



## Share Your Stamp Stories!

**Freestyle Philately** is a new initiative that provides a friendly space for sharing your favourite stamp stories at Canadian stamp shows.

### Who can participate?

Anyone who has something they would like to share with other collectors and the public at a stamp show: stamps, covers, postcards – anything philatelic. You can also include related non-philatelic material. The sky's the limit!

### How to participate?

Arrange your items on one or more pages and write something about them – for example, tell us why you like them, what do they commemorate, how and where did they travel through the mail? You can include philatelic and/or non-philatelic information. The items and text can be formatted any way you like.

You can submit one letter-sized page (8.5×11 inches) or the equivalent of up to 8 letter-sized pages. Other page sizes can be used (for example, double-width 11×17 inches, square 11×11 inches). Insert your page(s) into clear sleeves to protect your items.

### What will happen at the show?

Submitted pages will be mounted in frames for public viewing during the show. There will be no judging.

A time slot will be scheduled in the program for Freestyle Philatelists who wish to interact with visitors at the displays. A facilitator will also be present during this time to answer any questions participants may have about practical aspects of their displays.

If you have thought about exhibiting but don't know where to start, this is a great opportunity to get friendly feedback and advice in a no-pressure setting.

### Why participate?

Sharing is one of the greatest joys of our hobby. Take this opportunity to share something you love from your collection. Let us know what you like to collect – you may find others with the same interests.

Most importantly, have fun!