

OSCAR FOR PHILATELY 2004 TO PAOLO VACCARI

"For his constant work in spreading philately and postal history, as a publisher and as a writer of volumes, with particular reference to the issues of Este territories in the Duchy of Modena and Reggio."

This is the reason for which the philatelic numismatic Club of Reggio Emilia awarded the prestigious Oscar for philately to Paolo Vaccari.

Paolo Vaccari, for forty years lover and expert of the field, publisher and author of important works such as *Modena 1852-2002 - 150*° *anniversario dei francobolli estensi - catalogo ufficiale della mostra* (Modena 1852-2002 - 150th anniversary of Este postage stamps - Official catalogue of the exhibition), was particularly pleased "because with people from Reggio in common there are really the postage stamps I know better and on which I am specialised".

During his almost thirty years' activity, started in 1977 with the reprint of the volume by Emilio Diena *I francobolli del Ducato di Modena e delle Provincie Modenesi* (Postage stamps of the Duchy of Modena and of Modena provinces), Paolo Vaccari has constantly contributed in spreading the philatelic and postal historical culture thanks to his professional nature and passion.

He is enrolled in the Rolls of Veterans of Philately from 1980 (at that time he had already taken part in seminars, specialised studies, organization of exhibitions, etc. for thirty years); he is a member of Club Elite de la Philatélie of Montecarlo, chaired by Prince Ranieri, club with a maximum number of the 100 best experts of philately in the world; he is enrolled in Académie Européenne de Philatélie and in several other less important associations.

Some of the most important works edited or written by Paolo Vaccari:

- Catalogo Vaccari 2004-2005 Francobolli e storia postale Antichi Stati Italiani, Governi Provvisori, Regno d'Italia 1850 1900 (Vaccari Catalogue 2004-2005 Postage stamps and postal history Italian States, Provisional Governments, Kingdom of Italy 1850-1900) catalogue with real market prices at its XI edition;
- *Il catalogo degli annulli numerali italiani 1866 1889* (Italian numeral cancellations catalogue 1866-1889);
- MODENA 1852-2002 150° Anniversario dei francobolli estensi Catalogo ufficiale della mostra (Modena 1852-2002 150th anniversary of Este postage stamps Official catalogue of the exhibition);
- *Modena francobolli e annullamenti 1852-1863* (Modena postage stamps and cancellations 1852-1863);
- Regno di Sardegna Regno d'Italia 1855-1863 Tavole dei Colori (Kingdom of Sardinia Kingdom of Italy 1855-1863 Colour plates);
- Vaccari Magazine Rivista di informazione filatelica e storico postale www.vaccarimagazine.it a six-month magazine whose publication started in 1989 Paolo Vaccari is its chief editor and author of several articles and columns such as *Postage Stamps of 1800*.

To have more information visit *The Philatelic Bookshop* at www.vaccari.it or click http://www.vaccari.it/ 2 editoria/libfila/showfila.htm?method=autore&valore=VACCARI





Held Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 September, this appointment is part of the traditional national philatelic meeting organized by the philatelic numismatic Club together with the postal telegraphic and telephonic Club.

On Saturday night, Dr. Franco Filanci explained that the Oscar is awarded as a recognition of the activity in the philatelic and postal historical field. Moreover, he introduced Paolo Vaccari as a very important representative of the philatelic world.

The Oscar was consigned by the Director of the State Archives of Reggio Emilia.