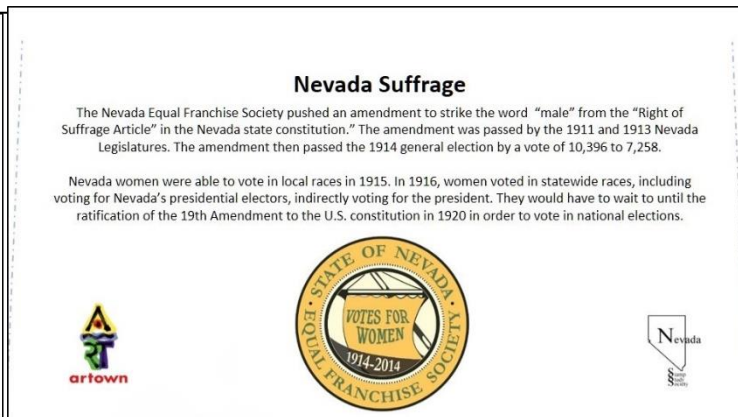


2020 "Greater Reno Stamp & Cover Show" Show Covers

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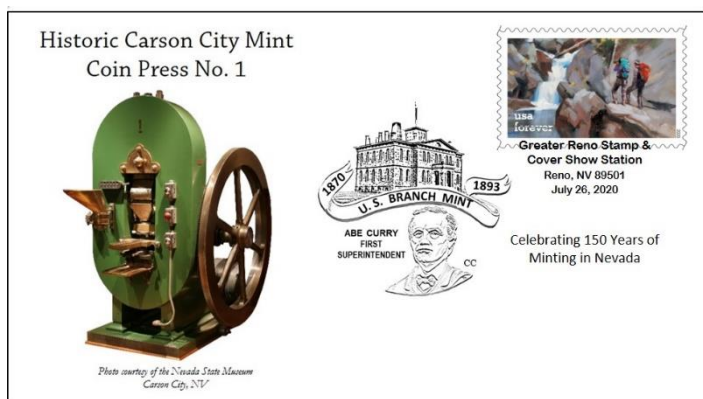
It's that time of year for the Nevada Stamp Study Society to be making final preparations for the Greater Reno Stamp & Cover Show. Or at least it should have been the time for making final preparations. Unless you have "Van Winkle Affliction," you know that stamp shows across the U.S., across the world, in fact, have been canceled or postponed in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The GRS&CS, scheduled for July 25th and 26th at the National Bowling Stadium, fared no better. With so many uncertainties, the club reluctantly pulled the plug on the show at its May 23rd meeting.

However, even though the show has now been canceled, the special pictorial postmarks had already been submitted and approved by the U.S. Postal Service. The club has decided to produce a show cover for each day as originally planned.



Mock-up of the cover with special cancel

The July 25th show cover (above) celebrates the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment and includes a special pictorial cancellation with the Gwen Ifill stamp issued Jan. 30, 2020, along with a brief history of women's suffrage in Nevada.



Mock-up of the cover with special cancel and info on Coin Press No. 1.

The July 26th show cover (above) celebrates "150 Years of Minting in Nevada." It also includes its own special pictorial cancellation with one of the "Enjoy the Great Outdoors" stamps issued June 13, 2020, at Incline Village, NV, along with a brief history of Coin Press No. 1 and the Carson City Branch Mint. The minting cancellation is based on the design of special commemorative medallions issued by the Nevada State Museum.

The covers will be available for purchase for \$2 each. Please include a SASE with your order. Email President@RenoStamp.Org with the subject "2020 Show Covers" for more information about purchasing show covers.