

2025 US First Day Ceremonies

Photos and Souvenirs

by Roy Michael Roush



Jan. 14 Boston, MA Lunar New Year

National ceremony held at the Boch Center Wang Theater. The facility complimented the subject with local community members, national USPS representatives and special dance troupe entertainment.



Jan. 14 Boston, MA Lunar New Year



LUNAR NEW YEAR • YEAR OF THE SNAKE

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FIRST DAY OF ISSUE DEDICATION CEREMONY

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United States Postal Service

CHINESE DRAGON DANCE PERFORMANCE

Wah Lum Kung Fu and Tai Chi Academy
Performance Troupe

REMARKS

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Chief Financial Officer
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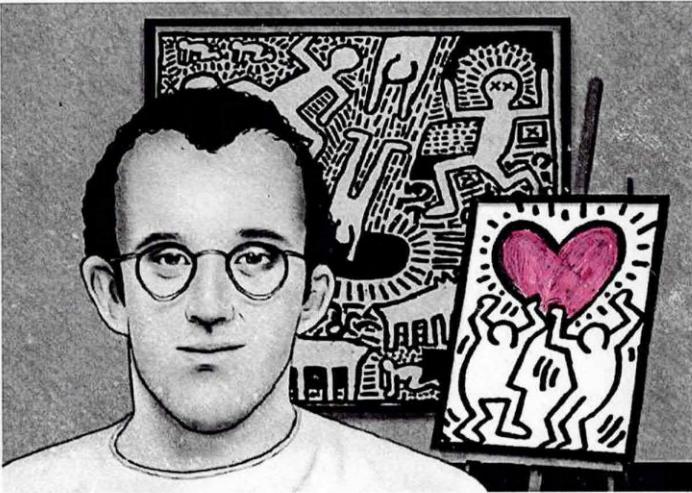


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Jan. 17 Kutztown, PA Love

Local, low-key event. Held in a post office lobby; local postmaster led show and family members present.

FIRST DAY OF ISSUE
Kutztown, Pennsylvania ♦ January 17, 2025



Keith Allen Haring [1958-1992]



Brenda A. Love PM

Kurt DeG...



Mar. 14

Strongsville, OH

Vibrant Leaves

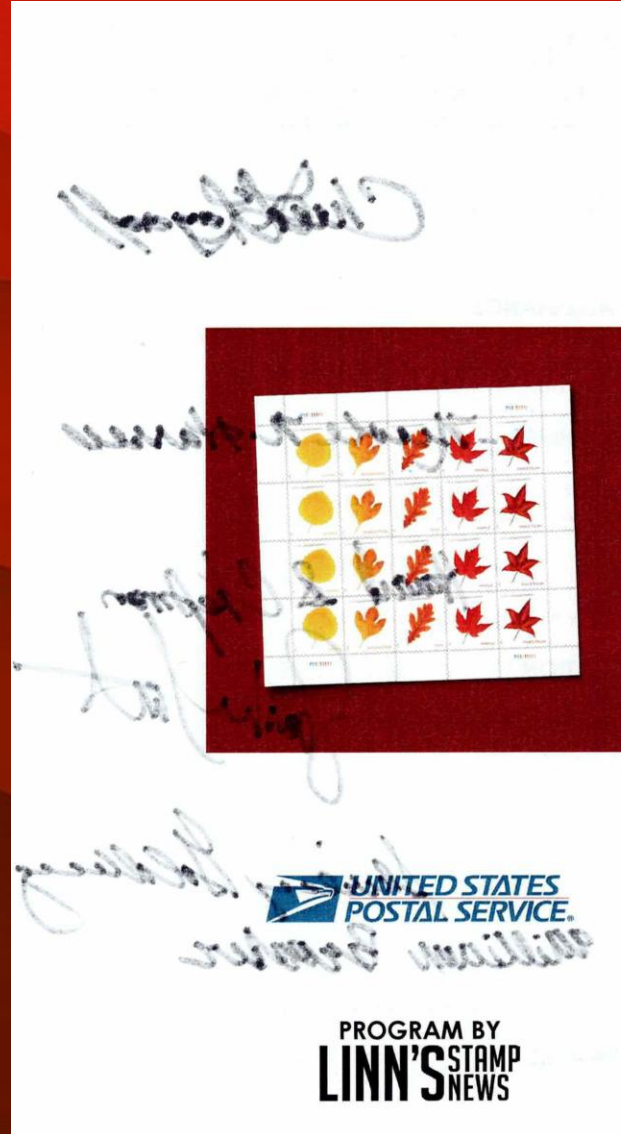
Regional ceremony held during the annual March Party stamp show by the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club.



