



### What is Stamp Camp USA?

Stamp Camp USA is a collaborative educational program that boosts children's skills and knowledge through the use of worldwide stamps, envelopes, and Stamp Camp Cash.

Campers, ages 8 to 14, begin by learning stamp collecting basics, including the proper care of a stamp collection and the use of cool stamp tools. After they learn the basics, campers select a topic and then hunt for related stamps, envelopes, and postmarks in the donations. These materials become part of their personal collections, to be used in their projects, such as creative three-dimensional exhibits, or four-page competitive exhibits.

Throughout these activities, each camper earns Stamp Camp Cash, which they use to purchase prizes at the end-of-camp auction

### Why Stamps?

Postage stamps, with their colorful images and real-life stories, have fascinated millions of adults

and children ever since they first appeared more than 150 years ago.

There's something to interest everyone in the world of stamps — nature, wildlife, artists, athletes, space ships, dinosaurs, monuments, historical events, faraway lands, and more!

Stamps are an ideal way to motivate children to learn. They provide a stimulus for an exciting discussion and they add a touch of family fun for your home and community.

### When and Where?

**ROPEX Stamp Show, Community Field House,  
Thomas High School, 800 Five Mile Line Rd,  
Webster, NY (off the Route 104 expressway)**

Date: Saturday, June 11, 2005

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Registration Fee: \$25.00 per child  
(family discount \$10.00 per child thereafter)

*Lunch is included with the registration fee.*

### For more information or to register, contact:

Thomas M. Fortunato, Events Coordinator  
28 Amberwood Pl, Rochester, NY 14626  
Phone: 585-225-6822 (evenings/weekends)  
Email: stampmf@frontiernet.net

Deadline for submission: June 6, 2005



## STAMP CAMP USA REGISTRATION

Please mail this completed form and payment to:  
**Stamp Camp USA, c/o Thomas Fortunato  
28 Amberwood Pl, Rochester, NY 14626**

My son/daughter has my permission to attend Stamp Camp USA at the ROPEX Stamp Show. (Note: Participation is limited to a maximum of 20 children per camp reserved on a first-come basis.)

### Child's Name(s)

(Include First Name/Middle Initial/Last Name)

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Preferred name/nickname(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ St: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Age(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Ever Exhibited? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Stamp subjects of interest: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Include the appropriate fee with registration. Payment accepted by check or money order made out to "Stamp Camp USA."

Deadline for submission is June 6, 2005.  
We will notify you of receipt of this form.

## About ROPEX...



## National Stamp Show

Fri., June 10 11-6 PM  
Sat., June 11 10-5 PM  
Sun.. June 12 10-4 PM

Webster Community Field House  
Thomas High School  
800 Five Mile Line Road, Webster, NY  
off the Route 104 Expressway

**Stamps, Covers, Postcards,  
Supplies, Coins, More!**

Free Admission - Parking  
Door Prizes/Give-A-Ways  
Handicapped Accessible

35 Dealers, up to 250 Frames of Exhibits,  
US Postal Service/UN Postal Administration,  
Youth Booth, Society Meetings, Prizes  
Cachet Makers Bourse – Saturday 2-6 PM

Free informal appraisals, Cash buyers!



Phone: 585-266-2524  
email: stampmf@frontiernet.net  
<http://www.geocities.com/rpastamps/ropex.html>

## What Kinds of Activities?

Camp schedules may include:

- scavenger hunts
- creating travel passports
- using identifiers and maps to learn geography
- translating the mysterious markings on envelopes to unravel everything from bar codes to zip codes
- transcribing handwritten letters (an activity that brings poor spellers into a “prized” team role)
- hands-on opportunities to soak stamps, sort them, and learn such basics of the hobby as how to hinge, mount, and display their collections
- creative storytelling with worldwide stamps, envelopes and postmarks

## Who Is Involved in Stamp Camp?

First introduced in 1995 in the Northern Tioga School District of Pennsylvania, Stamp Camp USA operates under a collaborative program structure. Partners include the United States Postal Service, the American Philatelic Society, and community volunteers and resources on the local level. Supplies and materials are obtained through direct program donations and community fund-raising efforts.

USPS: <http://www.usps.gov>

APS: <http://www.stamps.org>



## WHERE KIDS LEARN THROUGH STAMPS

Presented by Cheryl Edgcomb  
Stamp Camp USA Executive Director

[http://www.stamps.org/kids/  
kid\\_StampCamp\\_Teachers.htm](http://www.stamps.org/kids/kid_StampCamp_Teachers.htm)