



The 150th Anniversary Celebration '*Gems of Asian Philately*'

This was due to be held in Hong Kong on Saturday 29th February 2020 but it **will now be held at 15 Abchurch Lane London EC4N 7BW.**

Fellows and Members are invited to support this celebration by offering to display a one frame '*Gems of Asian Philately*' exhibit, or by attending the meeting to view fine displays of Asian material. Items from important collections of China, Thailand, and Korea have already been offered. The displays will be held on the first floor of 15 Abchurch Lane and a total of 40 double-sided frames, each holding 16 pages per side, are available. If you wish to display an exhibit and have not already advised the organiser Anna Lee, please contact her as soon as possible by email info@philachina.com and provide the following details of your exhibit:

- Title of exhibit
- Description of the exhibit
- Illustration of a key item.

The closing date for entries is 31st January 2020.

Exhibits may be delivered in person to 15 Abchurch Lane on Friday 28th February (to be stored overnight in the vault) or before 10 a.m. on Saturday 29th February. Alternatively, members in Asia may contact Anna Lee to arrange for their exhibits to be brought to London.

Exhibitors will receive the Sesquicentenary Medal and Certificate. Later (2-3 months), a handbook describing the displays will be published and attendees will receive a copy. A further 100 copies will go to the Society for sale towards *Tomorrows Royal*. Exhibitors will also receive a commemorative cover which Anna is organising.

The display will be open to visitors between 12 noon and 5 p.m. on Saturday 29th February. At 5 p.m. we will move to the 2nd floor for brief formalities, a vote of thanks and presentation of medals and certificates to exhibitors. We will then proceed to the members' lounge for wine, cocktails and a buffet.

It is a Saturday meeting, a 150th Anniversary Event, with an important display and I hope that many members, particularly those who have difficulty attending meetings on weekdays because of work commitments, will join us for an enjoyable and memorable day.

I hope to see you on 29th February!

Richard Stock FRPSL

President of the Royal Philatelic Society London