

**BEST MAXIMUM CARD WORLD COMPETITION
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**CONCOURS MONDIAL DE LA MEILLEURE
CARTE MAXIMUM 2013**

1.- ALAND



TITLE: YELLOW WATER-LILY (*Nuphar lutea*)

CREATOR: Mrs. Kerttu Ekhholm

STAMP: Issue: June 4, 2013. For: Water Lilies in Åland's lakes

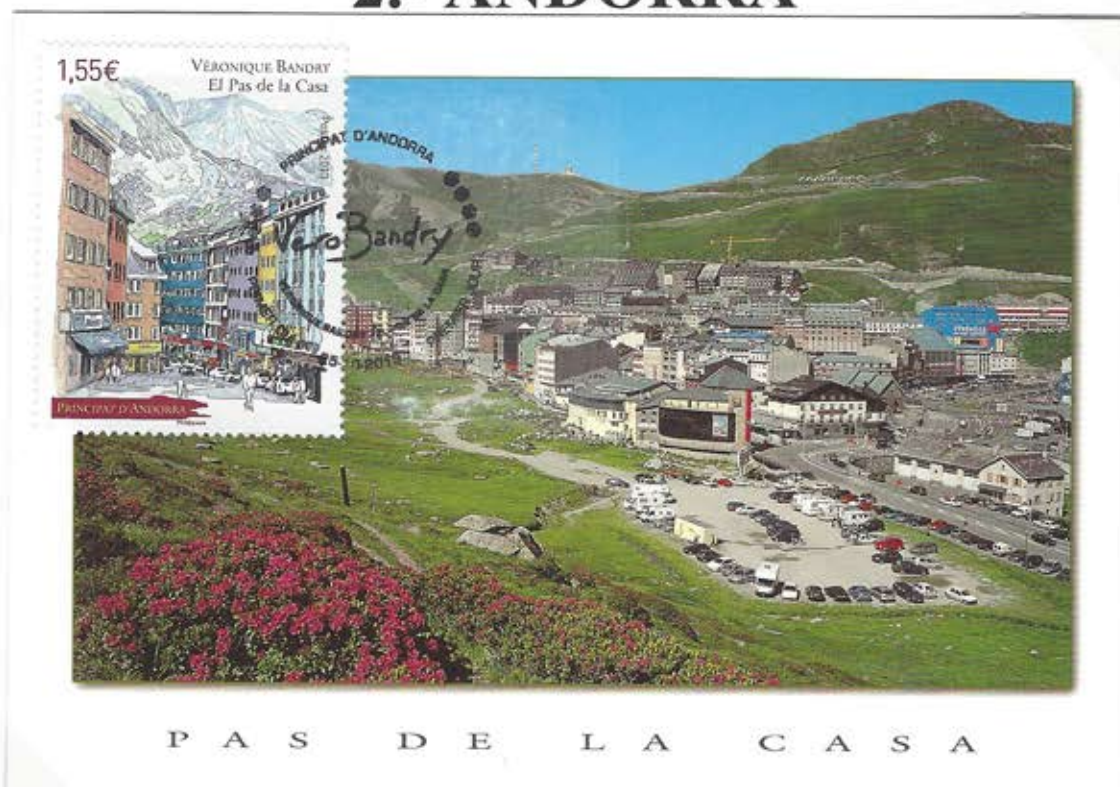
CARD: Kuva Marja-Lisa Pitkaenen/Luontopelli, Finland

CANCEL: First Day, Mariehamn, concordant illustration (Water-Lily)

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2.- ANDORRA



TITLE: **PAS DE LA CASA - VALLS D' ANDORRA**

CREATOR: Les Maximaphiles Francais

STAMP: Issue: Oct. 23, 2013. For: Painting by *Veronique Bandry*.

CARD: As de Coeur, Principat d'Andorra

CANCEL: First Day, Principat d' Andorra, special mention and illustration

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3.- ARMENIA



TITLE: THE FAMILY by Ara Bekarian (1913-1986)

CREATOR: Sedrak Nersesyan

STAMP: Issue: Nov. 25, 2013. **For:** Paintings from the National Gallery

CARD: Armenian Comm. Edition, 2012

CANCEL: First Day, Yerevan, special illustration (Nat. Gallery).

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4.- AUSTRALIA



TITLE: QUEEN ELIZABETH II
WEARING THE IMPERIAL STATE CROWN

CREATOR: Daryl Kibble

STAMP: Issue: April 9, 2013. **For:** 60th Anniversary of her Coronation
CARD: Pitkin Pictorial Postcards, London, Lo12/73/30, (Photo: Cecil Keaton, taken on Coronation Day: June 2, 1953). **CANCEL:** First Day, Elizabeth SA, concordant illustration: *Imperial State Crown* (triple)

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5.- AUSTRIA



TITLE: **MADONNA AND CHILD WITH SAINTS**
CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA & JAMES THE GREAT AND AN ANGEL
1527-28 by Lorenzo Lotto (1480 – 1556). Kunsthistorisches Museum, Vienna
CREATOR: Cesare Rialdi
STAMP: Issue: Sept. 26, 2013. For: Old Masters series
CARD: Universal Postcards, Italy
CANCEL: First Day, Vienna, special mention '*LORENZO LOTTO*',
concordant illustration (triple).

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6.- BELGIUM



TITLE: TEA IN THE GARDEN (LE THE AU JARDIN)

Painting by *Théo van Rysselberghe* (1862-1926),

Musée communal d'Ixelles

CREATOR: Gaston Lefebvre/The Belgian Maximaphiles

STAMP:Issue: Apr.15, 2013. For: Paintings by *Théo van Rysselberghe*

(set of 10 different paintings). **CARD:** Commune d'Ixelles, Brussels

CANCEL:First Day, Brussels, special mention '*THEO VAN RYSELBERGHE*'
(painter's name) and illustration (painter's signature).

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7.- BRAZIL



TITLE: **STATUE OF CHRIST THE REEMER**
(28TH WORLD YOUTH DAY – RIO 2013)

CREATOR: Agnaldo de Sousa Gabriel

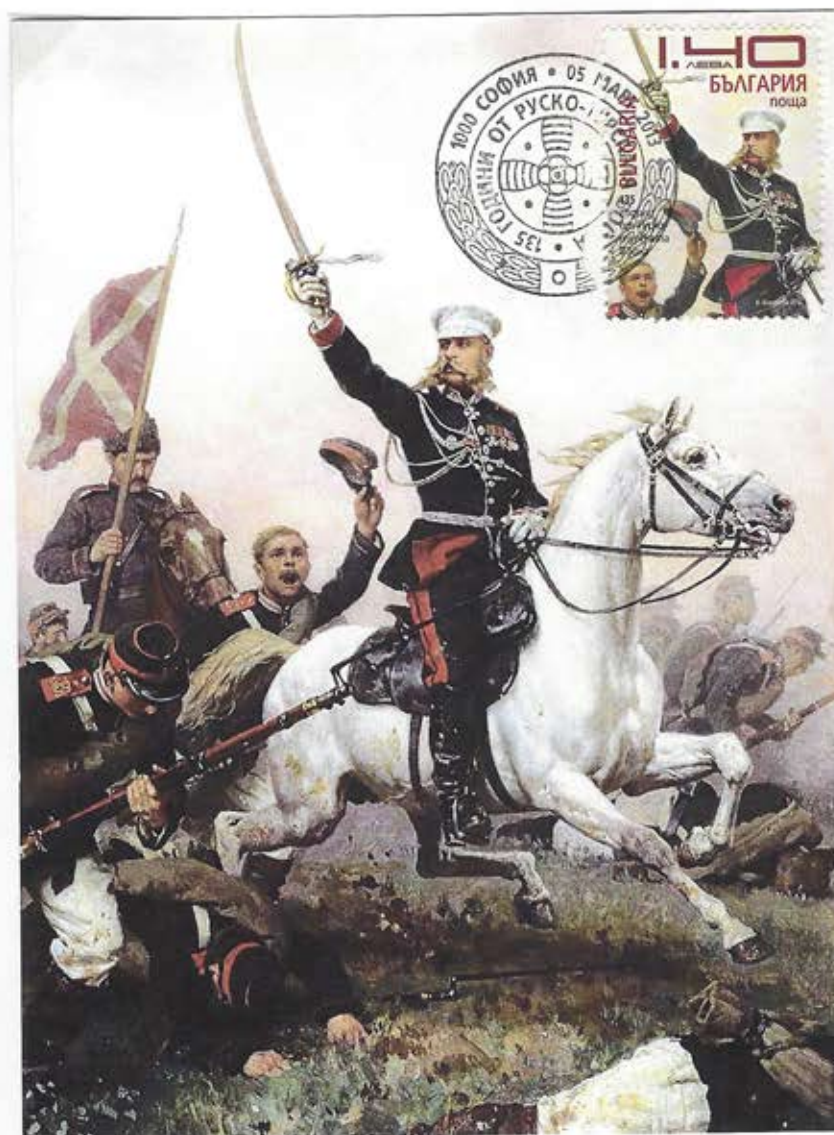
STAMP: Issue: Mar. 23, 2013. For: World Youth Day – Rio 2013

CARD: EDICARD Editura Cultural, Sao Paulo, nr. M500-12

CANCEL: First Day, Rio de Janeiro, special mention: 'JMJ - Jornada Mundial de Juventude', concordant illustration (triple).

