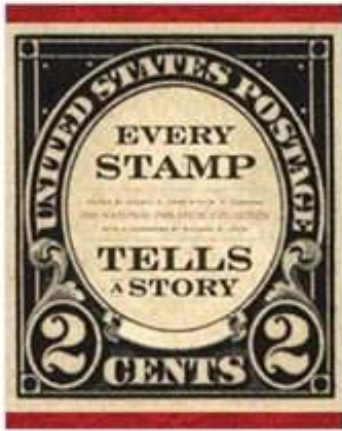


“Every Stamp Tells a Story” book

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Today we are looking at the book, “*Every Stamp Tells a Story*” by Cheryl R. Ganz. I’ve been looking at its book cover for the past month and love its design! I’ve got to find out if any of my stamp club buddies have already read it.

The official title is *Every Stamp Tells a Story: The National Philatelic Collection (Smithsonian Contribution to Knowledge)*.

The hard back came out in December 2014.

“Every stamp and piece of mail tells a story. In fact, each often tells multiple stories, ranging from concept to art design to production to usage, often with tales of politics, history, technology, biography, genealogy, economics, geography, disaster, and triumph. The lens of philately offers a fresh and engaging story of American history, culture, and identity, and it can also help

deepen the understanding of world cultures. The William H. Gross Stamp Gallery, opened at the Smithsonian National Postal Museum in September 2013, has many such stories to tell. Chief philately curator Cheryl R. Ganz guides readers through some of the gallery’s nearly 20,000 objects that together illustrate the history of our nation’s postal operations and postage stamps.”

Linn’s Stamp News Review of the book by Charles Snee

Over at [Linn’s](#), there is a book review on it by Charles Snee back from when it was being released, including the following excerpt.

“More important, the book is organized to appeal to noncollectors.

The 18 chapters are light on text and heavy on illustrations.

The captions accompanying the 121 figures are short and, for the most part, free of philatelic terminology. ...

*Overall, though, I find *Every Stamp Tells a Story* an entertaining pick-me-up. ...”*

Last month, my blog post on “Aspects of American Postal History by Peter Martin” included the book review by Charles Snee. I ordered that book and loved getting to flip through the pages before immediately loaning it out at the local stamp club the same day of its arrival. Today’s blog post finds us with another book with a favorable review by Mr. Snee. It has me planning on ordering this book.

If you have not already read the book perhaps you’ll consider adding it to your bookshelf and reading list along with me!



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