Mar. 14

Strongsville, OH

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FIRST-DAY-OF-ISSUE CEREMONY | MARCH 14, 2025 | NOON
GARFIELD-PERRY MARCH PARTY STAMP SHOW | STRONGSVILLE, OHIO

Jun. 7 Three Oaks, Michigan US Flag

Regional event held during the annual local Flag Day festival and parade.



U.S. Flag (2025)

FIRST-DAY-OF-ISSUE CEREMONY | JUNE 7, 2025 | 11:30 A.M.
VICKERS THEATRE | THREE OAKS, MICHIGAN



Jun. 7 Three Oaks, Michigan US Flag



The U.S. Postal Service continues its long tradition of honoring the flag of the United States with a new stamp available in booklets of 20, panes of 20, and coils of 100, 3,000, and 10,000.

The stamp features an image of the Stars and Stripes, fluttered by a breeze, against a bright white background. Beneath the flag, "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA" has been rendered in blue type above a horizontal red line. "FOREVER / USA" appears along the bottom of the stamp in gray lettering.

The current American flag consists of 13 alternating horizontal stripes — seven red and six white—and 50 stars on a field of blue. The flag's 13 stripes represent the 13 colonies that declared independence from Great Britain, while the number of stars on the flag matches the number of states in the Union. The flag's 50th star was added on July 4, 1960, after Hawai'i became a state in 1959.

An enduring emblem of freedom, national unity, and patriotic spirit, Old Glory waves proudly outside government offices, schools, military bases, and USPS facilities. Flags stand watch over the Capitol Building in Washington, D.C., and encircle the base of the Washington Monument. Flag Day, first proclaimed by President Woodrow Wilson in 1916, is observed every year on June 14.

Art director Antonio Alcalá designed the stamp using a photograph by Doug Haight. The U.S. Flag stamp is being issued as a Forever® stamp. This Forever stamp will always be equal in value to the current First-Class Mail® one-ounce price.

U.S. Flag (2025)

FIRST-DAY-OF-ISSUE CEREMONY | JUNE 7, 2025 | 11:30 A.M.
VICKERS THEATRE | THREE OAKS, MICHIGAN

MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Jay Bigalke

Editor in Chief, Linn's Stamp News

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

Three Oaks American Legion

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Jess Oliver

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Flag Day Princess Lily Jaspering and Prince Creek Boersma

WELCOME

Zach Hackett

Owner, Vickers Theatre

STAMP DEDICATION

Donald Dombrow Jr.

Michigan 2 District Manager, U.S. Postal Service

UNVEILING

REMARKS

Jason Niemzyk

Three Oaks Village Council Member

Heather Whitlow

Flag Day Committee Member

Doug Haight

U.S. Flag 2025 stamp photographer

Tonia Stevens

Three Oaks, Michigan Postmaster, U.S. Postal Service

MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT

Donnie Isaacs

Country musician & member of the Center for American Military Music Opportunities

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Jay Bigalke



PROGRAM BY
LINN'S STAMP NEWS

Jun. 10 Kennebunkport, ME Barbara Bush



Music by Lisa, Jim and
Byran Band.

National ceremony.
Fire department
honor guard.



Held under a tent in
Ganny's Garden, a site
visited and supported
by Mrs. Bush.

Jun. 10 Kennebunkport, ME Barbara Bush



Alice Gonzalez Yates,
Master of Ceremonies,
CEO of George and
Barbara Bush
Foundation.



Featured speaker was
George W. Bush, 43rd
President, son of
Barbara.