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8.- BULGARIA



TITLE: GENERAL M.D. SKOBELEV ON HORSE

Painting by *Nikolai Dmitriev Ozenburgski*, 1883

CREATOR: Sergei Magdichev

STAMP: Issue: Mar. 5, 2013. For: Joint Issue with Russia - 135th Anniversary of Russian -Turkish War of 1877-1878.

CARD: Bulgarian Commercial Edition

CANCEL: First Day, Sophia, special mention and illustration

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9.- CANADA



TITLE: BLACK BEAR CUBS

CREATOR: Terry Watson

STAMP: Issue: Jan. 14, 2013. For: Indigenous Baby Wildlife

CARD: Grizzly Bear Prints, Terrel, nr. D.S. -908

CANCEL: First Day, Ancaster ON, special illustration (Bear-pow)

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10.- CHINA



TITLE: ANCIENT TOWN QIANTONG - LIANGFANG GATE

CREATOR: Li Hong

Qiantong Old Town (Ninghai county, Zhejiang province), lies on the southern reaches of the Yangtze River. It was established in the *Song* Dynasty and came to prominence in the *Ming* Dynasty. *Qiantong* residents have managed to preserve over 1,300 examples of the original *Ming* (1368-1644) and *Qing* (1644-1911) dynasties-style houses, ancestral halls, memorial archways and pavilions. Long wooden signs hang off the eaves of many buildings. Above the *Liangfang* Gate there are exquisite carvings hinting at the elaborate skill of yesteryear.

STAMP: Issue: May 19, 2013. For: China's Renowned Historic & Cultural Towns. CARD: Ningbo, Zhejiang, Guomai Postal Advert. Co. Ltd.

CANCEL: First Day, Qiantong, Ninghai, Zhejiang, regular

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11.- CHINESE TAIPEI (*Taiwan*)



TITLE: TAWNY FISH OWL (*Ketupa flavipes*)

CREATOR: Ho-lin Chen

STAMP:Issue: June 26, 2013. For: Protected Species in Taiwan

CARD: Taiwan Comm. Edition (Photo by *Allan Hopkins*)

CANCEL:First Day, Taipei, concordant illustration (triple)

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12.- COSTA RICA



TITLE: STRAWBERRY POISON DART FROG

(Dendrobates pumilio)

CREATOR: Galeria ATM-Ateeme

STAMP:Issue: Aug. 23, 2013. For: Costa Rica's Nat. Parks

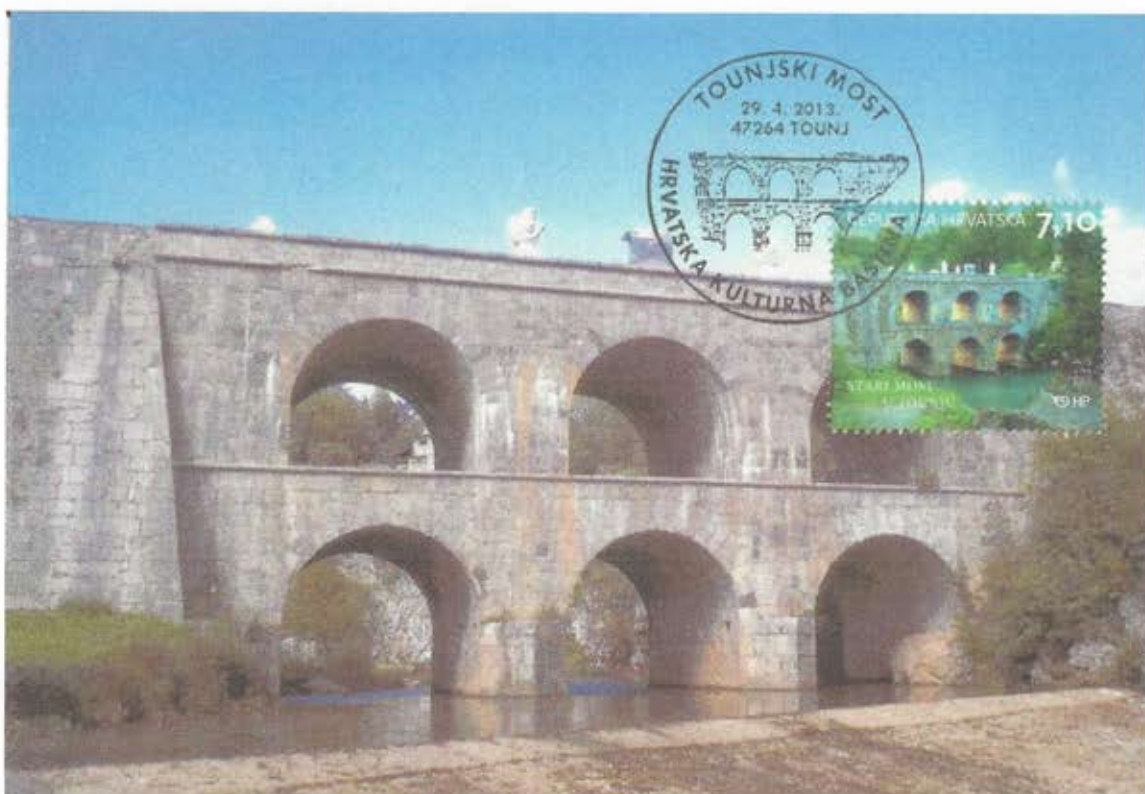
CARD: J.M. TARJETAS SA, Costa Rica (Photo: *Adrian Hepworth*)

CANCEL:First Day, Braulio Carrillo, special mention : '*PARQUES NACIONALES*', concordant illustration (triple).

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13.- CROATIA



TITLE: OLD BRIDGE IN TOUJN

CREATOR: Miroslav Krnic

STAMP: Issue: Apr.29, 2013. For: Croatian Cultural Heritage Sites

CARD: Croatian Comm. Edition

CANCEL: First Day, Tounjski Most, special mention 'HVARSKA KULTURNA BASTINA', concordant illustration (triple)

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14.- CYPRUS



TITLE: YOUNG SCOUTS

CREATOR: Nicos Rangos

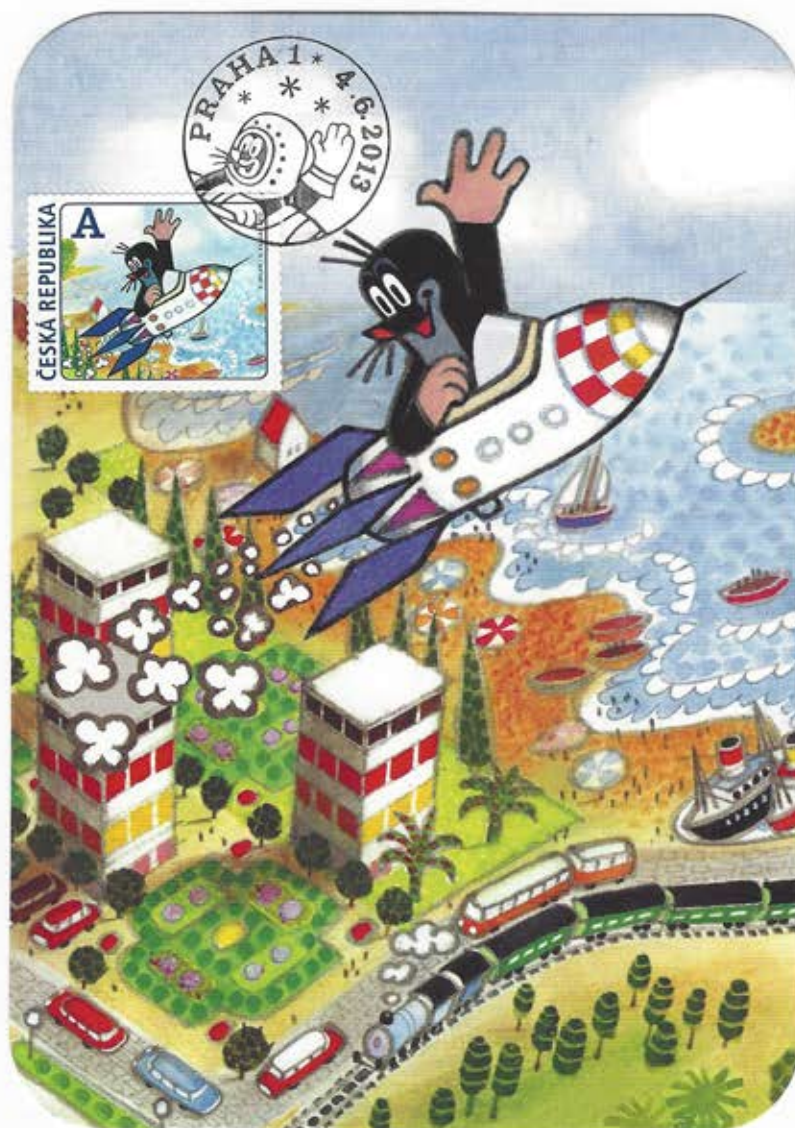
STAMP: Issue: Jan. 30, 2013. For: Centenary of Cyprus Scouts Association

CARD: Cyprus Post, Nicosia, 2012

CANCEL: First Day, Cyprus, special illustration

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15.- CZECH Rep.

