

“DIALOGUE AMONG NATIONS”

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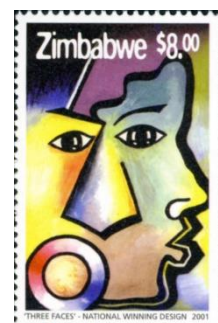
In 1999 an International Stamp Design Competition was organised by the Universal Postal Union to promote the United Nations Year for the 'Dialogue Among Nations' and entries from 28 world countries were received.

All designs were submitted to the Universal Postal Union's International stamp-design competition after having won national competitions called for by the postal administrations of the respective countries.

A design by 21 year old, Nation Mandla Mguni of Bulawayo which was named 'Three Faces' was entered as the Zimbabwean National entry. His design has been chosen as a Zimbabwean national design to be issued along with the international Winning design from Slovenia.

\$8.00: The Zimbabwean entry (Open Category National winning design)

Designed and entered by Nation Mandla Mguni of Bulawayo is named 'Three Faces' and depicts three different race's, black, coloured and white seeking solutions to common problems such as poverty, disease, wars and natural disasters. The three faces also allude to hope for a better future. They share the eyes as they see from a common point of view.



\$21.00: The Slovenian entry (International winning design)

The design was the international winning entry designed and entered by 27 year old Urska Golob who comes from the small town of Slovenj Gradec in Slovenia. Her winning design depicts the children of the four main races of the world: north - white, east - yellow, south -black and west - red. Through the use of the letters, parcels and telephones, the design emphasizes the importance of communication among people while at the same time highlights the role of the post.



Zimbabwe Competition: Semi-finalist Open Category: George Nene. Used in Bulletin



Zimbabwe Competition: Junior Category: Rutendo Chimukuche. Used on FDC

Catalogue listings

SG	ZSC ¹	Value	Description
1064	491	\$8.00	“Three Faces” – National winning design
1065	492	\$21.00	International winning design - Slovenia

Technical details

Stamp size:	All values	28 x 42 mm	
Sheet Size:	40 stamps (5 rows of 8 stamps), two panes per printed sheet		
Artist:	\$8.00 – Nation Mandla Mguni \$21.00 – Urska Golob Airbrushed by Darren Herbert		
Paper:	ZSC paper type G – Phosphor coated paper. The phosphor is possibly copper-activated zinc sulphide which exhibits a short yellow-green afterglow and a long white afterglow following excitation by UV. The long white afterglow may also be seen when the phosphor has been activated by ordinary candescent or fluorescent light. The paper coating itself fluoresces yellowish-cream under UV, back non-fluorescent		
Print colours:	Cyan, magenta, yellow & black		
Perforations:	SG 14½, ZSC 14¼ Left margin: Perforated through. Other margins: Imperforate		
Printer:	NatPrint, Harare, Zimbabwe		
Printer’s Imprint:	Bottom Margin, below Row 5 Columns 4 & 5. Imprint printed in black		
Cylinder numbers:	Bottom margin below R5/1. Colours from left – cyan, magenta, yellow, black		
Colour register:	Type TL 4– round boxed – left margin opposite R5/1. Colours reading down – cyan, magenta, yellow, black		
Sheet Value:	Bottom margin, below R5/8, printed in black.		
Sheet Number:	Type SN 4a with ‘PTC’ prefix, right margin opposite R5/8, reading down		
Print numbers:	\$8.00	2,500,000	\$21.00 376,000

