

Third International Symposium on Analytical Methods in Philately

13-15 October 2017 at The Royal Philatelic Society London

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The first International Symposium on Analytical Methods in Philately was held in 2012 and was a great opportunity for philatelists to meet, hear papers on many interesting subjects, and get hands-on experience with equipment in the Smithsonian National Postal Museum laboratory in Washington DC. The second International Symposium on Analytical Methods in Philately was held in 2015 in Chicago. For the third Symposium, the IAP has decided to move the venue from North America to Europe, with The Royal Philatelic Society London hosting the events at 41 Devonshire Place in London.

This third symposium on will be held from 13 to 15 October and is co-sponsored by the Institute for Analytical Philately, Inc., the RPSL Ltd Expert Committee and the Smithsonian National Postal Museum.

The symposium will commence on the Friday with demonstrations of technical equipment and a visit to the premises of the RPSL Ltd Expert Committee. The thirteen technical presentations addressing how forensic analysis is applied to solve philatelic problems will be given on the Saturday and Sunday, and will be chaired by Chris Harman, chairman of the RPSL Ltd Expert Committee.

The Three-Day Program of the Third Symposium on Analytical Methods in Philately

HOURS	ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBLE
Friday 13 October 10:00 am to 4:00 pm		
	Open house at The Royal Philatelic Society London	
	Open house at Expert Committee	
11:00 am	Presentation: <i>The Work of the RPSL Ltd Expert Committee</i>	Christopher G. Harman RDP HonFRPSL
	Demonstrations of Technical Equipment	Invited exhibitors
2:00 pm	Afternoon Tea	
3:00 pm	Presentation: <i>Software for the Color Analysis and Classification of Postage Stamps</i>	John Cibulskis
4:00 pm	Opening Ceremony	RPSL President
	Institute of Analytical Philately	IAP President
		John Barwis FRPSL

HOURS	ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBLE
Saturday 14 October 09:00 am to 5:00 pm		
09:00 am	Symposium Proceedings	
	Introduction	IAP President John Barwis FRPSL
	Symposium Concept and Technical Information	Jonas Hällström RDP FRPSL
	Key Note Speech: <i>Beware The Certainties Of Science</i>	Christopher G. Harman
10:00 am	Coffee Break	
10:20 am	<i>Impact of Technical Analyses on Greene Foundation Expertising</i>	Ted Nixon
11:10 am	Break	
11:20 am	<i>A Versatile Comparison of Stamps by High Resolution Image Differencing</i>	Bob Mustacich
12:00 pm	Lunch Break	
1:00 pm	<i>Forensic Philately in 2020 ~ Challenges & Opportunities</i>	Paul Leonard
1:50 pm	Break	
2:00 pm	<i>The Use of Tonal Histograms for the Study of Stamp Shades</i>	Tim Lyerla
2:50 pm	Break	
3:00 pm	<i>Ink Study of the Gambia 2½d Perforated Cameos of 1880-1897</i>	Gary Wayne Loew
3:50 pm	Break	
4:00 pm	<i>Non-destructive Analyses: Creating Standards for Imperial Brazilian Stamps from a Case Study of Cottens Essays</i>	Fernando M. Santos
4:50 p:m	Symposium to be adjourned until Sunday	Jonas Hällström
5:00 pm	Wine and Nibbles	
Sunday 15 October 09:00 am to 3:00 pm		
09:00 am	Symposium Proceedings	Romeu Natale
	<i>The Colours in the Ordinary Stamps of Brazil in the Early Twentieth Century, 1906-1917</i>	
09:50 am	Coffee Break	
10:10 am	<i>Chemistry of Aniline inks, 2-cent Admiral Issues of Canada</i>	Richard Judge
11:00 am	Break	
11:10 am	<i>The Colours of the Germany Crown and Eagle Series</i>	John Cibulskis
12:00 pm	Lunch Break	
1:00 pm	<i>Ink Chemistry of the US 1870-78 24-cent Purple Issues</i>	Harry Britain & John Barwis
1:50 pm	Break	
2:00 pm	<i>Exploring Colour Mysteries in the US Large and Small Numeral Postage Due Stamps using X-ray Fluorescence Spectrometry</i>	Harry K. Charles
2:50 pm	Symposium to be closed	Christopher G. Harman & John Barwis
3:00 pm	End	

The meeting on Friday 13 October will be conducted as an open house addressing all RPSL Fellows, Members and their Guests plus all registered delegates. The presentations and discussions on Saturday-Sunday 14-15 October are open only to pre-registered delegates. The venue will support a limited attendance, so advanced registration is imperative to ensure a seat. A registration fee of £100 will cover refreshments and lunches at the venue, and should be paid in advance through the IAP website: www.AnalyticalPhilately.org; select **SYMPOSIA** at the top of the screen, and follow the prompts.

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