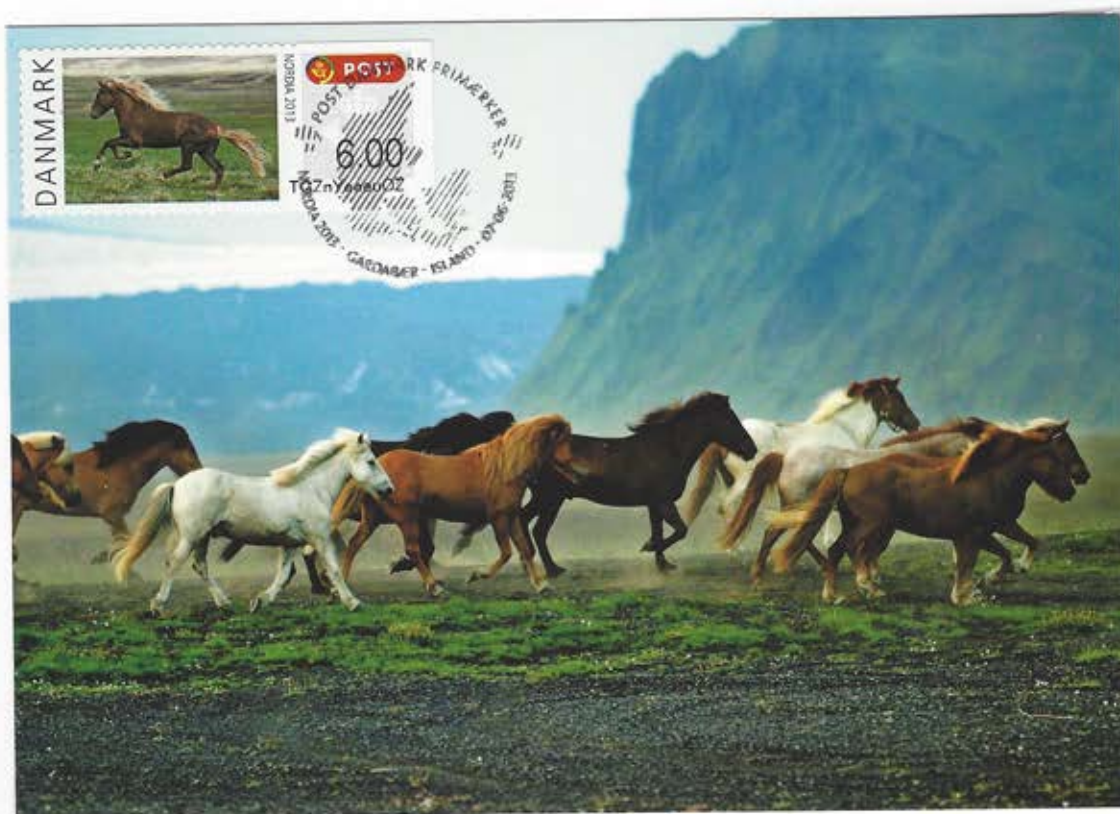


TITLE: THE MOLE AND THE ROCKET - CHILDREN'S CARTOON
by Zdeněk Miler (1921-2011), creator of the popular '*The Mole or The Little Mole*' Cartoon Character. **CREATOR:** Pavel Kancnyr
STAMP: Issue: June 4, 2013. For: Annual series 'For Children'
CARD: Albi, Czech Rep. nr. 94669
CANCEL: First Day, Prague, concordant illustration (triple)

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16.- DENMARK



TITLE: THE ICELANDIC HORSE

CREATOR: Galerie ATM - Ateeme

STAMP: Issue: June 7, 2013. For: NORDIA 2013 - Stamp Exhibition

CARD: SULA, Iceland, nr. 0013 (Photo by *Vilhelm Gunnarsson*)

CANCEL: Post Danmark, First Day, Gardaraer, special illustration

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17.- ESTONIA



TITLE: GREY PARTRIDGE (*Perdix perdix*)

CREATOR: Eesti Post

STAMP:Issue: Mar. 7, 2013. For: Estonian Fauna

CARD: Eesti Post, nr. 90/2013

CANCEL: First Day, Tallinn, special mention 'NURMKANA', concordant illustration (triple)

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18.- FAROE ISLANDS



TITLE: POSTAL VEHICLE

CREATOR: Faroe Post

STAMP: Issue: Apr. 29, 2013. For: Europa 2013 – Postal Vehicles

CARD: Posta Faroe, Europa 2013

CANCEL: First Day, Thorshavn, special illustration

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19.- FINLAND



TITLE: **ANGRY BIRDS** (World's first official Angry Birds stamps, featuring six of the popular game characters (5 birds and 1 pig). The designer of the stamps is *Toni Kysenius*, Art Director at Rovio Entertainment; to ensure authenticity, the stamps feature a pattern which is only visible under UV light.)

CREATOR: Mrs. Kerttu Ekholm

STAMP: Issue: Sept. 9, 2013. For: Environment - Clouds

CARD: Putinki Oy, Helsinki, nr. AB 21

CANCEL: First Day, Helsinki, special illustration (Stars)

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20.- FRANCE



TITLE: LA CATHEDRALE NOTRE-DAME D' AMIENS

CREATOR: Les Maximaphiles Francais

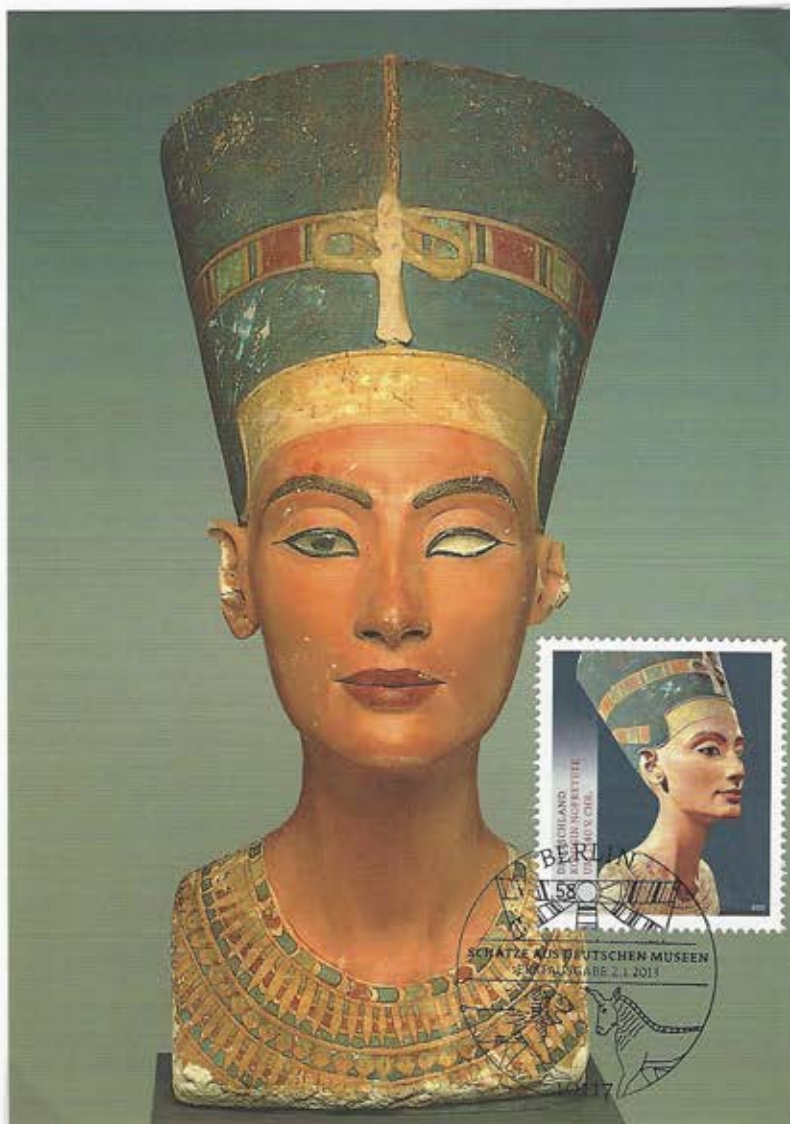
STAMP: Issue: May 17, 2013. For: 86e congrès de la FFAP

CARD: Edition de Flore-Image, Croix , nr. 8027-212

**CANCEL: First Day, Amiens, special illustration and mention:
'86 CONGRES DE LA F.F.A.P. - AMIENS'**

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21.- GERMANY



TITLE BUST OF QUEEN NEFERTITI

Aegyptischen Museum, Berlin

CREATOR: Juergen Noll

STAMP: Issue: Jan. 2, 2013. For: Treasures from German Museums

CARD: Aegyptischen Museum, Berlin, nr. 326 D (Photo by *Margarete Buesing*). **CANCEL:** First Day, Berlin, special illustration and mention: 'SCHATZE AUS DEUTSCHEN MUSEEN'

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22.- GIBRALTAR



TITLE: HAWKER HURRICANE (Designed by Sydney Camm)

87 SQUADRON 'Maximus Me Metuit'

CREATOR: Terry Watson

STAMP: Issue: Mar. 25, 2013. **For:** Royal Air Force Squadrons II

CARD: Pomegrenade CA, Warbirds series, (Photo by *Mike Haberlin*).

