



The Art of Stamps

12 January – 25 April 2006

Welcome to the National Gallery's first exhibition for 2006 entitled "The Art of Stamps." It is a pleasure to record that it is the first time that so many organisations and individuals have united to enable an exhibition to take place. The cooperation and assistance received from in particular the Post Office together with the Crown Agents, has been so essential and gratifying in making this exhibition possible.

The exhibition features art in various forms and stages. We have endeavoured to illustrate how a stamp concept is developed from an initial idea to the finished product. We have also included a small exhibition of Post Office memorabilia together with literature on the collecting of Cayman stamps and postal history.

Many local persons and organisations have contributed to numerous Cayman stamp designs through a variety of mediums, including photographs, computer designs, paintings, sketches and research material.

We are pleased to include in this exhibition original artwork (some for the first time), by a few of Cayman's premier and lesser known artists that have featured on a Cayman stamp. These artists include John Doak, Carole Mayer, Joanne Sibley, Natasha Kozaily, Debbie Van Der Bal and the late "Miss Lassie" Gladwyn Bush. To celebrate the Art of Stamps the Post Office has kindly sponsored a special postmark, which will be used to cancel mail posted at the Airport Post Office during the period of the exhibition.

Ivan Burges and David Bridgeman, Curators