

EVENT SCHEDULE FOR CHICAGOPEX '26

The CHICAGOPEX '26 exhibition and bourse will be held in the four ballrooms on the main floor of the hotel. The philatelic exhibits will be in the Abricot and Lakeshore Ballrooms; the bourse will be in the Grand and Gallery Ballrooms; Youth activities and the literature exhibits will be in the Chambers Room off the Atrium. Book signings will be at the Chicago Philatelic Society (CPS) Booth in the Atrium. All of the other meeting rooms (noted below) are on the second floor and can be reached by either stairway or elevator. All presentations and meetings are open to the public, unless marked as “closed meeting” or “members only.”

Friday, November 20

10:00 AM	CHICAGOPEX '26 Opens	Ballroom
11:00 AM	American Philatelic Society Town Hall Meeting, Kirk Gillis, Executive Director	Alton
1:00 PM	Collectors Club of Chicago, “How to find out EVERYTHING about a cover,” Gary Loew	Alton
1:00 PM	British North America Philatelic Society Meeting and BNA Show and Tell plus “Some Spectroscopic Studies in Newfoundland Philately,” Richard Judge	Carlyle
1:00-2:00 PM	Book Signings: Walt Disney books by Edward Bergen: <i>Mickey Mouse, Vols. 1-4, Donald Duck Volumes 1-3</i>	CPS Booth
2:00 PM	"Modelling the Banknote Issues: An Introduction," Rev. Stephen Knapp	Edwardian
2:00 – 4:00 PM	40 th Anniversary Dessert Social and “The Future of Exhibiting,” American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors (AAPE) (free to members and new applicants) See Show Program for Location	
3:00 PM	New Book Talk: “Routes to a Nation: The Post Office in the Colonies and Early United States,” Curators Alison Bazylnski and Daniel Piazza, and Research Chair Susan Smith, Smithsonian National Postal Museum	Alton
4:00 PM	“Researching Postal History in Washington DC,” Susan Smith, Winton M. Blount Research Chair, Smithsonian National Postal Museum	Alton
6:00 PM	CHICAGOPEX '26 Closes for the Day	

Saturday, November 21

9:00 AM	American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors (AAPE), “Exhibiting 101 Seminar and Exhibit Tour,” Norma Nielson	Carlyle
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9:00 AM	Scouting Stamp Collecting Merit Badge (closed meeting)	Stanford
10:00 AM	CHICAGOPEX '26 Opens	
10:00 AM	Literature Judges' Feedback Forum	Alton
11:00 AM	"An Introduction to U.S. Collecting," Rodney Juell	Carlyle
11:00 AM	China Stamp Society Annual Meeting	Edwardian
12:00 PM	Postcrossing Meetup	Marlborough
12:00 PM	Stamp Out Russian Aggression (SORA), "Ukrainian War Issues: What Stamp Collectors Can Do to Help," David S. Ball	Carlyle
12:00 PM	Chicago Philatelic Society Board Meeting	Alton
12:30 PM	Chicago Philatelic Society Membership Meeting	Alton
1:00 PM	Chicago Philatelic Society Featured Presentation	Alton
1:00-2:00 PM	Book Signings:	CPS Booth
	Walt Disney books by Edward Bergen: <i>Mickey Mouse, Vols. 1-4, Donald Duck Volumes 1-3</i>	
2:00 PM	Germany Philatelic Society, Chicagoland Chapter 5 Meeting, Show and Tell with German Postal History	Edwardian
2:00 PM	American Plate Number Single Society (APNSS) Meeting	Carlyle
3:00 PM	American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors (AAPE) Open Forum and Treatment Presentation, Mark Schwartz, host	Alton
4:00 PM	Philatelic Judges' Feedback Forum	Alton
6:00 PM	CHICAGOPEX '26 Closes for the Day	
6:30 PM	CHICAGOPEX '26 Awards Banquet Reception (no host)	Marlborough
7:00 PM	CHICAGOPEX '26 Awards Banquet (advance ticket required)	Marlborough

Sunday, November 22

10:00 AM	CHICAGOPEX '26 Opens	
11:00 AM	American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors (AAPE), "ABCs of Thematic Exhibiting," Jean Wang	Carlyle
1:00 PM	Illinois Postal History Society Presentation and Show and Tell	Carlyle
1:00-2:00 PM	Book Signings:	CPS Booth
	Walt Disney books by Edward Bergen: <i>Mickey Mouse, Vols. 1-4, Donald Duck Volumes 1-3</i>	
3:00 PM	CHICAGOPEX '26 Exhibits Close	
4:00 PM	CHICAGOPEX '26 Closes	