CANCEL: First Day, Gibraltar, special illustration and mention:
'RAF SQUADRONS II'.

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23.- GREAT BRITAIN



**TITLE: CORONATION of QUEEN ELIZABETH II
WITH IMPERIAL STATE CROWN**

CREATOR: Ian Billings

STAMP: Issue: June 2, 2013. For: 60th Anniversary of Coronation

CARD: Vintage, Raphael Tuck & Sons, London nr. C2,

**CANCEL: First Day, Westminster Abbey (exact place), London, special
illustration (Sovereign's Orb with the Cross)**

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24.- GREECE**



**TITLE: MT. OLYMPUS SUMMIT
ABODE OF THE 12 OLYMPIAN GODS**

CREATOR: Union Collectionneurs Grecs des CM

STAMP:Issue: July 20, 2013. For: 100th Anniversary of reaching the summit of Mt. Olympus. On Aug. 2, 1913, Swiss *Frédéric Boissonnas* and *Daniel Baud-Bovy*, aided by *Christos Kakalos*, a herder of wild goats from Litchoro, were the first to reach Olympus's highest peak Mytikas. Actually the first of the three to reach the summit was *Christos Kakalos*. **CARD:** Union Collect. Grecs des CM, nr. 6-2013/4. **CANCEL:**First Day, Litchoro (birthplace of *Kakalos*), special mention: '100 years since the 1st climb on Mt. Olympus', concordant illustrat. (triple)

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25.- GREENLAND



TITLE: POLAR BEAR

CREATOR: Post Greenland

STAMP: Issue: June 11, 2013; Joint issue with Israel.

For: Vulnerable Species of the Arctic and the Desert.

CARD: Post Greenland, nr. G510, (Photo by *Olivier Gilg*)

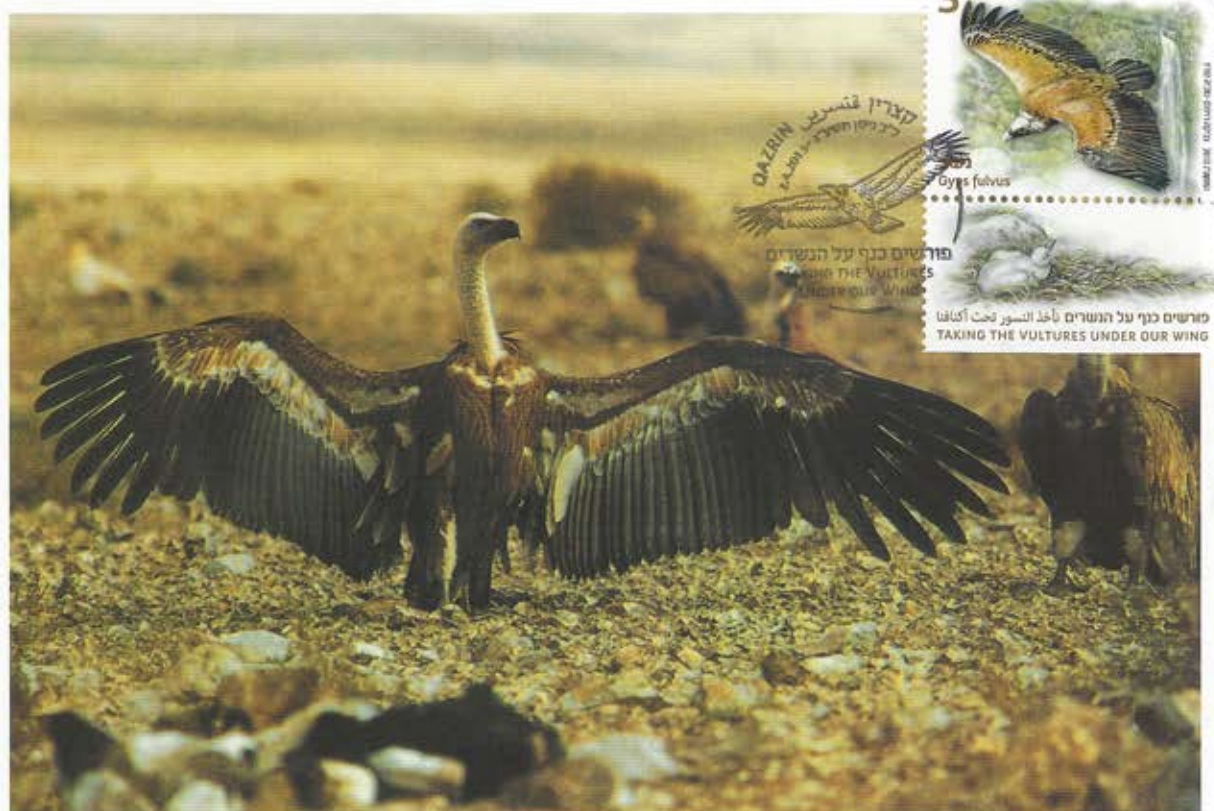
CANCEL: First Day, Tasiilaq, special mention, concordant illustrat. (triple).

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26.- ISRAEL

GRIFFON VULTURES



TITLE: GRIFFON VULTURES (*Gyps fulvus*)

CREATOR: Mayer Gozes

STAMP: Issue: Apr. 2, 2013. For: Endangered Species

CARD: Palphot Ltd, Israel, nr. 02438SC (Photo by Y. Eshbol)

CANCEL: First Day, Qarzin, special mention 'TAKING THE VULTURES UNDER OUR WING', concordant illustration (triple)

