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A Revolutionary Moment in Time Is Coming to First-Class Mail

- What:** An event 250 years in the making. The U.S. Postal Service will release commemorative stamps honoring 25 individuals whose actions helped shape the outcome of the American Revolution.
- The pane of 25 Forever stamps includes portraits of individuals arranged in five rows of five.
- Ethel Kessler, an art director and designer for USPS, and illustrator Tim O'Brien created the pane using portraits made especially for the Postal Service by a dozen artists.
- The first-day-of-issue interactive event for the Figures of the American Revolution commemorative stamps is free and open to the public. News of the stamps is being shared with the hashtag **#FiguresRevolutionStamps**.
- Who:** Art director, Ethel Kessler
Artists, Dale Stephanos, Tim O'Brien, Marc Burckhardt, and Kam Mak
- When:** April 10, 2026, 11 a.m. ET through Sunday, April 12.
- Where:** Smithsonian National Postal Museum
2 Massachusetts Ave. NE
Washington, DC 20002
- RSVP:** Attendees are encouraged to RSVP at usps.com/figuresrevolutionstamps

Background: Support for American independence came from all levels of society. These stamps celebrate 25 people whose actions helped shape the American Revolution. The images depict various women and men, including Native Americans and African Americans. The portraits reflect just a small handful out of many who were instrumental in helping to achieve the nation's independence.

Postal Products: Customers may purchase stamps and other philatelic products through [The Postal Store](#) at usps.com/shopstamps, by calling 844-737-7826, by mail through [USA Philatelic](#) or at Post Office locations nationwide. For officially licensed stamp products, shop the [USPS Officially Licensed Collection on Amazon](#). Additional information on stamps, first-day-of-issue ceremonies and stamp-inspired products can be found at stampsforever.com.

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Please Note: The United States Postal Service is an independent federal establishment, mandated to be self-financing and to serve every American community through the affordable, reliable and secure delivery of mail and packages to more than 170 million addresses six and often seven days a week. Overseen by a bipartisan Board of Governors, the Postal Service is celebrating its 250th year of service to customers amidst a network modernization plan aimed at restoring long-term financial sustainability, improving service, and maintaining the organization as one of America's most valued and trusted brands.

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