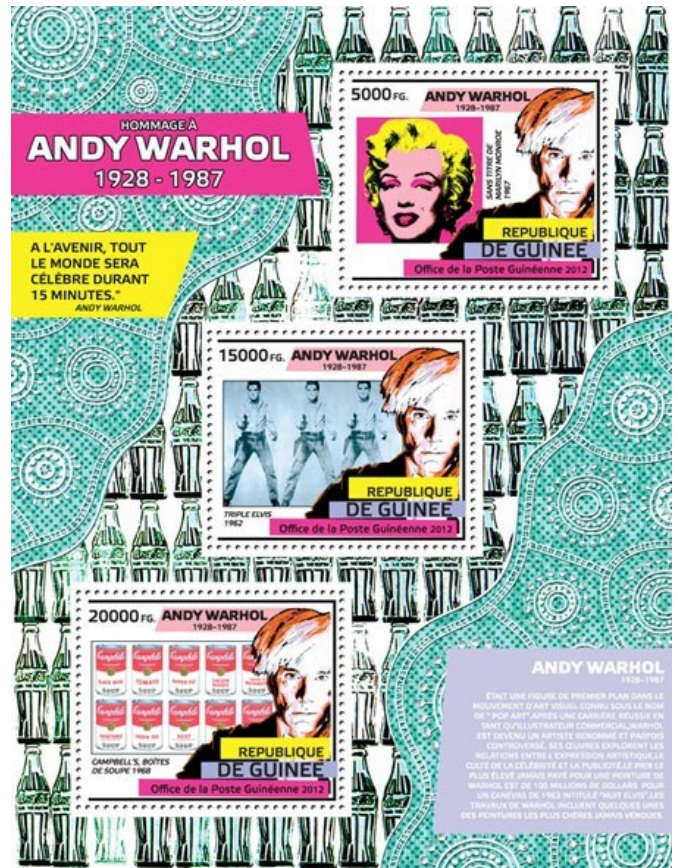
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The story continues:



Republic de Guinee Warhol Stamp Sheet 2012

Various online sources report... "all stamps re-inscribed Somali Republic are considered illegal issues by the Universal Postal Union" (dated 2000 but first seen in 2012)



Limited edition stamp sheet by The Republic of Guinea, 2012

New Issues

By John P. Stefanek

On 14 September 2022, North Macedonia released a stamp commemorating the 400th Anniversary of the Birth of **Molière**.

On 13 September 2022, Australia released a Stamp Pack of twelve stamps celebrating DC Comics, including one stamp featuring Wonder Woman, who was inspired by **Olive Byrne**.

On 12 September 2022, Isle of Man released eight stamps celebrating **David Bowie**: Actor, including one stamp featuring him in the film, *Baal*, which was based on the play by **Bertolt Brecht**.

On 7 September 2022, Finland released a booklet of six stamps celebrating Moomin ABC, featuring characters created by **Tove Jansson**.

On 7 September 2022, New Zealand released six stamps and six souvenir sheets commemorating the 20th Anniversary of the Film, *The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers*, including one stamp and one souvenir sheet featuring Gandalf, portrayed by **Ian McKellen**.

On 2 September 2022, Portugal released four stamps and a souvenir sheet celebrating *The Lord of the Rings* films, including the souvenir sheet selva featuring Gandalf, portrayed by **Ian McKellen**.

On 1 September 2022, Germany released a stamp celebrating Neuschwanstein Castle, built by King **Ludwig II** of Bavaria.

On 30 August 2022, Turkey released two souvenir sheets commemorating the Centenary of the Great Victory, featuring **Mustafa Kemal Atatürk**.

On 29 August 2022, Belgium released a miniature sheet celebrating the Art of Dieric Bouts, including one stamp featuring **John the Apostle**.

On 24 August 2022, Guernsey released six stamps celebrating *The Book of Ebenezer Le Page*. The novel by Gerald Basil Edwards was published in 1981. It was a fictionalized autobiography where-



in the title character never married and experienced one miraculous night of love in all his life when he was curled beside his friend Jim when they were teenagers stranded on a peninsula by high tide. Ebenezer lived his life wanting to be the best friend of someone like Jim, and he became someone's best friend again not long before his death.

On 18 August 2022, the Netherlands released a miniature sheet celebrating Het Loo Palace, which was built for King **William III** of England, Ireland, and Scotland.