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27.- ITALY



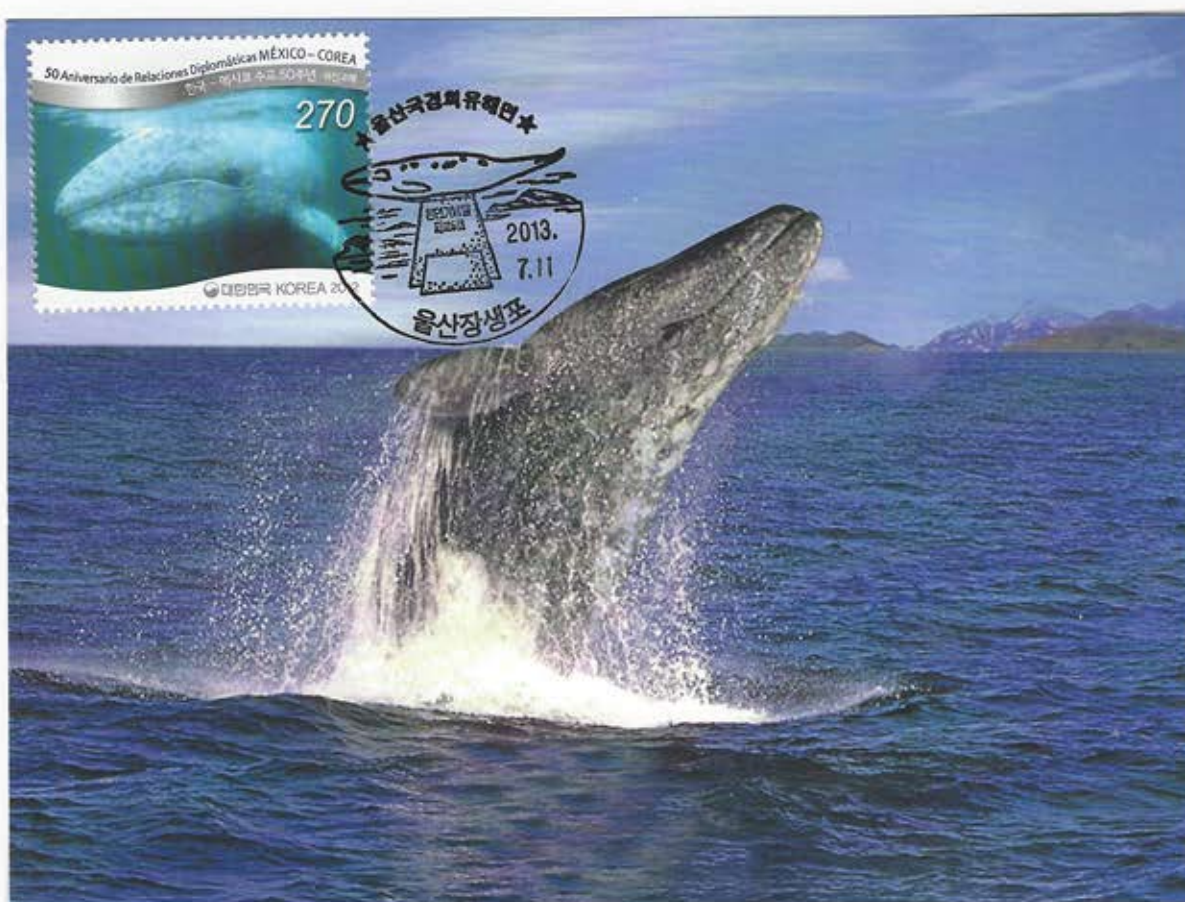
TITLE **MOLE ANTONELLIANA, TORINO**

A *mole* in Italian is a building of monumental proportions. The **Mole Antonelliana** is named after the architect who built it, *Alessandro Antonelli*. Construction began in 1863, soon after Italian unification, and was completed in 1889, after the architect's death. Originally conceived of as a synagogue, it now houses the *Museo Nazionale del Cinema*, and is the tallest museum in the world. CREATOR: A.I.M. (Italian Max. Ass.)
STAMP: Issue: Nov. 30, 2013. For: Artistic & Cultural Heritage.
CARD: Vintage Postcard, undivided back. CANCEL: First Day, Torino, special mention '**MOLE ANTONELLIANA**', concordant illustration (triple).

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28.- KOREA Rep. (South)



TITLE: GRAY WHALE (*Eschrichtius robustus*)

CREATOR: Chang Hwan Kim

STAMP: Issue: Nov. 7, 2013. For: 50th Anniversary of Diplomatic Relations between Korea and Mexico. **CARD:** Stamp Mania Club, S. Korea

CANCEL: First Day, Seoul, special mention & illustration (triple)

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29.- LIECHTENSTEIN**



TITLE: ELLHORN MOUNTAINS AND LIECHTENSTEIN VALLEY

Liechtenstein and Switzerland are closely bound by economic, regional and friendly ties. However it has not always been so. Over many long years Austria was its most important partner. However, with the fall of the monarchy in 1918; the Principality was forced to reposition itself in foreign-policy terms. March 29, 1923 saw the signing of the Customs Treaty with the Confederation, under which Liechtenstein became part of the Swiss customs area. Switzerland has proven itself an extremely reliable partner.

CREATOR: Liechtenstein Post

STAMP:Issue: Mar. 4, 2013(double stamp issue with Switzerland).

For: Switzerland-Liechtenstein Customs Treaty 1923-2013.

CARD: Liechtenstein Post, MK 362/2013 (Photo by *Ivo Deininger*).

CANCEL:First Day, Vaduz, special mention and illustration

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30.- LUXEMBOURG



TITLE: FLY AGARIC MUSHROOM (*Amanita muscaria*)

A hallucinogen and poisonous mushroom.

CREATOR: Commission de Maximaphilie FSPL

STAMP: Issue: Dec. 3, 2013(set of 5 diff. stamps).

For: Mushrooms of Luxembourg

CARD: Imprimerie Linden, Luxembourg (Photo by *Christine Morgner*)

CANCEL:First Day, Luxembourg, regular

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31.- MACAU



TITLE: YEAR OF THE SNAKE – CHINESE LUNAR YEAR

CREATOR: Clube Filatelico de Macau

STAMP: Issue: Jan. 3, 2013. For: Chinese Lunar Year

CARD: Correios de Macau, BPL 157/2013

CANCEL: First Day, Macau, special mention; 'ANO LUNAR DA COBRA', concordant illustration (triple).

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32.- MALAYSIA**



PELIHARAAN
EKSTRA
2013
5.2.2013
SEREMBAN



**TITLE: FOUR-TOED HEDGEHOG (*Atelerix albiventris*),
or AFRICAN PYGMY HEDGEHOG** CREATOR: Ye Choh San

It is an oval-bodied animal between 15 to 25cm in length, weighing between 250 to 600 gm with short legs, short tail around 2.5 cm in length, a long nose, and small beady eyes. The ears and whiskers are large, thus it has good senses. Only four toes on each foot, lacking the hallux. It has brown or grey spines with white or cream colored tips. The fur on the body is speckled grey, with brown around the muzzle, and white face, legs, and underparts. The upper body is covered in spines varying from 0.5 to 1.7 cm in length.

STAMP: Issue: Feb. 5, 2013. For: Malaysian Fauna

CARD: Malaysian Comm. Edition

CANCEL: First Day, Serenban, special mention & illustration

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33.- MEXICO



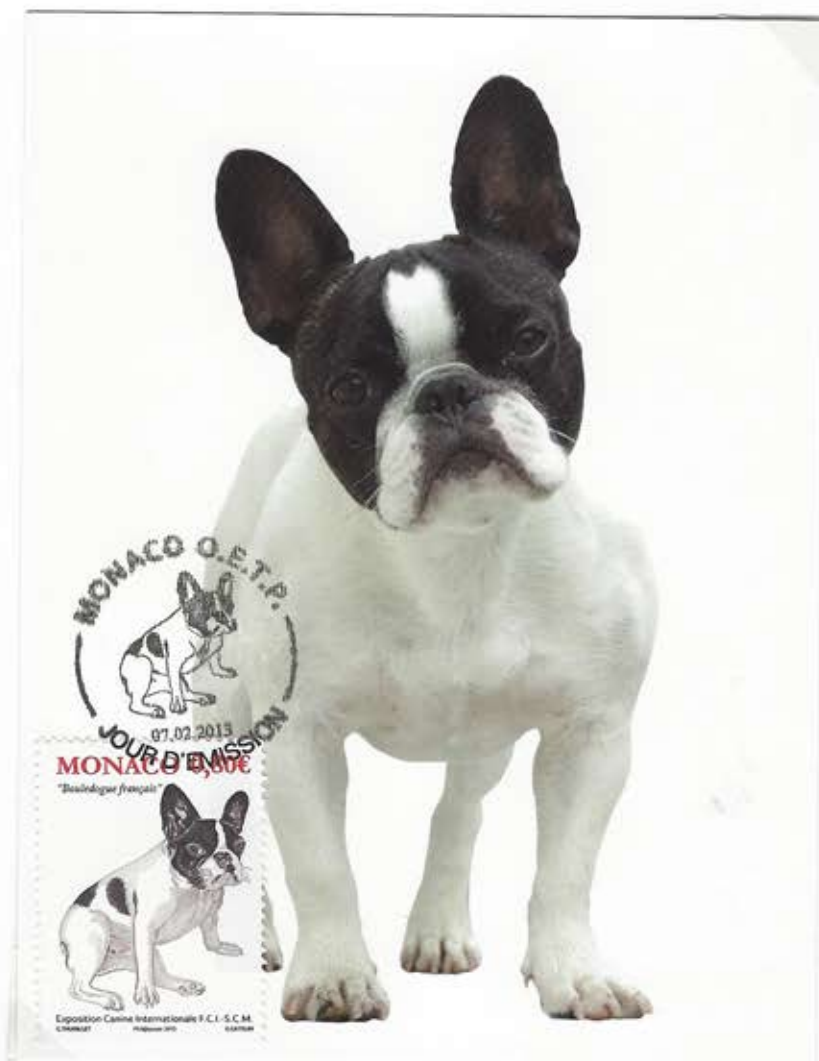
TITLE: **JAGUAR** (*Panthera onca*)

The Jaguar is the only extant *Panthera* species native to the Americas. It is the third-largest feline after the tiger and the lion, and the largest in the Americas. Their range extends from Southwestern US and Mexico across much of Central America and south to Paraguay and northern Argentina. **CREATOR:** Guadalupe Morales Grifaldo
STAMP: Issue: Apr. 6, 2013. **For:** 60th Anniversary of Diplomatic Relations between Mexico and Indonesia. **CARD:** Commercial Mexican Edition
CANCEL: First Day, Tlalnepantla, special illustration and mention:
'60 ANIVERSARIO- RELACIONES DIPLOMATICAS - MEXICO INDONESIA'.

