

93RD STAMP DAY



Magyar Posta is issuing a pair of special stamps with different denominations and a numbered souvenir sheet with a surcharge to mark the 93rd Stamp Day, which will be held as a joint event with the 19th Temafila and 4th Aerofila Stamp Exhibitions at the Budapest headquarters of the National Federation of Hungarian Philatelists between 9 and 11 October 2020. The new issues designed by the graphic artist Barnabás Batcz were produced by ANY Security Printing Company and will be available at first day post offices and Filaposta in Hungary and may also be ordered from Magyar Posta's online store from 9 October 2020. Magyar Posta devotes the HUF 300 surcharge on each souvenir sheet to supporting organised stamp collecting in Hungary.

The stamps marking the 93rd Stamp Day commemorate the 150th anniversary of the birth of one of Hungary's most important stamp designers, Ferenc Helbing. The Hungarian graphic artist, painter and lithographer, who was born in Érsekújvár (now Nové Zámky, Slovakia) in 1870, was rector of Budapest's College of Art and Design for almost a decade. Helbing was considered a pioneer of Hungarian advertising art whose designs included Art Nouveau book illustrations, banknotes and coins, certificates and posters. He also designed the Crowned Madonna, which appears upside down in a misprint of the 5,000 korona denomination version, making this one of the most valuable Hungarian stamp rarities.

A portrait of Ferenc Helbing is featured in the stamp of the souvenir sheet. Details of the graphic artist's never realised stamp designs are shown on the stamps, the border of the sheet and the first day covers. The artist's signature is used for the special postmark.

Order code:

2020210050211 (set)
2020220030011 (sheet)
2020210060012 (set FDC)
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Issued on: 9 October 2020

Selling price: On the date of issue, the price of the stamps pays the postage of items as follows:

HUF 135: a domestic non-priority up to 50 g letter, postcard or picture postcard
HUF 185: a domestic priority up to 50 g letter, postcard or picture postcard
HUF 500: additional postage

Printing technique: 4-colour offset

Number of copies:

20,000 souvenir sheets, 50,000 sets

Perforated size of stamps:

Stamps of the set: 30 × 40 mm
Stamp of the souvenir sheet: 30 × 40 mm

Imperforate size of souvenir sheet: 90 × 70 mm

Paper type: Chromo gummed postage stamp paper

Printed by ANY Biztonsági Nyomda Nyrt.

Source: Stamp Museum

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