

## TOP HONOR FOR DR ANDREW CHEUNG AT PHILAKOREA 2009

Dr Andrew Cheung FRPSL, Chairman of Hong Kong Philatelic Society, scored high once again in Seoul last month. His prized exhibit "Postal History of Hong Kong and Treaty Ports" received Grand Prix d'Honneur, the highest attainable award in an international exhibition.

Dr Cheung first started collecting stamps after visiting the Hong Kong Festival Stamp Exhibition in 1971. In the beginning, he collected mainly Great Britain and USA and then later Hong Kong when he joined the Hong Kong Study Circle while studying in England. He first exhibited Hong Kong and the Treaty Ports in 1976 at county level and received second prize in youth class. After he returned to Hong Kong in 1986, he began to collect stamps and postal history of Hong Kong in earnest and received his first National Gold medal at Hongpex 1996. The exhibit, "Postal History of Hong Kong and the Treaty Ports" went on to win National Large Gold medal and Grand Prix at Kiwipex 97. At Hong Kong 97 Asian International Exhibition, the exhibit won a Large Gold and nomination for Grand Prix International. In the following years it received three more Large Gold medals from Singapex 98 (FIAP), Philexfrance 99 (FIP) and London 2000 (FIP).

Dr Cheung's other exhibits include "British Treaty Port Post Offices in China" (postal history class 3B), "Hong Kong Postage Dues" (traditional class), "French Post Offices in China" (postal history class 3A), "Russian Post Office in China – the overprinted issues" (traditional class) and "Disinfection of mail from China" (one-frame).

Dr Cheung has been a committee member of the Hong Kong Philatelic Society since 1996 and Chairman since 2003, FIAP juror since 2000 and FIP juror since 2006. At present, he is the Asian Bureau Member of the FIP Postal History Commission and FIAP Executive Committee member of Hong Kong.

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