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34.- MONACO



TITLE: FRENCH BULLDOG

CREATOR: Les Maximaphiles Français

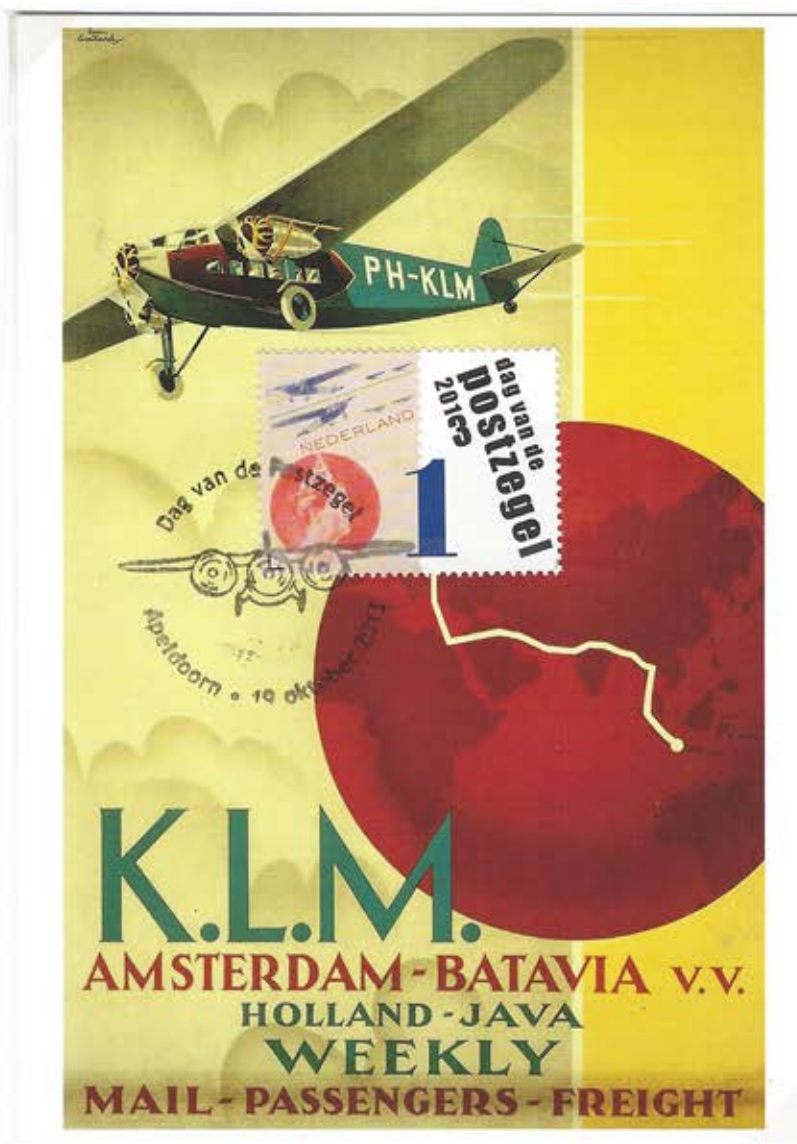
STAMP: Issue: Feb. 7, 2013. For: 'Exposition Canine Internationale'

CARD: Commercial Edition Zazzle

CANCEL: First Day, Monaco, concordant illustration (triple)

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35.- NETHERLANDS



TITLE:THE NEW FLYING DUTCHMAN-KLM FOKKER AIRPLANE

Card: Reproduction of a 1933 poster, promoting the connection Amsterdam-Batavia by KLM, with the KLM Fokker airplane, used for these flights.

CREATOR: Ronald van der Leeden-Dutch Maximum Card Ass.

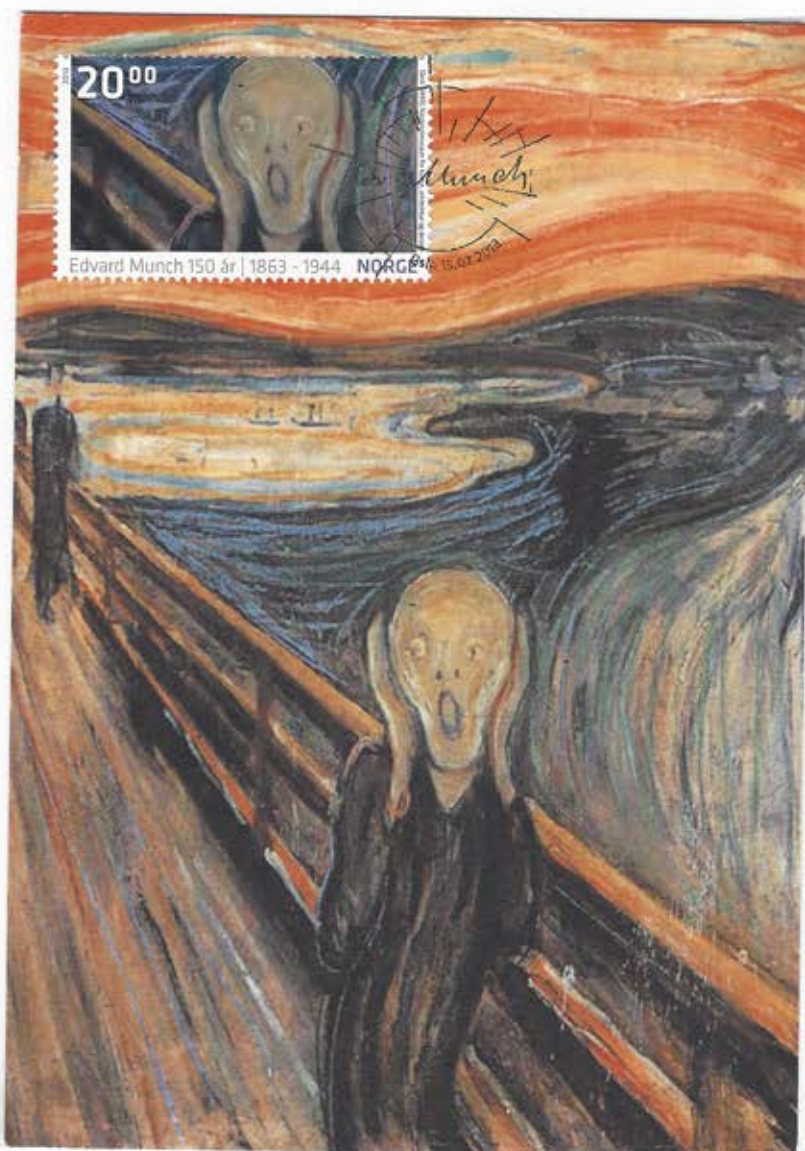
STAMP:Issue: Oct. 19, 2013. For: Stamp Day 2013 – POSTEX Exhibition, Apeldoorn. **CARD:** Art Unlimited, Amsterdam, nr. A 5405

CANCEL:First Day, Apeldoorn, special mention: '*Dag van der Postzegel 2013*'(Stamp Day 2013), concordant illustration (Fokker Airplane) (triple).

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36.- NORWAY



TITLE: THE SCREAM, by Edvard Munch (1863-1944)

CREATOR: Sergio Berti

STAMP:Issue: Feb. 15, 2013. For: 150th Birth Anniversary of *Edvard Munch*. **CARD:** Universal Postcards, Italy

CANCEL:First Day, Oslo, special illustr. and mention: '*EDVARD MUNCH*'

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37.- PHILIPPINES



TITLE: MALACANAN PRESIDENTIAL PALACE

CREATOR: Henry Chua/Eduardo Jacinto

STAMP:Issue: June 11, 2013. For: 150th Anniversary of the Presidential Palace 1863 -2013. **CARD:** PHLPOST-Philippine Postal Corp.

CANCEL:First Day, Manila, special mention: 'MALACANAN-150-PALACE-Sesquicentennial 1863-2013'), concordant illustration (triple).

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38.- POLAND



TITLE: KINGFISHER (*Alcedo atthis*)

CREATOR: Marian Rawinski

STAMP:Issue: Apr. 12, 2013. For: Polish Birds

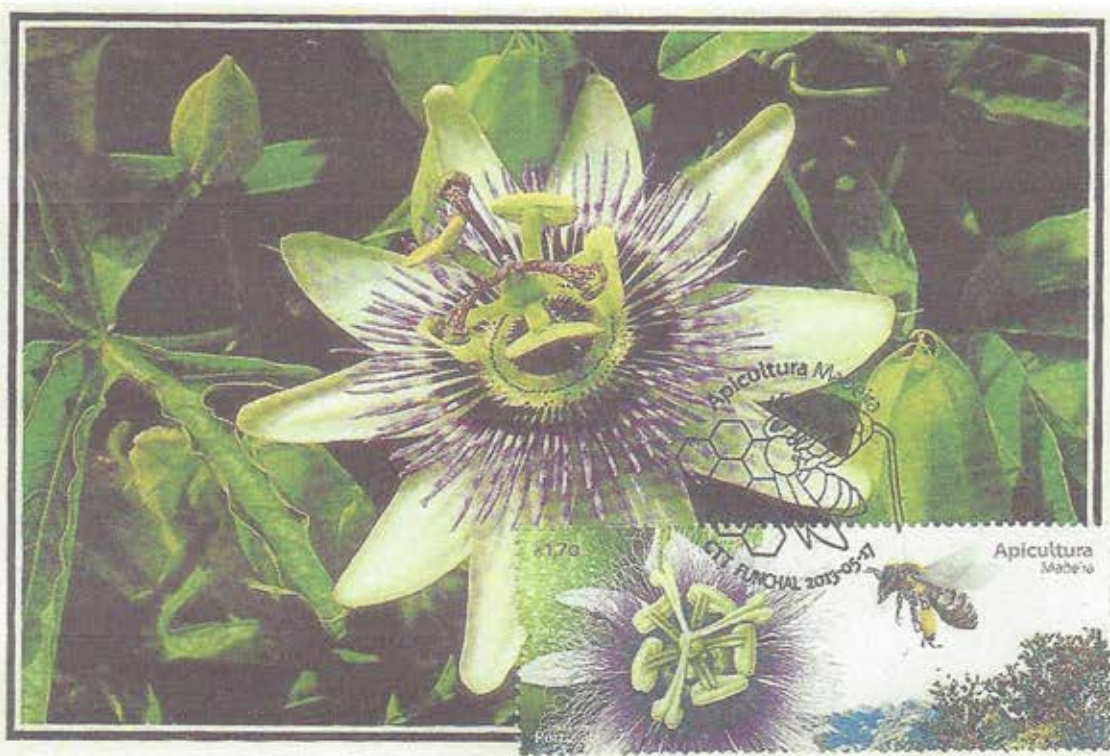
CARD: Wyd. Maksimafilia PZF, Tarnow

CANCEL:First Day, Warsaw, special mention: 'POLSKIE
PTAKI'(POLISH BIRDS), concordant illustration (triple).

