



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

MEPSI

Dedicated To The Study And Advancement Of The Philately Of México

The Elmhurst Philatelic Society began in 1935 as a local stamp club for general collectors. In 1942, the membership made a decision to share a specialized collecting interest. After substantial study and deliberation, the postal issues of Mexico were chosen as the common collecting interest to coalesce EPS members. Mexico was chosen because it had the greatest number of collectable varieties of any country in the world. That is as true today as it was then.

In 1970, our name was modified to Mexico-Elmhurst Philatelic Society, International or MEPSI, a non-profit organization incorporated in the State of Illinois. The decision to specialize in Mexico has resulted in an international society of Mexico collectors numbering over 600 members in the United States, Mexico and twenty other countries. MEPSI is internationally recognized and consulted as the source of specialized

information regarding all aspects of Mexican philately. The Society's research, discoveries and recommendations are regularly incorporated into most catalogs and philatelic reference.

MEXICANA MEPSI's award winning quarterly journal handbooks, library and expertization service; and various other member services will enhance your knowledge and enrich your explorations in all areas of Mexican philately. As a MEPSI member, you will join a community of serious philatelists with divergent interests and fields of study, united by a common bond - Mexico.

MEPSI and its members participate in many major philatelic events nationally and internationally. The Society presents Gold, Silver and Bronze awards at specific shows for exhibits on the philately of México.

MEMBER SERVICES

MEXICANA is MEPSI's quarterly journal. It contains authoritative articles authored by Society members and by experts in all aspects of Mexican philately. All MEPSI members are encouraged to contribute to *MEXICANA*.

MEPSI holds Society sponsored auctions of Mexican philatelic material. The auctions are usually by mail and are scheduled twice yearly. These auctions are open to Society members only and commissions are reasonable.

The MEPSI Expertization Committee provides expertization of specialized Mexico material with photographic certificates of authenticity by the world's foremost authorities on the stamps of Mexico.

The MEPSI membership directory is published every third year. It lists members of the Society, their membership numbers and collecting interests by mailing address.

Our library is available only to members and contains everything from rare books and research papers on Mexican philately to clipping files of articles on philately.

Local chapters of MEPSI are chartered in several locations. Generally, local chapters meet regularly and share knowledge on the subject of Mexican philately. Five MEPSI members are required to initiate a local chapter charter.

MEPSI publishes handbooks on many aspects of Mexican philately. Publications are available to members at reduced rates. Study groups of members with common interests are formed to research various specialties.

Circuit books are available for purchasing material needed for your collection. These are distributed via email. Those not having email can still access the program through surface mail.

I hereby apply for membership in Mexico-Elmhurst Philatelic Society International.

First	Initial	Last
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Address _____

City	State	ZIP
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Country _____ Collecting Interests _____

REFERENCE REQUIREMENT:

I authorize you to verify the commercial references listed, and, if necessary, to obtain a current credit report upon receipt of this application.

I agree to be bound by the constitution and bylaws of the Society and the Philatelic Code of Ethics. Dues for one calendar year (Which includes a subscription to Mexicana) are enclosed with this application. It is understood that upon receipt of satisfactory references and dues, my name will be published as an applicant in the next available issue of Mexicana. I will at that time be eligible to participate in Society Auctions.

Not later than 45 days following publication, full membership shall be approved or denied by the membership committee. Attainment of membership will be acknowledged in the subsequent issue of Mexicana with publication of my name, address and membership number. I will then be eligible to participate in MEPSI elections, utilize Society library services and other Society benefits. Should my application for membership be denied, my dues payment will be refunded.

Commercial Reference:

Visa, Master Card or other commercial reference (Credit Card, please provide name of issuing bank or agency only)

DO NOT GIVE ACCOUNT NUMBERS

Mailing Address for Commercial Reference

Applicant Signature

Applicants under the age of 18 must provide the signature of their parent or guardian

Are you a member of any philatelic organization? _____ Which one? _____

Have you ever been expelled from, or denied admission to, any philatelic organization? () Yes () no

If yes, submit a separate page of explanation.

MEPSI Recommendation

I hereby recommend the applicant for membership in MEPSI.

Name _____ # _____

Please provide your email address. Note if you do not wish it published.

Email _____ Telephone _____

FEE Schedule:

Dues are \$35.00 per calendar year. Dues for junior memberships (under age 18) are \$15.00 per year.

Checks, in U. S. funds, should be made payable to: Mexico-Elmhurst Philatelic Society, International

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION – 01/04/2012 - Supersedes all others. Fee schedule expires on December 31, 2012