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New Christmas Stamp Features ‘Our Lady of Guápulo’

- WHAT:** The U.S. Postal Service will dedicate a Christmas stamp featuring a detail of “Our Lady of Guápulo,” an 18th-century oil painting.
- News of the stamps is being shared with hashtags **#ReligiousStamps** and **#ChristmasStamps**.
- WHO:** Angela Curtis, vice president, Retail and Post Office Operations, U.S. Postal Service
- Tey Marianna Nunn, director and chief curator, Art Museum and Visual Arts Program, National Hispanic Cultural Center
- WHEN:** Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2020, at 11:30 a.m. EDT
- WHERE:** The virtual stamp event will be hosted on the U.S. Postal Service’s Facebook and Twitter pages.
- For more information, visit usps.com/quapulo.
- A pictorial postmark of the First Day of Issue location in New York City is available at usps.com/stamps.
- BACKGROUND:** This Christmas stamp features a detail of “Our Lady of Guápulo.” Painted in the 18th century by an unknown artist in Cuzco, Peru, “Our Lady of Guápulo” is from the collection of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

Enrobed in a pyramidal gown speckled with jewels and holding a scepter woven with roses and leaves, a crowned Virgin Mary looks down at a similarly adorned Christ Child in her left arm. A red rosary ropes across the center of her dress and down to her right.

Art director Greg Breeding designed the stamp.

It is being issued as a Forever stamp, which will always be equal in value to the current First-Class Mail 1-ounce price.

Postal Products

Customers may purchase stamps and other philatelic products through the Postal Store at usps.com/shopstamps, by calling 800-STAMP24 (800-782-6724), by mail through [USA Philatelic](https://usa.philatelic.com), or at Post Office locations nationwide.

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