



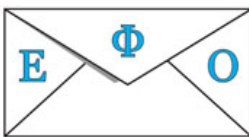
The combination of Greek and the foreign Greek-interest exhibits will be the most remarkable ones ever assembled in a philatelic exhibition. Most of them are award winning exhibits featured in past in major world philatelic exhibitions. They will be presented in all their splendour at "Patraphilex 2010". The exhibition is being created to encourage the general public to visit. This will be a tremendous opportunity for everyone to explore their thirst for knowledge of history. Postal history, thematic philately, aerophilately and classic collections offer a great spectacle for nine (9) full days. You will not want to miss visiting Patras from 6 to 14 November 2010.



The Pan-Hellenic Philatelic Exhibition "Patraphilex 2010" is organized by the Philatelic Society of Patras, under the auspices of the Greek Philatelic Federation. "Patraphilex 2010" has the gracious support of the Prefecture of Achaia and the Greek Post Office.



The aid of the Prefecture of Achaia was expressed openly by the Prefect, Mr. D. Katsikopoulos at a meeting he had with the Vice President of the Philatelic Society of Patras, Mr. K. Hatzis and the man in charge of the exceptional collection of the "Spungen Foundation", Mr. Daniel Spungen on February 8, 2010 in Patras.



Articles in local newspapers:

- Η Γνώμη*, 9.2.2010 p. 44 (back cover),
- Ημερήσιος Κήρυξ Πατρών*, 9.2.2010 p.16 (back cover),
- Σημερινή*, 9.2.2010 p.8
- Τα Γεγονότα της Αχαΐας*, 9.2.2010 p.4
- Αλλαγή*, 9.2.2010 p.6



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# NEWSDESK

## Empire Mail: George V and the GPO

The end of the London 2012 Olympic Games has seen the release of a number of commemorative postage stamps. The GPO has issued a number of stamps in honor of the late King George V, who reigned from 1936 to 1952.

## Award-winning Holocaust philatelic exhibit purchased

An award-winning philatelic exhibit, "The Best of George: Royal Postmarks of the Holocaust and the Resurrection of Europe," is being purchased by the Spungen Family Foundation. The exhibit, which features 100 stamps and 100 postcards, is a tribute to the resilience of the Jewish people during the Holocaust.



## NUMISMATIST IN ACTION

### Danny Spungen

Fascinated by coins, stamps and sports cards, one man responds to the question: "Why collectibles?" by asking "Why not?"

Danny Spungen's interest in collecting is rooted in his childhood. He started collecting coins and stamps at a young age, and his passion grew over time. He now has a vast collection of stamps, coins, and sports cards. He is particularly interested in items related to the Holocaust.



Spungen's collection is not just for himself. He is a member of the Spungen Family Foundation, which is dedicated to preserving and sharing his collection for educational purposes. He has given many items to museums and educational institutions. He believes that his collection is a valuable resource for future generations.

## 5.5 million mail deliveries made by Maypost in 2007

The British Postal Museum has announced that it has received a grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund to support its research into the history of the British postal service.

## Philatelic Glossary

The British Postal Museum has published a new philatelic glossary, which defines key terms used in the study of stamps and postmarks.



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In the last two years, many articles in magazines, newspapers, television channels and in the internet world have reported on the excellent collection of "Florence and Laurence Spungen Family Foundation". The biggest news agencies like the New York Times, CBS, and CNN highlighted the educational nature of the collection, stating that "while the insurance value of collection is more than a million U.S. dollars, the educational value for future generations is priceless". The collection is constantly exposed in the U.S.A. where attendance reaches one thousand visitors each day. It is our pleasure and honor to host in Patras -the first city in the world outside the U.S. hosting the exhibit- this important educational collection of postal history of the World War II, under the emulative Pan-Hellenic Philatelic Exhibition "Patraphilex 2010".



The collection of "Florence and Laurence Spungen Family Foundation" also includes currency used in the concentration camps and ghettos. A special attraction is a display of counterfeit Bank of England banknotes made by 142 Jewish prisoners at Sachsenhausen concentration camp (Germany) under the secret Nazi project known as "Operation Bernhard." Millions of counterfeit banknotes were produced and widely used around the world, including Greece. "Operation Bernhard" was the basis of the 2007 Oscar award winning movie for best foreign picture, The Counterfeiters. This is a unique opportunity to enjoy first hand the excellent work of the prisoners in that difficult period.