In August 2022, Cook Islands released a miniature sheet commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the Accession of Queen Elizabeth II, including one stamp featuring her in a dress designed by **Norman Hartnell** and one stamp featuring her in the coronation gown designed by **Norman Hartnell** in a photograph by **Cecil Beaton**.

In August 2022, Tonga released a miniature sheet commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the Accession of Queen Elizabeth II, including three stamps featuring her in dresses designed by **Norman Hartnell**.

On 11 August 2022, the United Kingdom released new regional definitives, including one stamp for Wales & Monmouthshire featuring a daffodil (**Narcissus**).

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On 1 August 2022, Burundi released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet celebrating Icons of the Twentieth Century: Queen, including one stamp and the souvenir sheet featuring **Freddie Mercury**.

On 1 August 2022, Burundi released a miniature sheet celebrating Icons of the Twentieth Century: Princess Diana, including one stamp with a design partially based on a photograph by **Antony Armstrong-Jones**.

On 25 July 2022, France released a stamp commemorating the Centenary of the Death of **Marcel Proust**.



On 19 July 2022, Australia released a Stamp Pack of twelve stamps commemorating the 30th Anniversary of *Disney's Aladdin*, including one stamp

featuring the character Jafar, whose supervising animator was **Andreas Deja (born 04/01/1957)**. He was born in Poland and moved with his family to Germany. At age eleven, he decided to become an animator after seeing the Disney animated film, *The Jungle Book*. He studied graphic design at the Folkwang Hochschule in Essen and was hired by Disney in 1980. He is probably best known for being supervising animator for some of Disney's memorable villains, including Gaston in *Beauty and the Beast*, Jafar in *Aladdin*, Scar in *The Lion King*, and Queen Narissa in *Enchanted*. He also animated Roger Rabbit, King Triton, Hercules (adult), Lilo Pelekai, Mama Odie, and Tigger. Andreas is openly gay.

On 12 July 2022, San Marino released a stamp commemorating the Centenary of the Birth of **Pier Paolo Pasolini (1922-1975)**. He was a poet, filmmaker, writer, and intellectual, considered one of the defining public intellectuals in



20th-century Italy, influential both as an artist and political figure. He was openly gay and an avowed Marxist. His best-known films include *Accattone*, *Mamma Roma*, and the *Trilogy of Life* films: *The Decameron*, *The Canterbury Tales*, and *A Thousand and One Nights*.

On 7 July 2022, Spain released a variable rate vending postage label commemorating



the 30th Anniversary of **EuroPride**, featuring the **rainbow flag** created by **Gilbert Baker**.

On 1 July 2022, Austria released a miniature sheet celebrating **Hermes (Mercury)**.



On 1 July 2022, Monaco released a stamp commemorating the Christian Louboutin Exhibition at the Grimaldi Forum.

Christian Louboutin (born 1963) was born and raised in Paris. He was expelled three times from school and ran away

from home at the age of 12. He began sketching shoes in his early teens and studied briefly at the Académie d'Art Roederer. He ran away to Egypt and India before returning to Paris to apprentice with Roger Vivier, who claims to have invented the stiletto. He freelanced designs until he opened his Paris shoe salon in 1991 with Princess Caroline of Monaco as his first customer. Shiny, red-lacquered soles have become his signature. Christian's partner since 1997 has been landscape architect Louis Benech.

On 1 July 2022, Switzerland released a stamp commemorating Marriage for All. On 26 September 2021, voters in Switzerland said "yes" to the "Marriage for all" initiative. **Marriage equality** is now law in Switzerland.



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On 1 July 2022, the United Kingdom released eight stamps and a Collector's Sheet commemorating 50 Years of the UK Pride Movement, designed by **Sofie Birkin**. She is a queer British artist currently living in Denver. She creates bold and diverse characters in lively, contemporary, and playful illustrations that aim to empower. She has published two books: *The Art of Drag* and *Sex Ed: A Guide for Adults*.



