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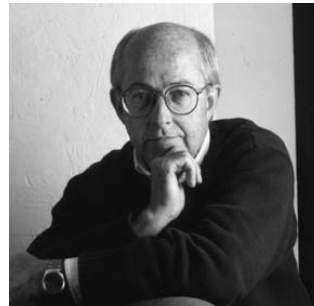
## **BART FORBES ARTWORK UNVEILED** **AS THEME DESIGN FOR TEXPEX 2005**

DALLAS – Renowned artist Bart Forbes has provided the theme artwork for this year's TEXPEX, the annual American Philatelic Society World Series show in Texas. Forbes, who has more than 20 United States Postal Service designs to his credit, produced a dramatic watercolor of two sprinters hitting the tape.



**TEXPEX 2005**

Bart Forbes and the  
TEXPEX design for  
2005



Forbes will also attend a presentation at TEXPEX on Saturday, April 9 where he has agreed to sign cacheted covers and official programs that will feature the design. TEXPEX takes on a sports theme this year with the biennial meeting of Sports Philatelists International. The show is set for April 8-10, 2005 at the Renaissance Dallas North Hotel, LBJ Freeway and Midway Road. Admission and parking are free. There will be 35 national dealers, USPS substation, fun youth center, world class exhibition, awards banquet and informative seminars.

Bart Forbes' unique approach to painting is a result of many years spent both as a fine artist and illustrator. His interest in sports has led to a wide variety of major commissions.

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Forbes has done theme paintings for a variety of PGA and Seniors tournaments, and is known for his many posters and prints. His USPS stamp design portfolio includes the 1988 Olympic Stamps, Lou Gehrig and Jesse Owens stamps and the “America the Beautiful” series. His work has appeared in countless magazines, including *Sports Illustrated* and *TIME*. Corporate clients include Exxon, Pepsi-Cola, ABC-TV, Eastman Kodak, General Electric, Lockheed, American Airlines and the National Football League.

In 1988 Forbes was selected by the Korean Olympic Committee to be the Official Artist for the Seoul Olympics. His paintings of the events are housed in the Olympic Museum in Seoul. In addition, he has painted official posters for the Boston Marathon, The Americas Cup, Indianapolis 500 as well as the 1992 and 1996 Olympic Games.

The U.S. Postal Service will provide three days of special pictorial cancellations, each with a different sports figure – baseball batter on Friday, April 8, track sprinter on Saturday, April 9, and a football running back on Sunday, April 10.

The show’s website is < <http://home.comcast.net/~kochacabana/TEXPEX/index.html>>.

TEXPEX 2005 is also the site of the 109<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Texas Philatelic Association, a major sponsor of the show. The show is organized by the Southwest Philatelic Foundation with assistance from the Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society, Mid-Cities Philatelic Society, American First Day Cover Society and the Collectors Club of Dallas.

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