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## 2000 Years of Christianity



This souvenir sheet showing three icons was a joint issue with Belarus and Russia. Depicted from the left are: Our Lady Oranta, St. Sophia Cathedral, Kyiv; Christ Pantocrator in the Savior Church, Polotsk, Belarus; and the Volodymyr Madonna in the Tretyakov Gallery, Moscow, Russia. Interestingly, the latter two icons have Ukrainian connections. The image of Christ was supposedly painted by a Ukrainian master from Kyiv, while the Virgin and Child Madonna was taken from Kyiv by Prince Yuri Dolgoruky in the 12th century.

## Hetman Danylo Apostol



In 1727, Apostol was elected to be Hetman of the left-bank Ukraine. During his rule Ukraine and Cossack nobility increased their wealth and estates, and Ukraine was further incorporated into the Russian Empire. Danylo Apostol died in

## Ivan Samoylovych



Ivan Samoylovych was the Hetman of Left-bank Ukraine from 1672 to 1687. His term in office was marked by further incorporation of the Cossack Hetmanate into the nascent Russian Empire and by attempts to win the Right-bank



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## Opera Theaters In Ukraine



From top to bottom: the Taras Shevchenko National Academic Opera and Ballet Theater in Kyiv, the Odesa State Opera and Ballet Theater, the Mykola Lysenko State Academic Opera and Ballet Theater in Kharkiv, and the Ivan Franko National Academic Opera and Ballet Theater in Lviv.

## Oksana Petrusenko



Oksana Petrusenko was a Ukrainian opera singer. Her voice was so wonderful in her time that she was called Ukrainian nightingale.

## Marusia Churai



Marusia Churai was a semi mythical Ukrainian Baroque composer, poet, and singer. She has become a recurrent motif in Ukrainian literature and the songs ascribed to her are widely performed in Ukraine.



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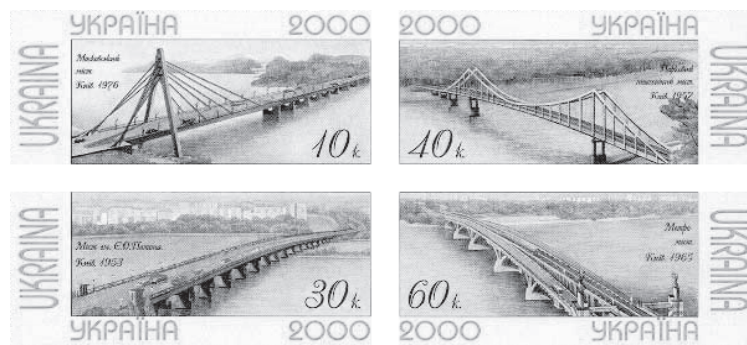


## Peresopnytsia Gospels



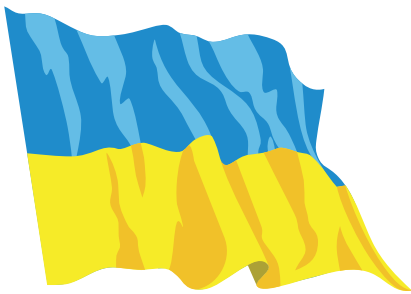
The Peresopnytsia Gospels dating from the 16th century, is one of the most intricate surviving East Slavic manuscripts. It was made between 15 August 1556 and 29 August 1561, at the Monastery of the Holy Trinity in Iziaslav, and the Monastery of the Mother of God in Peresopnytsia, Volyn'. The scribe was Mykhailo Vasyl'ovych, son of an archpriest from Sianik, who worked under the direction of Hryhorii, the archimandrite of the Peresopnytsia Monastery.

## Bridges of Kyiv



Shown are the Moscow Bridge (upper left 1976); the Pedestrian Bridge (upper right 1957), the Paton Bridge (lower left 1953); and the Metro (Subway) Bridge (lower right 1965).





