

Alfred F. Lichtenstein Memorial Award



The recipient of the Alfred F. Lichtenstein Memorial Award for 1971 was Dr. Soichi Ichida, noted philatelic student of Japan. Dr. Ichida has done research work on the Dragon stamps of Japan, 1871-72, the Cherry Blossom issues of Japan, 1872-76, the 6 Sen violet brown Native Paper, 1874, and the 1 Sen blue Native Paper, 1872.

His collection of the Cherry Blossom issues of Japan was exhibited at Sipex, 1966, 'hors concours', and was awarded a small gold medal at Amphilex 1967. His collection of the 6 Sen violet brown Native Paper was exhibited at Praga and Efimex, 1968, 'hors concours'. Dr. Ichida has formed a collection of the stamps of Japan and its foreign mails. His early collection of Japanese was exhibited at Wipa, 1965, and at Philympia. 1970, in the Court of Honor, while the collection of Foreign Mails of Japan was exhibited at Praga, 1968, in the Court of Honor.

Dr. Ichida has been representative of the Japan Philatelist Congress to F.I.P. since 1968 and has been the chief organiser of national exhibitions since 1960. He has been President of the All Japan Philatelic Federation since 1955, representative of Japan Philatelic since 1968 and on the Council of F.I.P. since 1969.

Dr. Ichida has served on international juries since 1965 and on the jury of national exhibitions since 1955. He was Chairman of the Executive Committee for Philatokyo, 1971.

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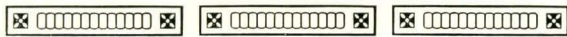
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He has published 'Pleasure of Philately' (first and second volumes) and is actively engaged in the study group of early Japanese stamps.

He was Born in 1910, graduated at Kyushu Imperial University, metallurgical faculty. At present is the president of Japan Special Section Steel Co., Ltd.; Doctor of Engineering and a specialist of "Application of Oxygen on Steel Making."

He collected stamps since a schoolboy, but interrupted up to 1950 and started again based on the general collection of his late father. Concentrated in Japan, U. S. A. and British Colonies for a while and began his study on the classic Japan.

Member 1960-1964 Japan Olympic Committee; Executive Member of International Federation of Football Association (FIFA) 1958-1962; Adviser of Japan Football Association since 1955.



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