Jun. 10

Kennebunkport, ME

Barbara Bush



Barbara Bush

Commemorative Forever® Stamp

Barbara Bush (1925–2018), the wife of the 41st president, George H. W. Bush, was first lady of the United States from 1989 to 1993, and mother of the 43rd president, George W. Bush. As the matriarch of one of the most successful political families in U.S. history, Mrs. Bush was a tireless advocate for literacy, while her plainspoken style and sharp sense of humor drew bipartisan respect around the country.

While first lady, she established the Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy, published the bestselling book *Home*, and fully pushed for

BARBARA BUSH

COMMEMORATIVE FOREVER® STAMP
FIRST DAY OF ISSUE DEDICATION CEREMONY

Ganny's Garden on the River Green
48 Ocean Avenue
Kennebunkport, ME 04048

MUSIC BY LISA, JIM & BYON BAND

MASTER OF CEREMONIES
Alice Gonzalez Yates
Chief Executive Officer
George & Barbara Bush Foundation

PRESENTATION OF COLORS
Kennebunkport Fire Department Honor Guard

NATIONAL ANTHEM
Women of Note

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DIGNITARIES

OFFICIAL STAMP DEDICATION
Doug Tulino
Acting Postmaster General and Chief Executive Officer
Chief Human Resources Officer
United States Postal Service

REMARKS
George W. Bush
43rd President of the United States

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Tuesday, June 10, 2025
11:00 AM

First Day of Issue Dedication Ceremony

#BarbaraBushStamp

FIRST DAY OF ISSUE

BARBARA BUSH

JUNE 10, 2025 • KENNEBUNKPORT, ME 04048



USPS 250

FIRST DAY OF ISSUE CEREMONY PROGRAM
★ CELEBRATING THE ART OF STAMPS ★



BARBARA BUSH

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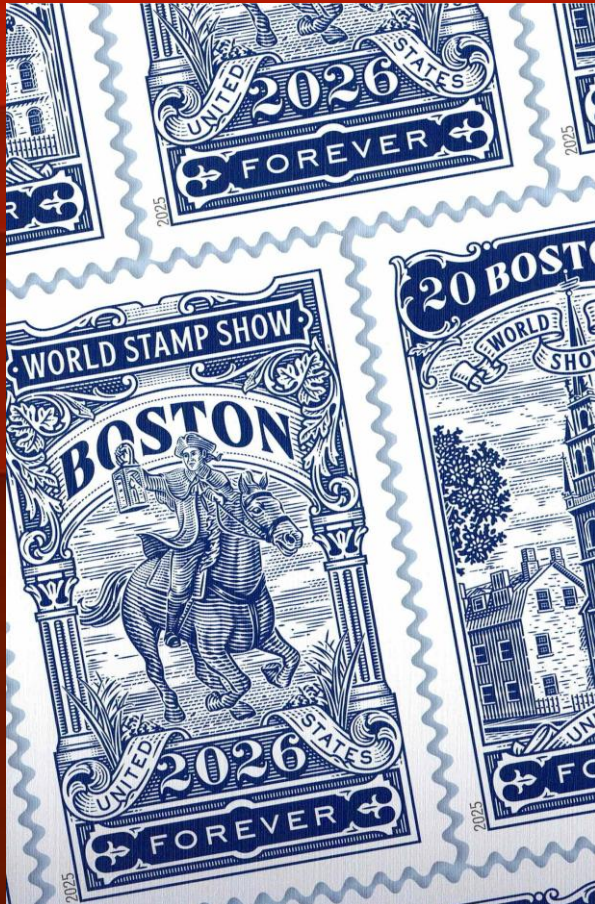
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Aug. 14 Schaumburg, IL Boston 2026 Commemoratives

Held at the APS/ATA/AFDCS Great American Stamp Show in the Chicago suburbs.



BOSTON 2026 WORLD STAMP SHOW

Commemorative Forever® Stamps

For one week in May 2026, the world capital of stamp collecting will be Boston, Massachusetts, host to the Boston 2026 World Expo, the 12th international philatelic exhibition of the United States. Issued to celebrate this once-per-decade extravaganza, these stamps also highlight the special role of Boston in the American Revolution as we prepare to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the founding of our nation.

This special event will offer rare and remarkable opportunities for stamp collectors to connect

in fellowship with colleagues and friends, build their collections, learn from experts, and fully immerse themselves in their hobby. For curious newcomers and the general public, the expo offers eye-catching displays of visually stunning stamps, opportunities to learn about other countries and their cultures, and a rich sense of tradition in a fun, family-friendly setting.