On 30 June 2022, Poland released a stamp commemorating the Centenary of the Birth of **Miron Białoszewski (1922-1983)**. He studied linguistics

at the clandestine courses of the University of Warsaw during the German occupation and was sent to a labor camp in the Third Reich. After World War II, he worked as a journalist for popular magazines and helped found a small theatre where he acted and premiered his plays. His highly acclaimed memoir, *Pamiętnik z powstania warszawskiego (Memoir of the Warsaw Uprising)* was published in 1970 and translated into English in 1977. In 1982, he was awarded the Jurzykowski Prize. For many years, Miron lived with his partner, painter Leszek Soliński.



On 22 June 2022, Liberia released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 195th Anniversary of the Death of **Ludwig van Beethoven**.

On 22 June 2022, Liberia released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 570th Anniversary of the Birth of **Leonardo da Vinci**, including one souvenir sheet selva featuring **Zeus (Jupiter)** transformed into a swan.

On 22 June 2022, Liberia released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 445th Anniversary of the Birth of Peter Paul Rubens, including one stamp featuring **John the Apostle**, one stamp featuring **Saint Sebastian**, one souvenir sheet selva featuring **Poseidon (Neptune)**, and the other souvenir sheet featuring **Aphrodite (Venus)**.

On 16 June 2022, Brazil released a stamp commemorating the Centenary of Diplomatic Relations with Ireland, featuring *Ulysses* by James Joyce, published by **Sylvia Beach**.

On 14 June 2022, Belarus released a stamp commemorating the 103rd Anniversary of the Health Care Service, featuring the Rod of **Asclepius**.

On 10 June 2022, Togo released a souvenir sheet celebrating Aircraft Carriers, featuring **Abraham Lincoln** in the selva.

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On 10 June 2022, Togo released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the Accession of Queen Elizabeth II, including one stamp and one souvenir sheet selvage featuring her in a dress designed by **Norman Hartnell** and the other souvenir sheet featuring her in the coronation gown designed by **Norman Hartnell**.



On 10 June 2022, Togo released a souvenir sheet commemorating the 105th Anniversary of the End of the Battle of Passchendaele, including a depiction of a portrait of the stunningly handsome Douglas Haig, 1st Earl Haig by **John Singer Sargent (1856-1925)**. He was born in Florence, Tuscany, though his family moved around Europe. Despite receiving little formal education, he grew up highly literate, fluent in four languages, and a keen observer. He would become the leading portrait painter of his generation, creating roughly 900 oil paintings and more than 2,000 watercolors. John was a lifelong bachelor who painted male nudes and some male nude portraits, including that of artist Albert de Belleruche, his likely lover, which hung in John's dining room.

On 10 June 2022, Togo released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 445th Anniversary of the Birth of Peter Paul Rubens, including one stamp featuring **Aphrodite (Venus)**, **Adonis**, and **Eros (Cupid)**, one stamp featuring **Aphrodite (Venus)** and **Hermes**

(Mercury), one souvenir sheet featuring **Aphrodite (Venus)**, and the other souvenir sheet featuring **Heracles (Hercules)**.

On 10 June 2022, Togo released a miniature sheet celebrating Famous Impressionists, including one stamp featuring the work of **Frédéric Bazille (1841-1870)**. He was born in Montpellier, Hérault, Languedoc-Roussillon (now Occitania), France, and moved to Paris to study medicine and painting. He met Renoir and Sisley and began painting full-time after failing his medical exam. His best-known work is *Family Reunion*, painted in 1867-68. He joined a Zouave regiment shortly after the outbreak of the Franco-Prussian War and died a few months later at the Battle of Beaune-la-Rolande. Frédéric never married, always seemed to have an excuse for his failed attempts at heterosexual romance, and had his most intimate relationships with men. His *Bathers (Summer Scene)* displayed homoerotic interest.

On 10 June 2022, Togo released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 115th Anniversary of Scouting, including one stamp, one souvenir sheet, and the other souvenir sheet selvage featuring **Robert Baden-Powell**.

On 5 May 2022, Sierra Leone released a souvenir sheet celebrating German Trains, featuring Neuschwanstein Castle, built by King **Ludwig II** of Bavaria, in the selvage.

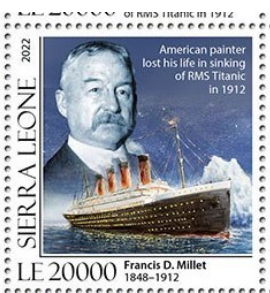
On 5 May 2022, Sierra Leone released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 30th Anniversary of the Death of **Marlene Dietrich**.



