



THE LIBERTY SERIES

Issue Date: March 22, 1958
City: Cleveland, Ohio

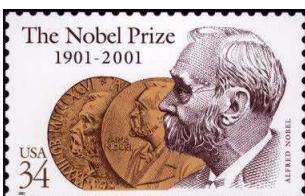
Issued to replace the 1938 Presidential series, this patriotic set of stamps honors guardians of freedom throughout U.S. history. Eighteenth century America is represented by Revolutionary War heroes and statesmen such as Washington, Jefferson, Franklin, Hamilton, Henry, Jay, and Revere. Leaders of the 19th century including Monroe, Lincoln, Lee, Harrison, and Susan B. Anthony make an appearance. The 20th century is represented by Teddy Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson, and General Pershing. The Liberty Series also features famous locations important to America's democratic history, such as Bunker Hill, Independence Hall, and the Alamo.



DUCK DECOYS

Issue Date: March 22, 1985
City: Shelburne, Vermont

This block of four 22¢ stamps depicting duck decoys was issued in the Folk Art Series, which already included the block of four Quilts stamps issued in 1978 and the block of four Pennsylvania Toleware stamps issued in 1979.



THE NOBEL PRIZE

Issue Date: March 22, 2001
City: Washington, D.C.

Alfred Nobel held 355 different patents, dynamite being the most famous. He owned Bofors, which he redirected from its previous role as primarily an iron and steel producer to a major manufacturer of cannon and other armaments. In 1888, one of his brothers died and a newspaper erroneously ran an obituary about Alfred instead, titled, "The merchant of death is dead." Nobel was horrified to think that he would be remembered that way and sought to improve his legacy. This inspired him to establish the Nobel Prize. He placed his fortune into a trust that would establish the awards after his death. He died from a heart issue and a stroke on December 10, 1896. According to Nobel's will, the awards would be given, with no regard to nationality, "...to those who, during the preceding year, shall have conferred the greatest benefit on mankind" in the fields of physics, chemistry, physiology or medicine, literature, and peace. The Bank of Sweden funded an additional award for economics in 1968. The first Nobel Prizes were awarded December 10, 1901, the fifth anniversary of Nobel's death. This is my favorite "birthday stamp."

STAMPS ISSUED ON MY BIRTHDAY!

Submitted by Don Neal



ANDREW JACKSON

Issue Date: March 22, 1963
City: New York, New York

The 1963 1¢ Regular Issue stamp depicts our nation's seventh President, Andrew Jackson. This portrait was taken from a presidential medal designed by Mortiz Furst and struck by the U.S. Mint in 1829. This stamp was also issued as a rotary press coil, perforated 10 vertically. Although he had already appeared on two 2¢ confederate stamps, Jackson was not honored with a stamp by the U.S. Post Office until 1863, when a 2¢ stamp was issued. Other stamps bearing Jackson's image were issued in 1873 (2¢), 1883 (4¢), 1894 (3¢), 1903 (3¢), 1938 (7¢), and 1967 (10¢). In addition, he appeared on three commemorative issues. These were the 1937 3¢ Army Issue, the 1946 3¢ Tennessee Statehood Issue, and the 1961 5¢ Battle of New Orleans Issue.



"E" STAMP

Issue Date: March 22, 1988
City: Washington, D.C.

Following the USPS's announcement that the first-class letter rate would change to 25¢, the non-denominated "E" stamp was issued. Responding to unfavorable comments concerning the "drab" appearance of the previous non-denominated issues, the Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee decided to link the stamp subject to the letter E. Shown from a moon's -eye view, the dramatic "Earth" design appears almost three dimensional. Printed in sheet, coil, and booklet form, this issue provided a colorful and attractive stamp with a popular topical theme - space.



STAR RIBBON

Issue Date: March 22, 2019
City: Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois

The Postal Service issued the Forever® (55¢) Star Ribbon stamp to meet the needs of business mailers. The artwork features a digital illustration of a star made of red, white, and blue ribbon. The white space in the middle of the ribbon creates a second smaller star. The tri-colored ribbon, folded into a patriotic symbol, is intended to evoke the connectedness of the American people. The stamp was sold in coils of 10,000 and in panes of 20.