

“Philatelics and Stamp Collecting More than just a hobby, it’s an experience.”



Philately is the art of studying and collecting stamps and postal stationery.

There are numerous advantages to this popular hobby which appeals to people of all ages.

Philately:-

- ✦ Encourages systematic collection.
- ✦ Enriches knowledge in any given way field
- ✦ Turns learning into fun
- ✦ Provides collectors with snapshot of the world
- ✦ Can give you your own art gallery
- ✦ Becomes an invaluable asset through time

TTpost issue three type of stamps, namely Definitive, Commemorative and Stamp Booklets, to appeal to the stamp collectors.

Definitive Stamps:

- ✦ issued for day-to-day stamp usage
- ✦ Printed in large number
- ✦ Life span of 7 years

Commemorative Stamp:

- ✦ Specially designed stamps celebrating personalities and events of National or International important.
- ✦ Printed in limited quantities and never re-produced.

Stamp Booklets:

- ✦ Shares the characteristics of Definitive stamp
- ✦ Self-adhesive for ease of use
- ✦ Comes in booklets of 10 unique stamp

Stamps are tiny ambassadors that create great awareness of the unique and varied nature of our society.

Past issues Includes:

- ✦ Chinese Arrival Bicentenary (1806-2007) Issue – History
- ✦ Tobago Heritage Festival Issue-Culture
- ✦ Brian Charles Lara 400 Issue, Boscoe Holder Issue –Heroes
- ✦ Flora and Fauna Issue – Social and Environment landscape



For the perfect gift item, TTPost also offers custom-made Philatelic frames!



The Lady McLeod was a paddle steamer and a private local post. The ship sailed regularly between Port of Spain and San Fernando, on Trinidad Island, now in Trinidad and Tobago from the end of 1845 until 1854. The private local post ran during the same time with the use of postage stamps on its mail from April 1847.

The ship was christened in homage of the Governor Sir Henry McLeod's wife and began its Port of Spain–San Fernando route in November 1845. The 60-ton, 40 hp, steamer was bought by Turnbull, Stewart & Co. In 1846, David Bryce bought it and let it some years later to a San Fernando consortium.

Postage stamp The private local post of the Lady McLeod began as soon as its service started in November 1845. There were two rates: a monthly subscription of one dollar, or ten cents per letter.

In April 1847, Bryce decided to introduce stamps that were sold individually for 5 cents, or for 4 cents if bought by the hundred. The Lady McLeod only transported letters bearing stamps, or pre-paid mail of the subscribers. The imperforated stamp's illustration was a white ship on a blue background, with the initials "LMc L" printed underneath. Lithographically printed, the stamp was cancelled by a cross drawn by hand or by ripping up a corner.

Stamp Issues

WELCOME TO THE MAIN STAMP SECTION

In the following pages you will be able to browse through our complete list of available stamps and related philatelic items such as First Day Covers, Presentation Packs and Miniature Sheets.

You may search our complete product range by Themes or Year. Alternatively, you can quickly peruse the list of Bestsellers or New Releases.

On the right hand side of your screen you can choose which years or themes to view.

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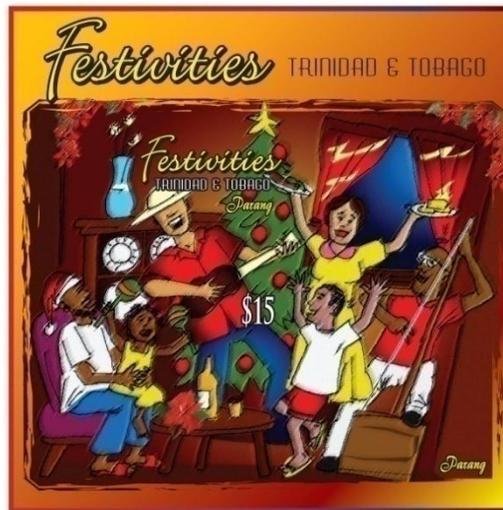
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- Brian Lara
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- Soca Warriors
- DreamScape
- Local Herbal Medicine
- CHOGM
- Flora and Fauna
- Ole Time Mas

Festivities



The theme, Festivities, was approved by the Philatelic Committee in December of 2009 and portrays the festivals celebrated the four major religions in our island state. Each of these religions, Spiritual Baptist, Hindu, Muslim and Christianity has contributed significantly to the richness and vibrancy of our unique cultural mélange and heritage.

The images depicted on the four stamps highlights a central feature of each of the religions:

- ✦ Shouter Baptist Day - Practicing Baptists who were interviewed have suggested that the most important symbol of their faith is the Bell, and they specified that it was usually a wooden handle bell. Thus this was used as the focus of the illustration, silhouetted by put the subtle figures of the dancing woman behind.
- ✦ Diwali –The focus of this illustration was the dyea themselves. Nothing is more indicative of this festival than the dyea with its flame glowing. This small earthen lamp reflects an ancient design and has been an integral part of Diwali celebrations for centuries. To this day, the ancient lighted dyea symbolises the triumph of light over darkness. The colours of this illustration were carefully chosen to compliment the culture and vibrancy of this festival.

- ✦ Christmas - The Nativity: We went with a very local flavour in this illustration. The 'Trini' holy family is situated in tropical surroundings. This portrayal captures the look and feel of the Caribbean.

- ✦ Eid - For illustration member of the Trinidadian Muslim Community were interviewed, including an Imam. The image focuses on a Man praying while kneeling, palms upwards, as is customary.

- ✦ Parang - On the souvenir sheet, the Festivities theme culminates in the portrayal of a, festive activity, that nowadays, all 'Trinibagonians' participate in- the Parang. Nothing says 'Trini Christmas' quite like the Parang. The scene depicts a family get together, welcoming a group of visiting Paranderos. It was felt that this Illustration captures the atmosphere of celebration, joy and warmth that pervade our 'Trini' Festivals.

- ✦ The First Day Cover (FDC) presents a collage of the central icons of each religious festival and captures the vibrancy of our cultural heritage.

Cadet Force

The Trinidad and Tobago Cadet Force is a Voluntary Youth Organization that acquires its membership from secondary schools. The main objective of the Cadet Force is to train and inspire young men and women to be model citizens. Emphasis is placed on instilling in the Cadet qualities such as discipline, loyalty and duty.

The issue focuses on the evolution of the Cadet Force, highlighting images of the Force since its inception. Included are images of the Queen's Royal and St. Mary's Units, which were the first of the units to be established by the then Governor Sir George Ruthven Le Hunte in 1910.

The Corporation's Philatelic Committee took great pleasure in including this Stamp Issue in its 2010 Philatelic program. We felt that it afforded us the opportunity to recognize an institution that has been training and inspiring the young men and women of Trinidad and Tobago to be model citizens for over a century, instilling in them, and the Cadet qualities such as discipline, loyalty and duty.

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If you are interested in purchasing any of our philatelic items you may contact us directly. Our Contact Details are provided below:

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Port of Spain

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