

Hongkong Post to issue “Intangible Cultural Heritage – Dragon and Lion Dance” Special Stamps

(Issue Date: 23 February 2021)

This set of special stamps is designed by Mr Eric CHAN. The stamps and \$10 stamp sheetlet are printed in lithography whilst the \$20 stamp sheetlet is printed in lithography plus hot foil stamping by Cartor Security Printing, France. The mini-pane is printed in lithography plus hot foil stamping by Southern Colour Print, New Zealand.

Official First Day Covers have been put on sale at **\$2 each at all post offices** from **4 February 2021**. Display of the above-mentioned special stamps and associated philatelic products have been put up at General Post Office (GPO), Tsim Sha Tsui Post Office, Tsuen Wan Post Office, Sha Tin Central Post Office and Tuen Mun Central Post Office on 4 February 2021 for public’s view. Advance orders for servicing self-provided covers are accepted at all philatelic offices from 4 to 10 February 2021.

Sales Arrangements

Information about the sales arrangements is set out below:

<i>Products</i>	<i>Unit Selling Price</i>	<i>Sales Period</i>	<i>Maximum Purchase Quantity Per Queuing Customer for the First Two Days of Issue</i>
<i>(A) Products Available at <u>all Post Offices</u></i>			
First Day Cover	\$2	4 February 2021 to 22 May 2021	No restriction
Mint Stamps (a set of four stamps)	\$15.60	23 February 2021 to 22 May 2021	5 sheets of each denomination (viz. 125 stamps of each denomination)
Stamp Sheetlet (containing a \$10 stamp)	\$10		10 sheets
Stamp Sheetlet (Hot foil stamping, containing a \$20 stamp)	\$20		10 sheets
Mini-pane (containing two sets of stamps)	\$31.2		5 panes
Presentation Pack (containing a set of four stamps, a \$10 Stamp Sheetlet and a \$20 Stamp	\$70		5 packs

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<i>(B) Products Available at <u>Philatelic Offices</u> only</i>			
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a set of four stamps (date-stamped with associated special postmark)	\$20.10	23 February 2021 to 22 May 2021	5 covers
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a \$10 Stamp Sheetlet (date-stamped with associated special postmark)	\$14.50		5 covers
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a \$20 Stamp Sheetlet (date-stamped with associated special postmark)	\$24.50		5 covers

Date-stamping Arrangements

A hand-back date-stamping service using the office steel date-stamp and the special postmark will be provided on 23 February 2021 at all post offices for official/private-made covers bearing the first day of issue indication and a local address. All philatelic offices will also provide hand-back date-stamping service using the “Philatelic Bureau” pictorial postmark and the philatelic office pictorial postmark. The GPO-1 date-stamp will only be available at the GPO.

For the stamp issue to be launched throughout the period of the pandemic, Hongkong Post will implement a special sales arrangement to achieve social distancing and prevent crowds. These arrangements, which shall be applicable to this issue, include:

- 1) Ordering of stamp products on the website;
- 2) Collection points to be set up at all post offices on the issue date of the special stamps to facilitate the submission of order forms as well as first day covers requesting hand-back date-stamping service.

Information about this special stamp issue and associated philatelic products is available on the Hongkong Post Stamps website (stamps.hongkongpost.hk) or via Hongkong Post mobile app.