BTA ONE FRAME COMPETITIONS
@South of England Stamp & Postcard Fair, 11th October

Our annual competitions are changing!

What has changed?
- We will now accept scanned exhibits from anybody (previously only from overseas entrants) as well as normal entries.
- We have simplified entry procedures.
- We will accept display entries, if you do not want to compete.

What hasn't changed?
- The classes, guidelines and scoring systems, except they will not apply to display entries.
- The competition will still be held at the South of England Stamp Show in October.
- Basking in the glory of winning a trophy and getting a diploma and feedback.

Will this encourage you to enter?   We hope so and remember you are not expected to attend the South of England show to enter.

Our Classes:
- Thematic Philately (the winner receives the BTA Cup)
- Open Philately (the winner receives the John Fosbery Trophy)
- Picture Postcards (the winner receives the Brian Sole Trophy)
- Entries for these classes are subject to the National Rules and Regulations for the relevant class.
- Championship Class for previous winners in any class (Rules and Regulations are on the BTA website)

Additional rules for all classes
- Every exhibit must have an Introductory Page as the first sheet and all pages should be numbered at the foot of the page. Entries which are not scans must be in protectors.
- Scanned entries should be 300-400 dpi jpg format
- Previous winners of the Thematic, Open and Picture Postcard classes cannot enter the same exhibit in the same class in future competitions.

AWARDS. The Minimum points required to achieve LARGE GOLD level is 90.

For Gold level is	85	For Silver level is	65
For Large Vermeil level is	80	For Silver Bronze level is	60
For Vermeil level is	75	For Bronze level is	55
For Large Silver level is	70	For Certificate of Participation below	55

MARKING Thematic Philately – BTA Cup

Treatment	Title and Plan	15	
	Development	15	
	Innovation	5	35
Knowledge, Study & Research	Thematic	15	
	Philatelic	15	30
Condition and Rarity	Condition	10	
	Rarity	20	30
Presentation		5	
TOTAL		100	

MARKING Open Philately – John Fosbery Trophy

Treatment	Title & Plan	10	
	Treatment	20	30
Knowledge and Research	Philatelic	20	
	Non-philatelic	15	35
Material	Condition	10	
	Rarity	20	30
Presentation		5	
TOTAL		100	

MARKING Picture Postcard Class - Brian Sole Trophy

Idea, Plan and Treatment of the Topic	Idea and Plan	10	
	Treatment	20	30
Knowledge and Research			35
Condition and Rarity	Condition	10	
	Rarity	20	30
Presentation		5	
TOTAL		100	

Judging will be carried out by Federation and/or National-level qualified judges.

To enter:
Please send a 'notification of entry' e-mail to competitions@britishthematic.org.uk.
with the following information:
- Your name
- Title of entry or entries
- Class or classes you wish to enter, and
- How you intend to pay your entry fee(s) – see below.

You may submit more than one entry.

Deadlines
1. 'Notification of entry' e-mail by 24th September.
2. Scanned entries should be submitted to competitions@britishthematic.org.uk by 1st October.
3. Original entries that cannot be delivered to the South of England Stamp and Postcard Fair should be posted to Andrew Millington, Flat 4, 87 Shurdington Rd., Cheltenham, GL53 0J; to arrive by 1st October.
4. Original entries which can be taken to the South of England Stamp and Postcard Fair should be delivered to the competition organiser by 10.00 am, 11th October.

If you are sending original material to exhibit we advise your exhibits are insured as the BTA bears no liability for your material.

Entry fees
£10 per competitive entry
£5 per display entry.

Payment can be made by:
BACS to British Thematic Association, Sort Code 40-03-29, Account 71157701 from a UK bank account;
or
Cash at the Show;
or
PayPal if you live overseas.

More information about this year's show can be found at
https://www.sussexphilately.org.uk/2024_South_of_England_Stamp_Fair.php