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## Europa 2000



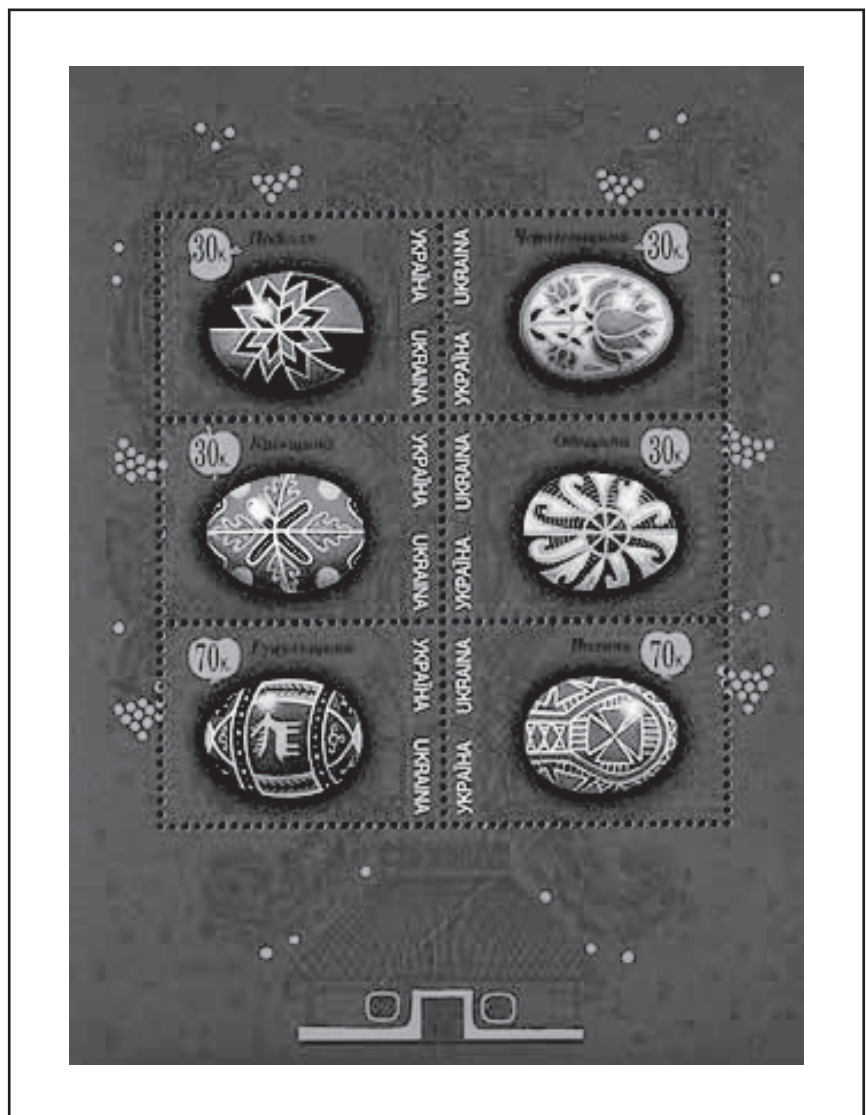
This stamp is a common design used by all of the Europa stamp-issuing countries in 2000.

## World Meteorological Organization



The WMO is a specialized agency of the United Nations. It is the UN system's authoritative voice on the state and behaviour of the Earth's atmosphere, its interaction with the oceans, the climate it produces and the resulting distribution of water resources.

## Pysanky (Easter Eggs)



This souvenir sheet shows six different Easter eggs from various parts of Ukraine. Designs from Podillia (upper left), Chernihiv (upper right), Kyiv (middle left), Odesa (middle right), Hutsulschyna (lower left), and Volyn (lower right) are shown.



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## Donetsk Oblast



Donetsk Oblast is located in southeastern Ukraine. The area of the oblast (26,900 km<sup>2</sup>), comprises about 4.4% of the total area of the country.

## National Philatelic Exhibition



The National Philatelic Exhibition took place in Donetsk and was titled "Donbas - Miner's Country". This was Ukraine's sixth national exhibit.

## Kyiv



Kyiv is the capital and the largest city of Ukraine, located in the north central part of the country on the Dnieper River. The population as of the 2001 census was 2,611,300.

## Volyn Oblast



Volyn Oblast is an oblast (province) in north-western Ukraine. It dates back to 981 AD.

## Dubno



Dubno is a 900 year old city located on the Ikva River in the Rivne Oblast of western Ukraine. The stamp shows a ruined defensive tower from the curtain walls of the medieval city along with the city crest.