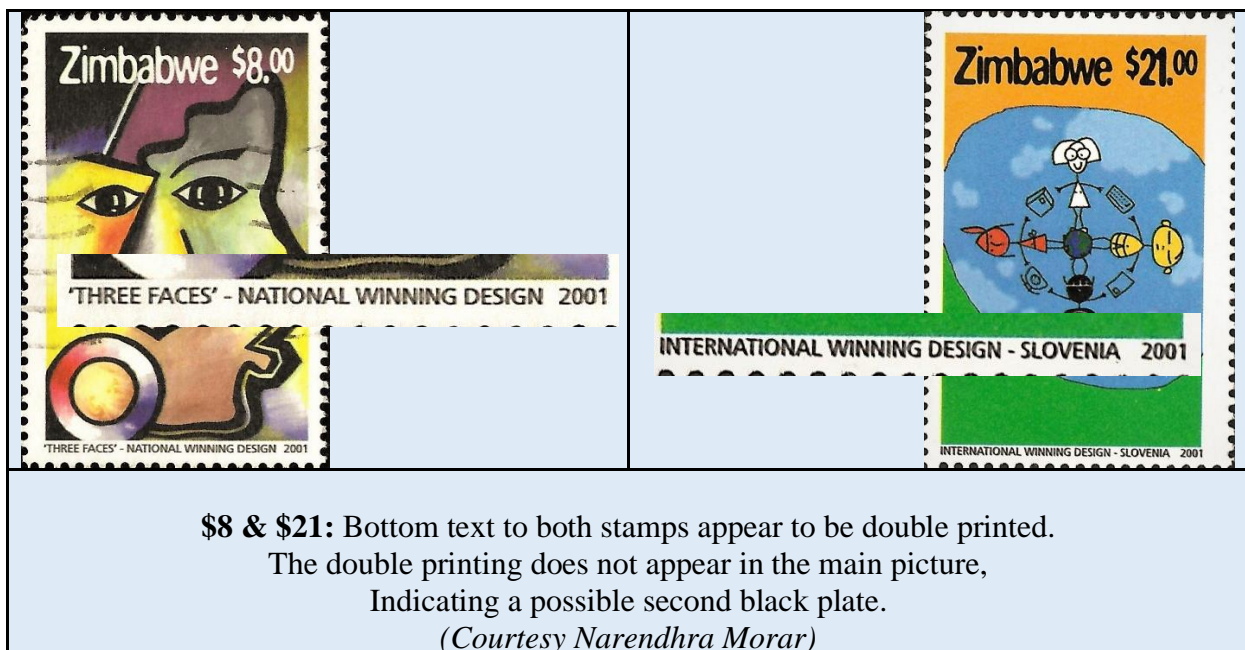
Issue date: 7th August, 2001

Listed varieties

No listed varieties have been noted

Unlisted Varieties

There are numerous small dots and specks in the printing of these stamps, particularly in the backgrounds. None reported to date.



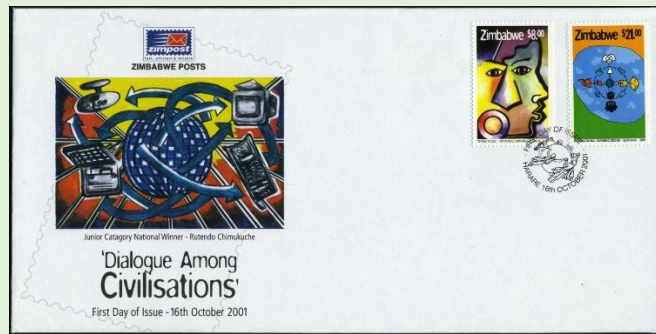
First Day Cover

The cover numbering comes from the catalogue produced by Geoff Brakspear.

A pictorial first day of issue canceller was produced for this issued and was used by the Philatelic Bureau. Other first day cover cancellers continued to be used at main post offices.



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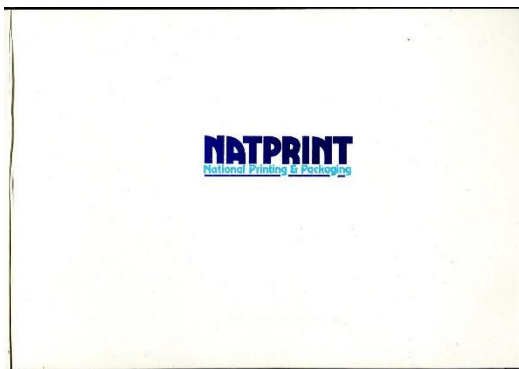
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Related Material

Natprint Proof Presentation Cards

Presentation cards produced by Natprint with imperforate proofs of the stamps to be issued. The presentation cards were forwarded to the PTC for approval of the final product.

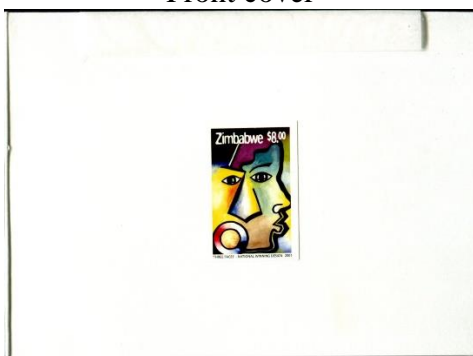
(Courtesy of Jefferson Ritson)



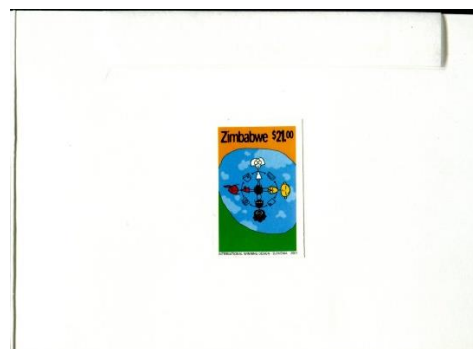
Front cover



Inside front cover



\$8 stamp



\$21 stamp

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