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On 5 May 2022, Sierra Leone released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 75th Anniversary of the Birth of **Elton John**.

On 5 May 2022, Sierra Leone released a miniature sheet commemorating the Destruction of the



Painting, *La Circassienne au Bain*, on RMS *Titanic*, including one stamp featuring **Francis Davis Millet (1848-1912)**. He was born in Matapoisett, Massachusetts, and served as a drummer boy,

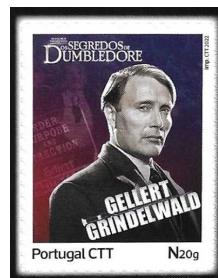
then surgical assistant during the Civil War. After graduating from Harvard, he worked for the *Boston Courier* before entering the Royal Academy of Fine Arts in Antwerp, Belgium. He was decorated by Russia and Romania for bravery under fire and services to the wounded while a war correspondent during the Russo-Turkish War of 1877-78. He was a trustee of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, sat on the advisory committee of the National Gallery of Art, was among the founders of the School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, and was involved with the American Academy in Rome from its inception. Though Francis married and had four children, he had an affair with Charles Warren Stoddard and he lived in a close relationship with Archibald Butt.

On 25 April 2022, Djibouti released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 40th Anniversary of the Death of Grace Kelly, including one stamp featuring her in a dress designed by **Edith Head** from the film, *Rear Window*, which was based on a story by **Cornell Woolrich** and the souvenir sheet featuring her in a costume designed by **Edith Head** from the film, *To Catch a Thief*.

On 25 April 2022, Djibouti released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 195th Anniversary of the Death of **Ludwig van Beethoven**.

On 25 April 2022, Djibouti released a miniature sheet commemorating the 290th Anniversary of the Birth of Joseph Haydn, including one stamp featuring **Ludwig van Beethoven**.

In April 2022, Portugal released a licensed booklet of eight stamps celebrating the film, *Fantastic Beasts: The Secrets of Dumbledore*, including



one stamp featuring **Albus Dumbledore**, portrayed by Jude Law, and one stamp featuring **Gellert Grindelwald**, portrayed by Mads Mikkelsen. *Harry Potter* author J. K. Rowling revealed in a featurette that Albus and Gellert's "relationship was incredibly intense. It was passionate, and it was a love relationship." In the film, Albus described their time together as "the summer Gellert and I fell in love."

On 5 April 2022, Mozambique released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 570th Anniversary of the Birth of **Leonardo da Vinci**.

On 5 April 2022, Mozambique released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 165th Anniversary of the Birth of **Robert Baden-Powell**.

On 30 March 2022, Djibouti released two souvenir sheets commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the Death of Princess Diana, including one label featuring a dress designed by **Hardy Amies** and one label with a design based on a photograph by **Antony Armstrong-Jones**.

On 30 March 2022, Djibouti released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 165th Anniversary of the Birth of **Robert Baden-Powell**.

On 30 March 2022, Djibouti released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 115th Anniversary of the Birth of **Frida Kahlo**.

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On 30 March 2022, Djibouti released a miniature sheet commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, including one stamp featuring work by **Thomas Eakins** and one stamp featuring cypress trees (**Cyparissus**).

On 25 March 2022, Guinea released a miniature sheet commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the Death of Princess Diana, including one stamp featuring **Elton John**.

On 25 March 2022, Sierra Leone released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 195th Anniversary of the Death of **Ludwig van Beethoven**.

On 25 March 2022, Sierra Leone released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 450th Anniversary of the Birth of **Caravaggio**.

On 25 March 2022, Sierra Leone released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 570th Anniversary of the Birth of **Leonardo da Vinci**, including one stamp featuring **John the Apostle**.

On 25 March 2022, Sierra Leone released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 445th Anniversary of the Birth of Peter Paul Rubens, including one stamp featuring **Aphrodite (Venus)** and one stamp and the souvenir sheet selva featuring **Aphrodite (Venus)** and **Eros (Cupid)**.

On 25 March 2022, Sierra Leone released a miniature sheet and two souvenir sheets commemorating the 115th Anniversary of the Birth of **Frida Kahlo**.



On 25 March 2022, Sierra Leone released a miniature sheet commemorating the 20th Anniversary of the Introduction of the Euro, including one stamp featuring a coin depicting work by **Leonardo da Vinci**.