This highly anticipated expo celebrates, as no other event can, the confluence of art, education, history, and international goodwill.

FIRST DAY OF ISSUE DEDICATION CEREMONY

Thursday, August 14, 2025 | 11:00 a.m.

BOSTON 2026 WORLD STAMP SHOW

COMMEMORATIVE FOREVER® STAMPS
FIRST DAY OF ISSUE DEDICATION CEREMONY

MASTER OF CEREMONIES
Lloyd A. de Vries
President
American First Day Cover Society

PRESENTATION OF COLORS
Illinois Society Sons of the
American Revolution Color Guard

NATIONAL ANTHEM
Kalind Haynes
Mail Carrier, Chicago Loop Station
United States Postal Service

WELCOME
Kirk Gillis
Executive Director
American Philatelic Society

OFFICIAL STAMP DEDICATION
William G. Fraine
Senior Vice President, National Sales
United States Postal Service

REMARKS
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President
Boston 2026 World Stamp Show Expo

Elliot Gruber
Director
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Dawn Hamman
President
American Topical Association

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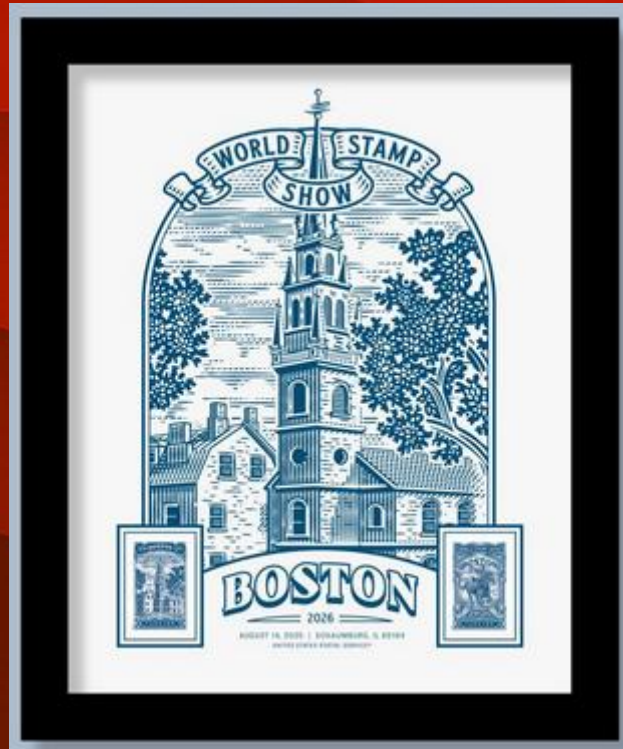


