

Arizona National Stamp Show Report

February 16-18, 2024

By Tom Reyman, Show Chairman

Since this was our first stamp show, we didn't know exactly what to expect. The venue worked well at the Holiday Inn Mesa. The Phoenix Philatelic Association and the Mesa Stamp Club provided the help need to have a successful show.

We had very good attendance. Our guess was that we would have 250 to 300 people, but we had about 440 attendees over the three days. Almost all the dealers reported that they did well with most well over their expenses.

The 50 frames of exhibits were great and received a lot of positive comments. It was a "people's choice" show and one club member provided excellent awards from the shows where he won awards (Native American pottery, and Asian vases). I even won two awards for my exhibits.

The dealers liked the venue especially because it had carpeted floors and great lighting. Many said that they would be glad to return next year to the same place.

It is a little too soon to talk about next year's show, but we know we can put on a better show, maybe even have room for 3-4 more dealers and 12 more frames at the same location. The date of the 2025 show is Feb. 14-16, 2025. A block of 30 rooms is reserved for show attendees.



Tom Reyman with one of his exhibits.



The exhibit awards table.

Exhibit frame for Legends of the West