

# EVENTS OF 1949

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- US recognizes the state of Israel.
- Truman proposes Point Four program to help world's less developed areas (Jan. 20).
- Twelve nations sign the North Atlantic Treaty establishing NATO (Apr. 4).
- Commercial TV begins in the United States.

The United States post office issued the following number of stamps in 1949:

- 6 Commemoratives
- 8 Airmail
- 1 Airmail Postal Stationary

Name of Stamp	Stamp Issue Date	City Stamp Was Issued From
<b>Commemoratives</b>		
Minnesota Territory 3c	March 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Saint Paul, Minnesota
Washington & Lee University 3c	April 12 <sup>th</sup>	Lexington, Virginia
Puerto Rico 3c	April 27 <sup>th</sup>	San Juan, Puerto Rico
Annapolis, Maryland 3c	May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Annapolis, Maryland
Grand Army of the Republic 3c	August 29 <sup>th</sup>	Indianapolis, Indiana
Edger A. Poe 3c	October 7 <sup>th</sup>	Richmond, Virginia
<b>Airmail</b>		
American Eagle 4c Postal Card	January 10 <sup>th</sup>	Washington, D.C.
DC-4 Skymaster 6c redesign of 1947 5c Issue	January 18 <sup>th</sup>	Washington, D.C.
Alexandria, Virginia Bicentennial 6c	May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Alexandria, Virginia
DC-4 Skymaster 6c - coil	August 25 <sup>th</sup>	Washington, D.C.
75 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Postal Union 15c	October 7 <sup>th</sup>	Chicago, Illinois
DC-4 Skymaster 6c booklet	November 18 <sup>th</sup>	New York, New York
75 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Postal Union 10c	November 18 <sup>th</sup>	New Orleans, Louisiana
75 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Postal Union 25c	November 30 <sup>th</sup>	Seattle, Washington
Wilber & Orville Wright 6c	December 17 <sup>th</sup>	Kitty Hawk, North Carolina

This custom stamp album contains the following categories of stamps:

- Single mint
- Mint plate blocks
- Mint complete booklet
- Mint booklet pain
- First day of issue cover
- Postal Stationary

Each stamp within the album has a caption about the stamp.



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**Minnesota Territory - 3¢ Blue Green issue date March 3, 1949.** This stamp was issued to commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of the Minnesota Territory.

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**Washington and Lee University - 3¢ Ultramarine issue date April 12, 1949.** This issue commemorates the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the Washington and Lee University at Lexington, Virginia.

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**Puerto Rico Election - 3¢ Green issue date April 27, 1949.** To commemorate the first gubernatorial election in the territory of Puerto Rico. Pictured is a Puerto Rican farmer holding a cogwheel and ballot box.

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**Annapolis, Maryland Tercentenary - 3¢ Aquamarine issue date May 23, 1949.** This stamp was issued to commemorate the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the city of Annapolis in Maryland.



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**Edgar Allan Poe - 3¢ Bright red violet,**  
**issue date October 7, 1949.** This stamp  
was issued in remembrance of the 100<sup>th</sup>  
anniversary of the death of the Boston  
born poet and story writer Edgar Allan  
Poe.

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**Grand Army of the Republic - 3¢ Bright Rose Carmine issue date August 29, 1949.** This stamp was issued to commemorate the final national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic in Indianapolis, Indiana from August 28 to September 1, 1949

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American Eagle Post Card - 4c Rose Carmine issue date January 10, 1949  
Washington D.C.

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Wet Printing-Plate # up to 25339



Dry Printing-Plate # Starting at 25340 & up



DC-4 Skymaster - 6c Carmine issue date January 18, 1949. This stamp was issued to conform to the increase of the airmail postage rate from 5c to 6c. There were two processes used in the printing of this stamp the "Dry" and "Wet" methods.





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**Alexandria, Virginia Bicentennial - 6c Carmine issue date May 11, 1949.**

Commemorates the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of Alexandria, Virginia. The stamp design illustrates the home of John Carlyle (city founder) and Gadsby's Tavern a one-time meeting place frequented by George Washington and John Paul Jones.

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**DC-4 Skymaster - 6c Carmine issue date August 25, 1949.** This stamp was issued in a coil format.

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**75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Universal Postal Union Centenary - 15¢ Light Blue issue date October 7, 1949.** This the second stamp honoring the formation of the Universal Postal Union which was founded as an independent international agency and whose headquarters is in Byrne, Switzerland

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Wet Printing Method



Dry Printing Method



**DC-4 Skymaster - 6c Carmine Booklet issue date November 18, 1949.** This was the first time this stamp was issued in a booklet format. There were two processes used in the printing of this stamp the "Dry" and "Wet" methods.





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**75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Universal Postal Union Centenary - 10c Violet stamp issue date November 18, 1949.** This is the first in a series of three issues celebrating the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the formation of the Universal postal union. The design features the Post Office Department Building.

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**75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Universal Postal Union Centenary - 25¢ Rose Carmine stamp issue date November 30, 1949.** This is the third in a series of three issues celebrating the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the formation of the Universal Postal Union. This Postal Union is presently a specialized agency of the United Nations and is dedicated to improving international postal services.

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**Wright Brothers - 6c Magenta stamp issue date December 17, 1949.**

Commemorates the 46<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first successful flight of a heavier-than-air powered aircraft. The flight took place on December 17, 1903 at 10:30 a.m. at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina.

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