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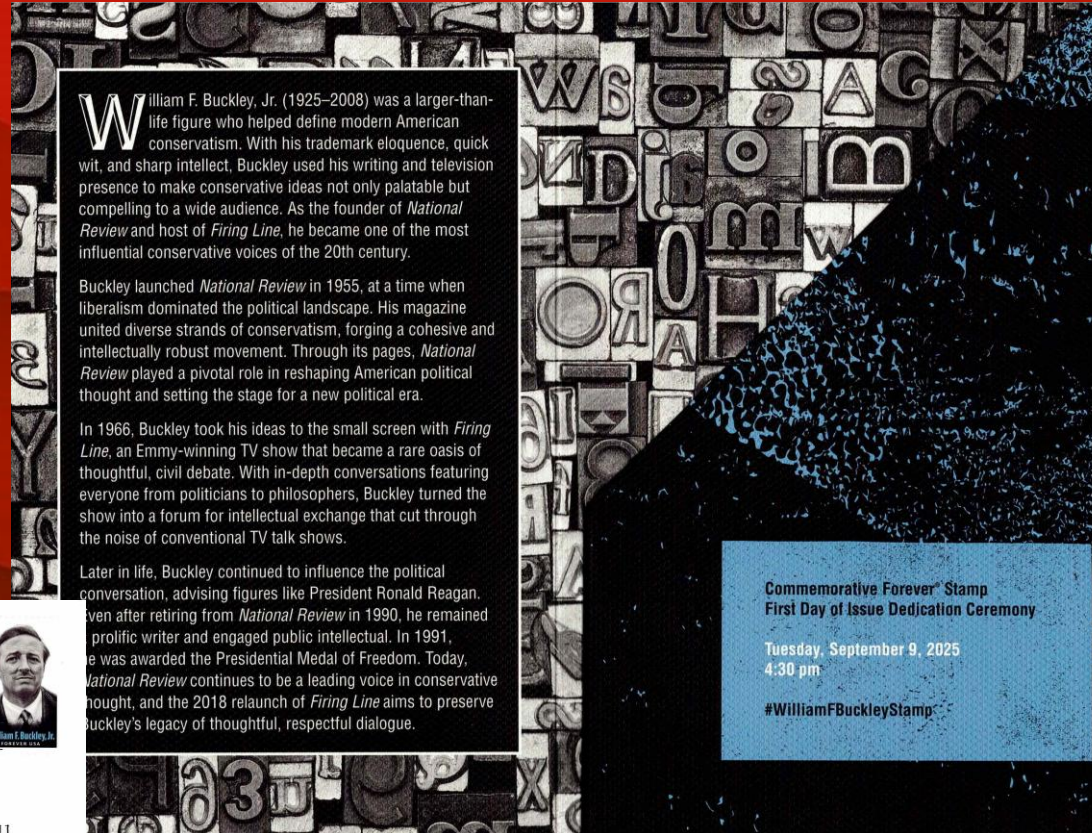
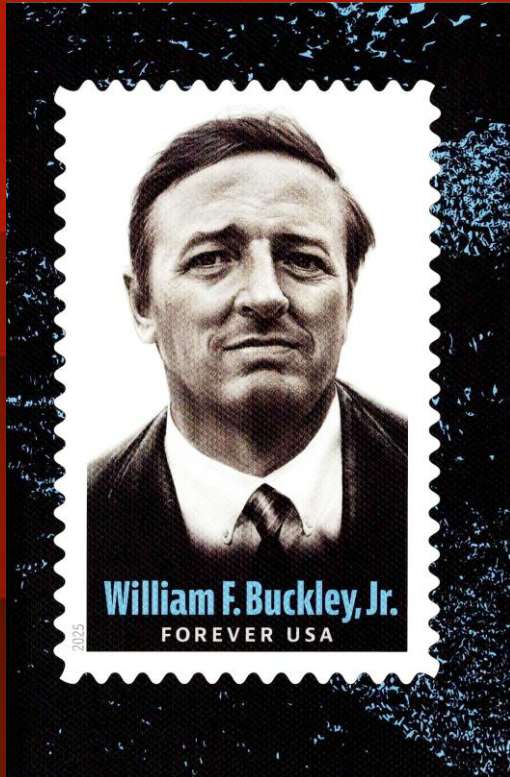
Aug. 14

Schaumburg, IL

Boston 2026



Sep. 9 New Haven, CT William F. Buckley, Jr.



