

Tip 291 - You can include medals in an exhibit if they help your story.

In addition to the occasional postcard to illustrate a specific point in a traditional exhibit, I now use medals, as appropriate, to supplement my exhibits. In one case, I've even included badges.

I collect material from the JIPEX International Philatelic Exhibition in South Africa in 1936. The stamp show was part of the Empire Exhibition in Johannesburg. Figure 291-1 is a medal from the Empire Exhibition. It's attractive and communicates that the Exhibition excited those who participated.

Figure 291-1



The medal is included in my JIPEX exhibit. I didn't address the different varieties of medals; it's a stamp exhibit, not a medal exhibit. I find that attractive badges are also piquing my interest.

Figure 291-2 is a portion of one of the pages from my JIPEX exhibit showing both an exhibitor badge and a staff member badge along with a show catalog with last day (of the show) cancellations.

I'm enjoying the study and pursuit of medals almost as much as my purely philatelic pursuits. The learning, the thrill of the chase and the pleasure of acquisition are very similar in the two complementary areas.

Figure 291-2