On 15 March 2022, Niger released a miniature 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** featuring her in the coronation dress designed by **Norman Hartnell**.

On 15 March 2022, Niger released a miniature sheet commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the Death of Princess Diana, including one stamp with a design partially based on a photograph by **Antony Armstrong-Jones**.

On 15 March 2022, Niger released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 165th Anniversary of the Birth of **Robert Baden-Powell**.

On 15 March 2022, Niger released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 90th Anniversary of the Birth of Elizabeth Taylor, including one stamp and the souvenir sheet

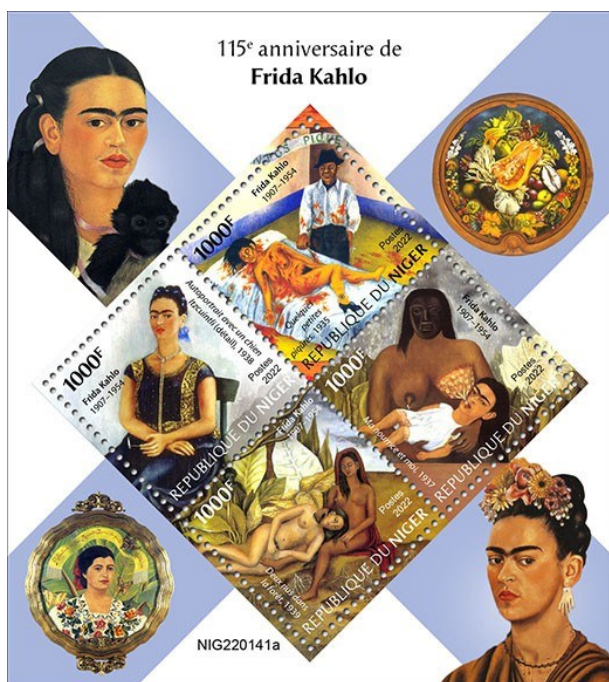
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selvage featuring her wearing costumes designed by **Irene Sharaff** from the film, *Cleopatra*.

On 15 March 2022, Niger released a souvenir sheet commemorating the 40th Anniversary of the Death of Grace Kelly, including the selvage featuring her in a costume designed by **Edith Head** from the film, *Rear Window*, which was based on a story by **Cornell Woolrich**.

On 15 March 2022, Niger released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 445th Anniversary of the Birth of Peter Paul Rubens, including one stamp featuring **Aphrodite (Venus)**, **Adonis**, and **Eros (Cupid)** and the souvenir sheet selvage featuring **Dionysus (Bacchus)**.

On 15 March 2022, Niger released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 115th Anniversary of the Birth of **Frida Kahlo**.



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March 2022, Niger released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 570th Anniversary of the Birth of **Leonardo da Vinci**.

On 15 March 2022, Niger released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 225th Anniversary of the Birth of **Franz Schubert**.

On 15 March 2022, Niger released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 195th Anniversary of the Death of **Ludwig van Beethoven**.

On 25 February 2022, Central African Republic released a miniature sheet commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the Death of Princess Diana including one stamp with a design partially based on a photograph by **Antony Armstrong-Jones**.

On 25 February 2022, Central African Republic released a souvenir sheet celebrating Nude Paintings, featuring **Aphrodite (Venus)** in the selvage.

On 25 February 2022, Central African Republic released a miniature sheet commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, including one stamp featuring work by **Caravaggio**.

On 25 February 2022, Central African Republic released a miniature sheet and a souvenir sheet commemorating the 570th Anniversary of the Birth of **Leonardo da Vinci**, featuring **Zeus (Jupiter)** transformed into a swan in the souvenir sheet selvage.

On 30 November 2021, Central African Republic released a miniature sheet commemorating the 220th Anniversary of the Birth of **Vincenzo Bellini**.

On 30 November 2021, Central African Republic released a miniature sheet celebrating **Leonardo da Vinci**, including one stamp featuring **Zeus (Jupiter)** transformed into a swan.



Posted on GLHS FB July 13: Bryan shared; Just added this to my "rainbow flag" collection and haven't seen it mentioned before. Uruguay issued a set of stamps about Cruise Ships in 2016. The bottom left stamp has a rainbow flag and says "Montevideo Diverse City".