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39.- PORTUGAL



TITLE: BEEKEEPING AND PASSION FLOWER

CREATOR: Bento Grossinho Dias

STAMP: Issue: May 17, 2013, from a S/S, plus of a set of 4 stamps.

For: Beekeeping in the Atlantic Island of Madeira

CARD: Comm. Portuguese Edition

CANCEL: First Day, Funchal, special illustration and mention:
'APICULTURA MADEIRA'.

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40.- ROMANIA**



TITLE: THE WATERMILL OF DABACA

OPEN AIR MUSEUM OF TRADITIONAL POPULAR CIVILIZATION IN SIBIU
Sibiu's designation as 2007 European capital of culture , prompted the municipality to conduct a large scale campaign of restoration. In 2009, the EU funded the project ASTRA for the conservation and restoration of open-air Heritage Museum Sibiu. Sibiu's old town has been classified as "the 8th most idyllic place to live in Europe" by Forbes.

CREATOR: L' Association des philatelistes du departement de Sibiu.
STAMP: Issue: Oct. 17, 2013. For: 50th Anniv. Museum Traditional Popular Civilisat. of Sibiu. CARD: L' Ass. des philatelistes du departement de Sibiu.
CANCEL: First Day, Sibiu (postmark designer: Ioan Daniliuc), special mention: ASTRA- MUZEUL CIVILIZATEI POPULARE TRADITIONALE', concordant illustration(0 represents Wheel of Watermill) (triple)

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41.- RUSSIA



TITLE: CONES OF SIBERIAN SPRUCE (*Picea obovate*)

CREATOR: Valery Petrov

STAMP: Issue: Mar. 4, 2013. For: Russia Flora

CARD: Postcard "Common crossbill" nr. 3073, printed in DDR for USSR before 1970. **CANCEL:** First Day, Moscow, concordant illustration (Cones of a conifer) (triple).

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42.- SAN MARINO



**TITLE: 2013 FOOTBALL - JUVENTUS
CHAMPION OF ITALY 2012-2013**

CREATOR: A.I.M. (Italian Max. Ass.)

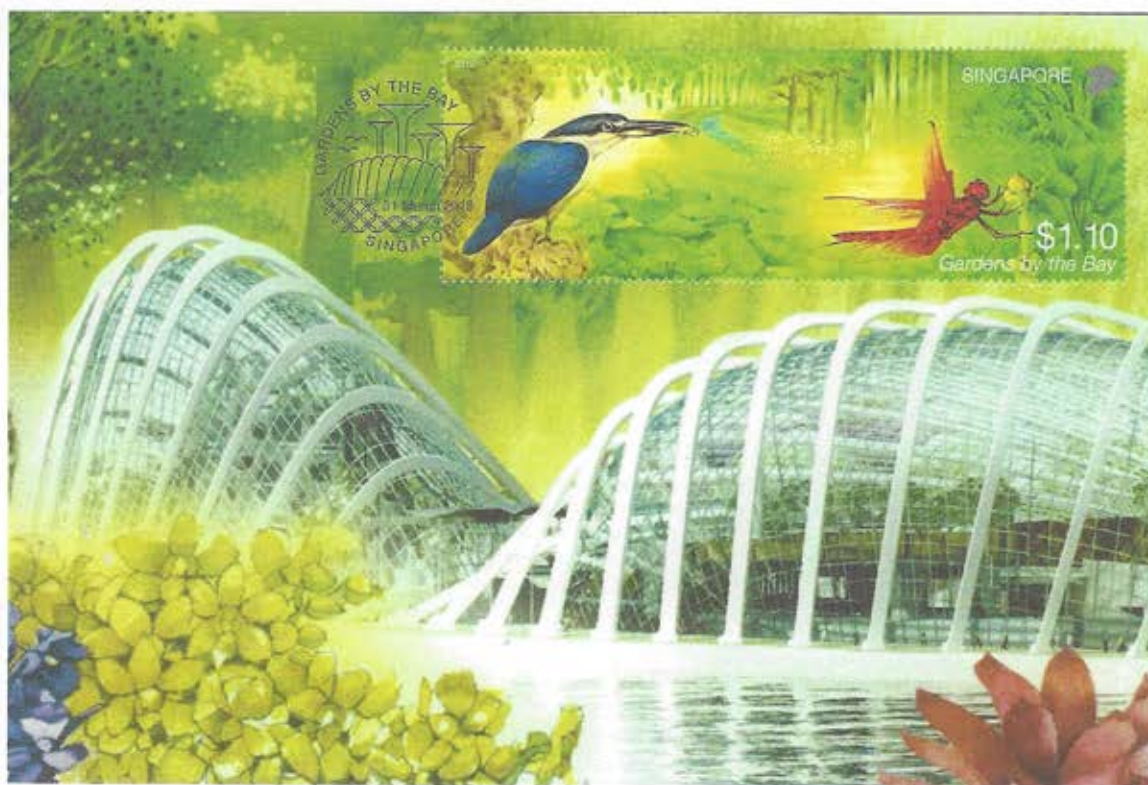
STAMP: Issue: June 7, 2013. For: 2013 Football - Juventus, Italian Champion 2012-2013. CARD: Universal Postcards, Italy

CANCEL: First Day, San Marino, special mention: *CAMPIONE D' ITALIA'*, concordant illustration (triple)

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43.- SINGAPORE



TITLE: **GARDENS BY THE BAY**

(On Stamp) COLLARED KINGFISHER (*Todirhamphus chloris*)

Among the three gardens at *Gardens by the Bay*, Bay South is the largest. Spanning 54 hectares, Bay South will feature the best of tropical horticulture and garden artistry through two contrasting sets of foliage, the Heritage Gardens and the World of Plants. **Two cooled conservatories** (see Card) and man-made supertrees, form the backdrop of Bay South. The 32-hectare Bay East spans 2 km along the Marina Reservoir to link the *Gardens by the Bay* with East Coast Park. CREATOR: Cindy Chai Oi Lian
STAMP: Issue: Mar. 31, 2013. For: Commemorate the Opening of Singapore's latest attraction '*Gardens by the Bay*'. CARD: Singapore Phil. Bureau/2013.
CANCEL: FDI, Singapore, special illustr. & mention: '*GARDENS BY THE BAY*'

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44.- SLOVAKIA



TITLE: SCEPTER QUARTZ FROM SOBOV

CREATOR: Slovakian Post/Submitted by *Julius Molnar*

STAMP: Issue: Oct. 10, 2013. For: Slovakian Mineral Resources

CARD: Slovakian Post nr.548/13

CANCEL: First Day, Bratislava, concordant illustration (triple)

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45.- SLOVENIA**



TITLE: OLD BRIDGE OVER THE RIVER DRAVA

Maribor's history revolves around the river Drava and the bridges spanning it. Today's *Old Bridge* was built between 1906 - 1913. At the time of its construction, it was one of the largest and stateliest bridges in the Austrian-Hungarian Empire. It consists of an elegant, triple arch steel construction. At first it was named the *State Bridge*, then the *Main Bridge* ; following the construction of three new road bridges over the Drava in

Maribor, the name *Old Bridge* stuck. CREATOR: Bojan Bracic

STAMP: Issue: Aug. 23, 2013 For: 100th Anniv. of Bridge's Construction

CARD: Filatelistično društvo Maribor st. 179/2013 (Photo by *Bojan Bracic*)

CANCEL: First Day, Maribor, special mention: '100 LET' (100 Years), concordant illustration (triple)

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46.- ST. PIERRE & MIQUELON



TITLE: **BLUE JAY** (*Cyanocitta cristata*)

CREATOR: Les Maximaphiles Francais

STAMP: Issue: Sept. 1st, 2013. For: Fauna of St. Pierre & Miquelon

CARD: Commercial Edition Zazzle/2009. CANCEL: First Day, Saint-Pierre,
special mention: 'LE GEAI BLEU', concordant illustration (triple).

