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## **AFDCS FDC EXHIBIT AWARD CRITERIA**

1. To be eligible to present the AFDCS Award, the show or exhibition must have a judged competition open to all exhibitors.
2. The AFDCS Award is to be presented to the exhibitor determined to have entered the best first day cover exhibit in the show or exhibition regardless of number of frames or AFDCS affiliation. The judges are to be informed that this award is intended to supplement any show awards already earned by the exhibitor and not replace them.
3. A minimum of three first day cover exhibits must be entered. A first day cover exhibit is defined as one consisting of at least 75% of first day covers, ceremony programs, souvenir pages and other related material.
4. At least one of the jurors is to have knowledge of the field of FDC collecting. If no exhibit merits the award in the opinion of the judges it is not to be given.
5. The AFDCS Award should be listed in the show prospectus whenever possible.
6. The AFDCS exhibiting/awards chairman is to be mailed a copy of the show program and either the AFDCS Report of Show Awards or exhibit Palmares detailing all the exhibitors and their awards for publication in the society's magazine, FIRST DAYS. Any unawarded AFDCS item is to be returned at that time.

Note: The AFDCS will make available a copy of the official APS Judging First Day Cover exhibiting rules when requested. These rules outline the accepted national guidelines for judges and may be reproduced as needed to assist in determining the AFDCS Award winner.