## Ostroh



Ostroh is a historic city located in Rivne Oblast of western Ukraine, located on the Horyn River. The historic city dates back to 1100 AD.

## Obzhynky



Obzhynky is a harvest ritual. This stamp depicts a harvest queen holding a bouquet fashioned out of wheat stalks.



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## Ship Building in Ukraine



To celebrate the art of ship building in Ukraine, two stamps were issued. Depicted are two tall ships: the ship of the line St. Paul and the frigate St. Nicholas.

## Tetyana Pata



Tetyana Pata (1884–1976) was one of the outstanding representatives of the Petrykivka decorative style of painting. Pictured on the left is a flower watercolor and on the right a flower and bird watercolor.

## International Philatelic Exhibitions



This unusual-format issue was prepared to promote Marka Ukrainy's participation in WIPA 2000 (Vienna) and The Stamp Show 2000 (London). Depicted are whimsical characters in folk attire sending and receiving mail.



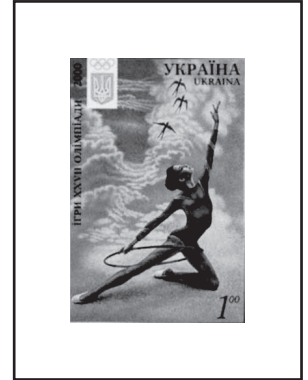
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## 27th Summer Olympics



These stamps were issued to commemorate the games of the 27th Olympiad in Sydney, Australia. Events depicted are high jump, boxing, sailing and rhythmic gymnastics.

## Yuriy Drohobych Kotermak



Yuriy Drohobych Kotermak, 1450-1494. Renowned scientist (astronomer and doctor of medicine) who taught Nicholas Copernicus at the University of Krakow.

## Happy New Year.



Father Frost crossing between two worlds symbolizes the transition from one millennium to the next.

## Petro Prokopovych



Petro Prokopovych was the founder of commercial beekeeping. He introduced a number of innovations in beekeeping. Among his most important inventions was a frame in separate honey chamber of his beehive.

## Kyiv Post Office



This stamp was issued to commemorate the 225th Anniversary of the Kyiv Post Office. Side archways show silhouettes of a gentleman and a lady in late 19th century costumes; the central scene shows the old post office building.

## Autonomous Republic of Crimea



Crimea is a sub-national unit, an autonomous republic, of Ukraine. It is located on the northern coast of the Black Sea, occupying a peninsula of the same name. It was often referred to with the definite article, as the Crimea, until well into the 20th century.





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## Official Symbols of the Head of State



Blue-gold design shows (clockwise from upper left): president's banner, president's mace, the presidential badge and president's seal.

## Red Book Endangered Species



Amphibians from the "Red Book" of Endangered Species. A common newt is shown on the left and a fire salamander on the right.



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## Carpathian National Nature Park

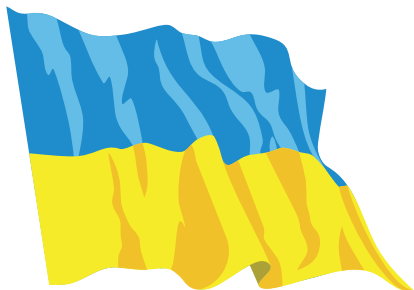


A scene of the park in Ivano-Frankivsk Oblast is shown. Mount Breskul is in the left stamp and Mount Hoverla, Ukraine's tallest peak, on the right stamp.

## St. Volodymyr the Great



St. Volodymyr the Great was the ruler of medieval Ukraine who made Christianity the official religion of Kyivan-Rus'. Wearing kingly regalia, he holds a sword in his left hand, while supporting a cross with his right.



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## Flowers of Ukraine



A woman in traditional Ukrainian attire is pictured. In her headdress the following flowers are presented: marigold, chamomile, hollyhock, poppy (first row); periwinkle and cornflower (second row). The third row at the bottom of the sheet has: morning glory, lily, peony and blue bells.



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## Resurrection Church



Resurrection Church is located in the town of Sumy. It was built in the 18th century.

## Church of St. Onuphrius



The Basilian monastery and Greek Catholic church of St. Onuphrius in Lviv dates back to the 13th century. The monastery was built during the 15th century.

## Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Church



The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Church is located in the town of Velyke. It was built in the 17th century.

## Animated Children's Folk Tales



This set features 3 different children's folk tales: "Ivashko-Telesyk," "The Crooked Duck" and "The Cat and the Rooster."

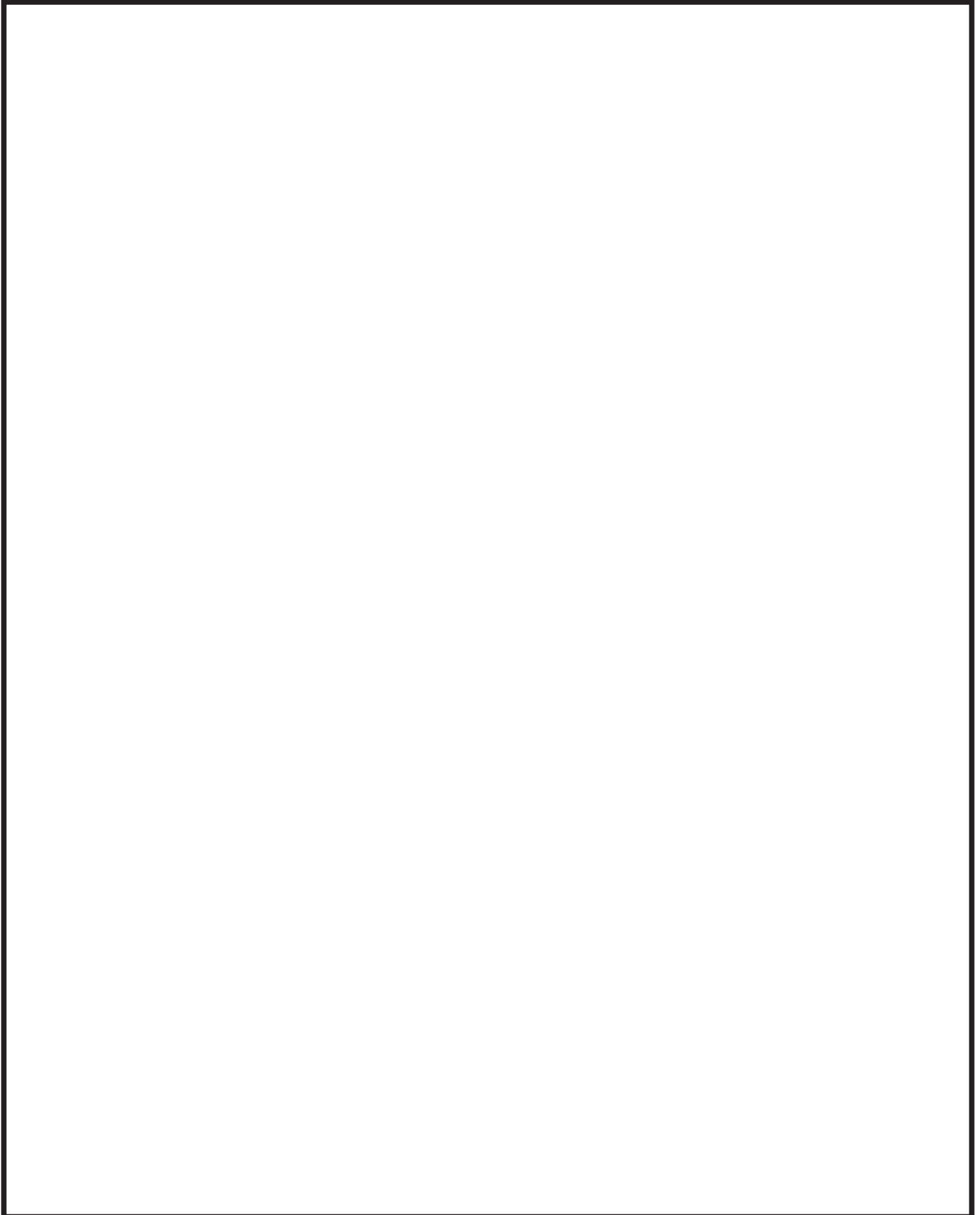




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