

BNAPEX 2014 BALPEX Exhibition Prospectus
Baltimore Hunt Valley Inn Wyndham affiliate
245 Shawan Road, Hunt Valley, MD USA 21033
August 29-31, 2014

Exhibition Rules and Regulations

Who may enter: Only Members in good standing of the British North America Philatelic Society (BNAPS) may enter exhibits in the BNAPS National Competitive Classes 2, 3 and 4. Court of Honour (Class 1) exhibits are by invitation only.

What may be entered: Philatelic material mailed within and from British North America, i.e. Canada, its pre-Confederation Provinces and Territories. All entries must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor. NB: An exhibit of philatelic material mailed to British North America from other countries **MAY** be acceptable. Please first consult the Exhibit Committee.

Exhibit Classification: BNAPS National Competitive Exhibit Classes

Class 1: Court of Honour Exhibits (by invitation only)

Class 2: Competitive Multi-Frame Exhibits

Class 3: Competitive One – Frame Exhibits

Class 4: Youth (21 years or younger as of January 1, 2014)

Exhibitors will initially be limited to a maximum of one (1) entry in Class 2 and a maximum of one (1) entry in Class 3. Entries in Class 2 shall consist of not less than two frames (32 pages) nor more than eight frames (128 pages). (No exceptions to the 8-frame limit will be allowed.) Entries in Class 3 shall consist of one frame only. All entries must consist of complete frames of 16 (8.5" × 11") pages or equivalent if oversized material is included. A **separate** entry form plus **eight (8)** copies each of the title /plan page and synopsis are required for each exhibit. Exhibit pages must be in transparent page protectors, ideally closed on three sides, and numbered on the back in sequential order to aid in the correct mounting of the exhibit. The Exhibit Committee reserves the right to place exhibits in the frames according to its own plan. No entry that has received a previous BNAPEX Grand Award may compete in Class 2. Note: Single frame exhibits on closely related subjects submitted by the same exhibitor may be treated as a multi-frame exhibit at the discretion of the jury.

Jury: Three or four experienced judges, all members of BNAPS, will be appointed by BNAPS. Non-voting apprentice judges may also be appointed. The judges' decisions as to awards will in all cases be final. No officiating judge may enter a competitive entry in the exhibition. Classes 2, 3 and 4 will be judged at a National level (BNAPS). Any exhibit may be reclassified at the discretion of the judges. **Special Note for BNAPEX 2014 BALPEX: Unless so indicated on the Exhibit Entry Form, Exhibits submitted by BNAPS members will also be judged by the BALPEX Jury under APS rules, with separate awards.**

Insurance & Liability: The exhibitor is solely responsible for all insurance for the exhibit described on the entry form. The host committee will provide security for the exhibits during the time they are on display or in the hands of the committee. By submitting an exhibit application the Exhibitor is agreeing not to hold the Baltimore Philatelic Society, the British North America Philatelic Society, BNAPEX 2014 BALPEX, the Baltimore Hunt Valley Inn, nor any of the volunteers, members, committees, officers, or employees of above organizations liable for any loss or damage to this exhibit of any kind or for any reason whatsoever.

Entry: Entries will be accepted on a “first come, first served” basis. Per the **BNAPS Convention Exhibit Frame Limits (rev. January 2014)** **the number of frames allocated to each exhibit will be confirmed at the end of the Initial Acceptance Period.** Entry forms (one per exhibit) should be submitted as soon as possible after receipt in BNA Topics and **MUST** be accompanied by **eight (8)** copies each of the Exhibit Title/Plan page and Synopsis. No exhibit will be accepted **unless the prescribed entry fee has been received in full.**

Entry Fees: Adult Exhibits (two or more frames) - \$US 10.00 - per frame
Adult One Frame Class – \$C/US 10.00 - per frame
Youth – No charge per frame.

Entry package: Must be sent by post office mail or courier (not by email) to:

**BNAPEX 2014 Exhibits Committee,
c/o Jeffrey Arndt, 4121 Marble Lane, Fairfax VA 22033 USA**

together with your cheque or money order in US funds only made out to “BALPEX 2014”. All entries will be acknowledged, but that does not constitute acceptance for exhibition unless so stated. Additional entry forms may be photocopied, requested from the committee or found on the BNAPEX 2014 website.

Delivery: Exhibits not delivered in person or by proxy must be received by the Exhibits Committee at the above address before August 22, 2014. Please indicate method of delivery on the entry form. All exhibits being delivered in person to the **Baltimore Hunt Valley Inn** should be brought for exhibit mounting **Thursday August 28 between the hours of 4 pm and 7 pm.** Late arrivals can be accommodated between **8 am and 9 am on Friday morning if advance notice is given.** The Exhibit opens and judging begins at 10 am Friday morning.

Return: The Exhibition **will close at 3 pm on Sunday, August 31.** The BNAPS Awards Banquet is Sunday evening, August 31, beginning at 7 pm. For security reasons no exhibit or part thereof may be dismantled before the close of the exhibition and until all visitors have cleared the exhibit area. Exhibitors, or their authorized agents, must present proper proof of identity to obtain the exhibits from the Exhibition Committee. Exhibits not claimed in person will be returned by Express/Courier at the expense of the owner as soon as possible after the close of the exhibition. (Registered Mail is no longer an option.) Prepayment and return instructions must be enclosed with the entry form. Please allow sufficient time for processing before making inquiries.

Special Notes for BNAPEX 2014 BALPEX: 1) Exhibits will be judged by both the BNAPS and BALPEX Juries under their respective rules and practices unless the appropriate box on the Exhibit Entry Form is ticked. 2) The BALPEX Awards Banquet will be held Saturday evening, August 30. The BNAPEX registration fee does **NOT** include the BALPEX banquet. BNAPS exhibitors wishing to attend the BALPEX banquet should so indicate on the Exhibit Entry Form and submit the necessary fee.

Authority: Any and all questions that may arise concerning the Exhibition, which are not provided for by the prospectus, Rules and Regulations, other than Jury decisions, shall be decided by the BNAPS Exhibition Committee in its sole and absolute discretion.

Questions: Questions should be directed to Jeffrey Arndt at the address above or by email to: <arndt123@aol.com>