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47.- SPAIN



TITLE: THE DRAGON BRIDGE

ALCALA DE GUADAIRA, SEVILLE, ANDALUSIA

The bridge is made up by two roads of two lanes and a wide central reservation. The structure emulates a Dragon that gets out of the Castle Hill crossing the River Guadaira, at the foot of one of the largest Almohad fortresses in Europe. This way, the Dragon is "the Guardian of the Castle" and the town defender, and also the one in charge of receiving its visitors. **CREATOR:** ASEMA (Spanish Maximaphily Ass.)

STAMP:Issue: Oct. 18, 2013. For: Bridges of Spain

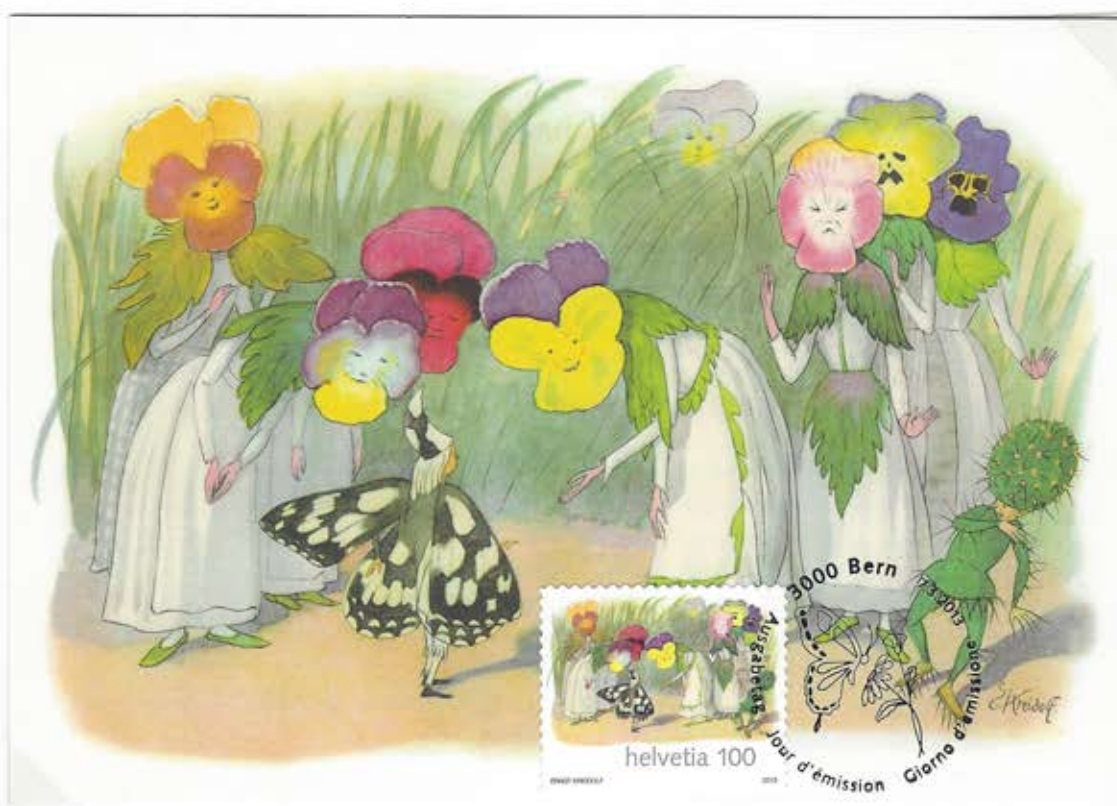
CARD: ASEMA (Spanish Maximaphily Ass.), 2013

CANCEL:FDI, Alcalá de Guadaira, special mention: 'PUENTES DE ESPAÑA – PUENTE DEL DRAGON-ALCALA DE GUADAIRA, SEVILLA' concordant illustr.(triple).

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48.- SWITZERLAND (SUISSE)



TITLE: 'PANSIES', by Ernst Kreidolf (1863-1956)

Bernese artist, regarded as the creator of the modern German-language Picture Book. He was not just a painter and graphic artist but a "painting poet" in the true sense of the word. Kreidolf's pictures and texts made his Children's Books genuine works of art.

CREATOR: Ass. Maximaphile Suisse

STAMP: Issue: Mar. 7, 2013. For: 150th Birth Anniversary of the Birth

CARD: Ernst Kreidolf & Raffael-Verlag, Ittigen, Kunstkarte, nr. 3497

CANCEL: First Day, Bern, concordant illustration (triple).

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49.- UKRAINE



TITLE: VERA KHOLODNAYA, ACTRESS 1893 – 1919

Vera Vasilyevna Kholodnaya was the first Star of Russian silent cinema. Only five of her films still exist and the total number she acted in is unknown, with speculation ranging between fifty and one hundred. **CREATOR:** Veslav SAVIN

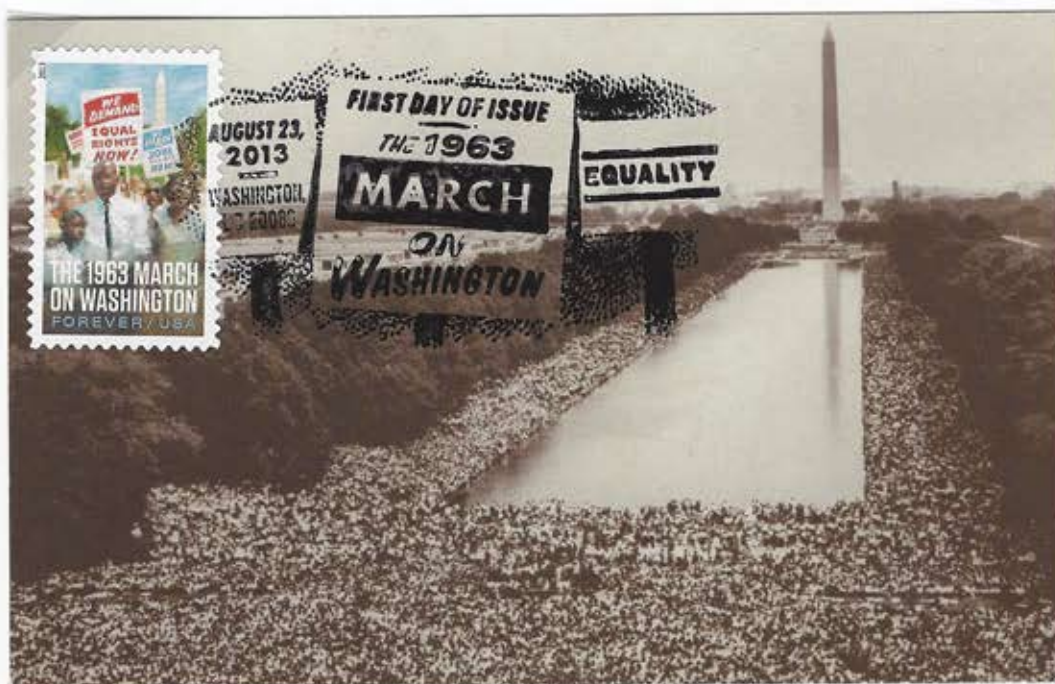
STAMP:Issue: Oct. 31, 2013. For: 120th Birth Anniversary of Vera Kholodnaya. **CARD:** Ukrainian Comm. Edition

CANCEL:First Day, Poltava, Ukraine, special mention:
'VERA KHOLODNAYA – 120 YEARS BIRTH ANNIVERSARY'.

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50.- USA



TITLE: THE 1963 MARCH ON WASHINGTON

On Tuesday Aug. 27, 1963, thousands of Americans headed to Washington DC. On Wednesday, August 28, 1963. *Martin Luther King, Jr.*, standing in front of the Lincoln Memorial, delivered his historic "*I Have a Dream*" speech in which he called for Equality and an end to racism.

CREATOR: Sun Yu

STAMP:Issue: Aug. 23, 2013. For: 50th Anniversary of the August 28 March on Washington for Equality and Freedom.

CARD: Leib Image Archives, York PA

CANCEL:First Day, Washington DC, special illustration and mention:
'*THE 1963 MARCH ON WASHINGTON - EQUALITY*'.

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51.- VATICAN



TITLE: POPE BENEDICT XVI

CREATOR: Cesare Rialdi

STAMP:Issue: Feb. 28, 2013(Stamp is a cut-out from a Stationary).

For: Resigning the Papacy on 28 Feb. 2013. **CARD:** Italian Comm. Edition

CANCEL: First Day, Vatican, special mention: '*BENEDICTUS XVI RENUNTIAT MINISTERIO PETRINO*', concordant illustration (triple)

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52.- VENEZUELA



TITLE: HUGO RAFAEL CHAVEZ FRIAS (1954 -2013)
Venezuelan Politician and President from 1999 until his death in 2013. Leader of the 5th Republic Movement from its founding in 1997 to 2007, when it merged with several other parties to form the United Socialist Party of Venezuela, which he led until 2012.

CREATOR: Ignacio Martinello

STAMP: Issue: Apr. 9, 2013. For: Commemorate the passing away of Hugo Chavez. **CARD:** Ipostel, Venezuelan Posts, 8/8

CANCEL: First Day, Caracas, special mention and illustration