FIRST DAY OF ISSUE
WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY, JR.
SEPTEMBER 9, 2025
NEW HAVEN, CT 06511



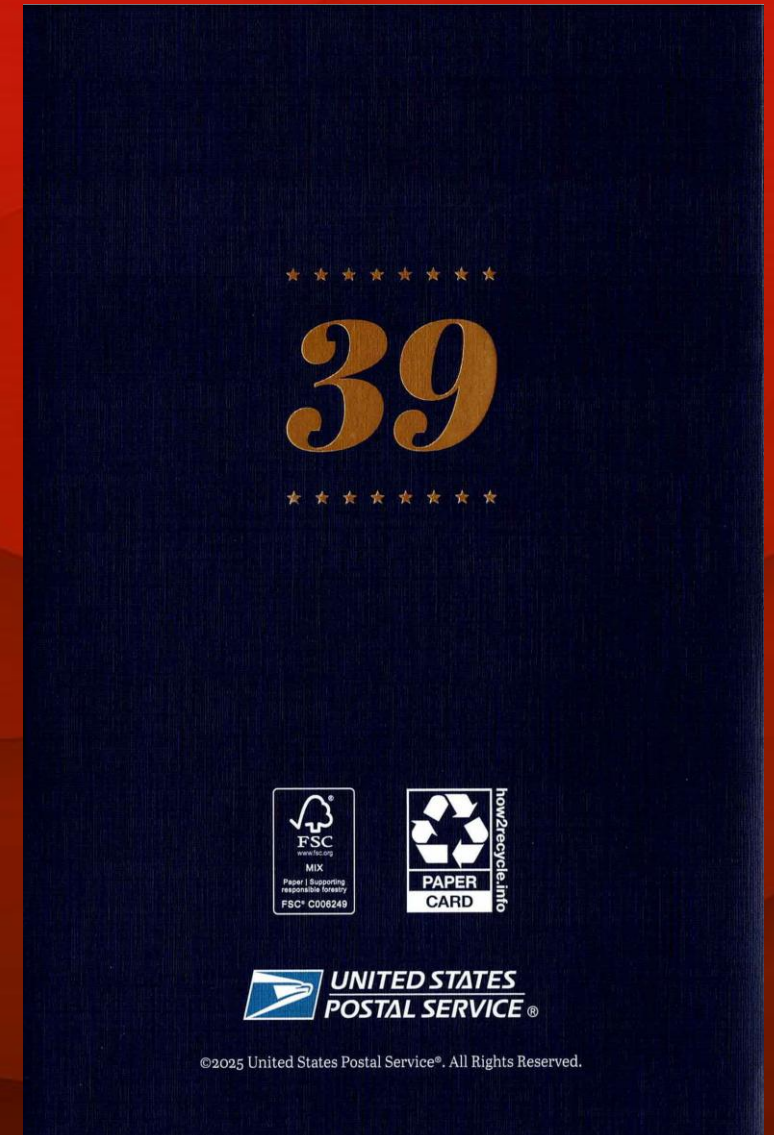
Unusual afternoon national ceremony held at Beinecke Plaza on the campus of Yale University.

Oct. 1

Atlanta, GA

Jimmy Carter

National ceremony held at The Carter Center in Atlanta on what would have been the 39th President's 101st birthday.



Oct. 1

Atlanta, GA

Jimmy Carter

JIMMY CARTER

COMMEMORATIVE FOREVER® STAMP

FIRST DAY OF ISSUE DEDICATION CEREMONY

The Carter Center
453 John Lewis Freedom Pkwy NE
Atlanta, GA 30307

MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Crystal Edmonson
Broadcast Editor
Atlanta Business Chronicle

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

Georgia State Patrol Honor Guard

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Morehouse College Quartet

WELCOME

Dr. Meredith R. Evans
Director

Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum

OFFICIAL STAMP DEDICATION

Thomas J. Marshall
General Counsel and Executive Vice President
United States Postal Service

Jimmy Carter

Commemorative Forever® Stamp

From his origins in small-town Georgia, President Jimmy Carter (1924–2024) came to the White House as an outsider representing a new generation of progressive Southern politicians.

Making humility, reconciliation, and frugality recurring themes in his presidency, Carter appointed more women and minorities to government positions than his predecessors combined, created a mental health commission, and dramatically increased the National Park System. Concerned with balancing the federal budget and controlling inflation, he presided over the deregulation of energy prices as well as industries such as air travel. On the world stage, he negotiated the Camp David Accords, signed the SALT II nuclear-arms treaty, and reestablished formal diplomatic relations with China.

Carter later established The Carter Center, a non-profit organization that advances human rights, promotes democracy, resolves conflict, prevents neglected tropical diseases in the world's poorest nations, and advances mental health. In 1982, Carter was named a distinguished professor at Emory University, and in 2002, he received the Nobel Peace Prize for his lifelong commitment to peace.

★ **First Day of Issue**
★ **Dedication Ceremony**
★
★ **Wednesday, October 1, 2025**
★ **11:00 AM**
★
★ **#JimmyCarterStamp**

REMARKS

Beth Davis
Chief Operating Officer
The Carter Center

MUSICAL PERFORMANCE
Morehouse College Quartet

REMARKS

Jason J. Carter
Grandson of Jimmy Carter
Chair of the Board of Trustees
The Carter Center

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