

ANTI HIV & AIDS CAMPAIGN

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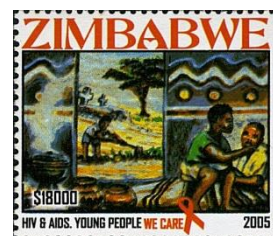
(Extracted from Philatelic Bureau Bulletin No 6 of 2005)²

The two stamps, this bulletin cover and the first day cover envelope artwork are the result of a stamp design competition which was held over the course of 2004. The artwork was to depict the effects that HIV and AIDS is having on Zimbabwean communities focussing on the theme, "HIV & AIDS. Young People We Care"

\$18 000

Designed by John Ndlovu. Age 46 years.

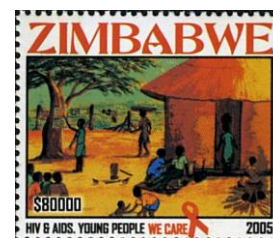
This painting depicts the cooperation that is needed in order to fight the pandemic. We have to work the fields for crops while others attend to the sick, cleaning, feeding, cooking. Unfortunately, as the cemeteries fill up they too must be cleaned and the bereaved families comforted and assisted.



\$80 000

Designed by Chengetai Nyika. Age 12 years.

Far to the left is a boy teaching about HIV & AIDS to members of the community. In the background is a boy working in a nutrition garden, another project by children. The girl in grey brings firewood to the patient's home. Sitting near the door is the AIDS patient. A girl is feeding him and helping him take his drugs. The girl entering the hut is bringing water from the well. Another girl seen cooking for the patient and his family. In the foreground a boy is seen bathing the patient's baby.



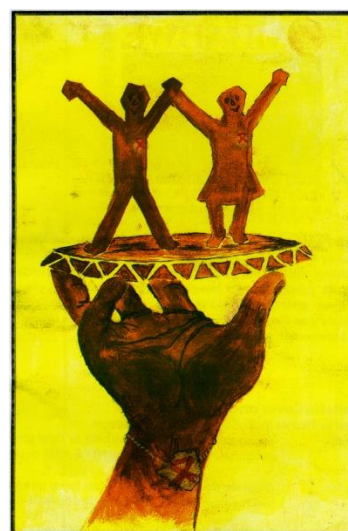
The Bulletin Cover and First Day Cover

Designed by Thanks Mukonowatsauka Age 20 years.

The Hand: Young people together can help to fight stigma and discrimination and with unity, their effort can build better ways and light the way in preventing HIV & AIDS or supporting those who are already affected by AIDS.

The Bowl: What we do as a community can bring us together. Community services such as action groups who walk around teaching, fund raisings to help those affected by AIDS financially.

The Happy Faces: For the affected to live a hopeful life. Young people should help to fight two common forms of stigma - teasing and social isolation by peers.



Catalogue listings

SG	ZSC ¹	Value	Description
1176	599	\$18,000	Man working in fields and woman looking after AIDS patient
1177	600	\$80,000	Children looking after AIDS patient and boy teaching

Technical details

Stamp size:	Sheet stamps: 35 x 30 mm
Sheet Size:	50 stamps (5 rows of 10 stamps), two panes per printed sheet
Artist:	Artists: John Ndlovu - \$18,000 & Chengetai Nyika - \$80,000
Paper:	ZSC paper type J: paper described by Zimpost as “Chancellor Litho PVA Gummed Postage Stamp Paper”. This paper is produced by Tullis Russell Coaters of Glenrothes, Fife, Scotland. Under UV there is no fluorescence either front or back, the stamp appears to be very dark
Print colours:	Cyan, magenta, yellow & black
Perforations:	SG 14½ x 14, ZSC 14¼ x 14 Top margin: Perforated through Other margins: Imperforate
Printer:	NatPrint, Harare, Zimbabwe
Printer’s Imprint:	Bottom Margin, below Row 10 Column 3. Imprint printed in black
Cylinder numbers:	Top margin above R1/1. Colours from left – cyan, magenta, yellow, black
Colour register:	Type TL 4– round boxed – left margin opposite R1/1. Colours reading down – cyan, magenta, yellow, black
Sheet Value:	Top margin, above R1/5, printed in black
Sheet Number:	Type SN 7 with printed ‘ZIMPOST’ prefix, right margin opposite R1/5, reading down
Print numbers:	\$18,000 450,000 \$80,000 62,000
Issue date:	1 st December, 2005

Postal Rates

The postage rates used were current for basic local and air mail rate for Africa effective from 10th October 2005.

Listed varieties

No listed varieties have been noted.

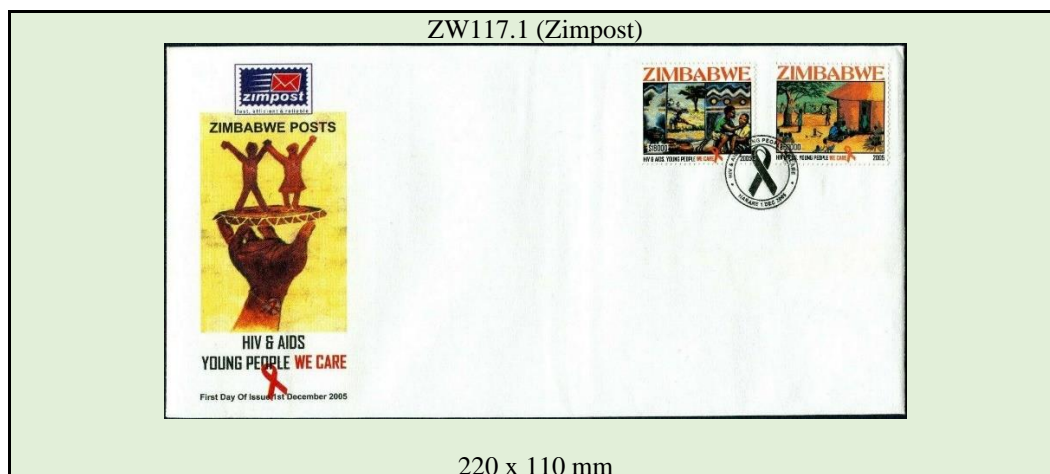
Unlisted Varieties

There are numerous small dots and specks in the printing of these stamps, particularly in the backgrounds. Some colour variations have been noted for this issue, this is considered normal. No significant varieties have been reported.

First Day Cover

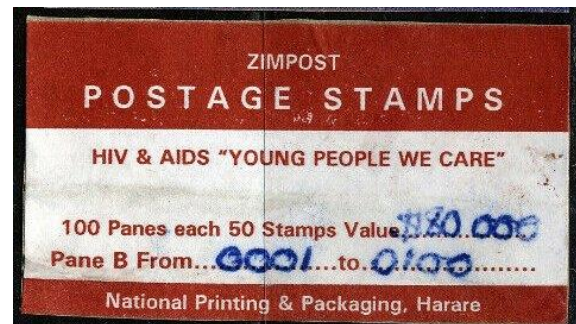
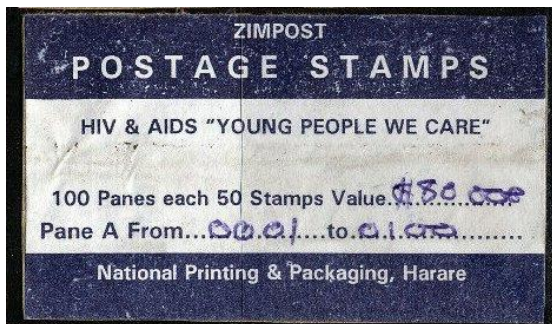
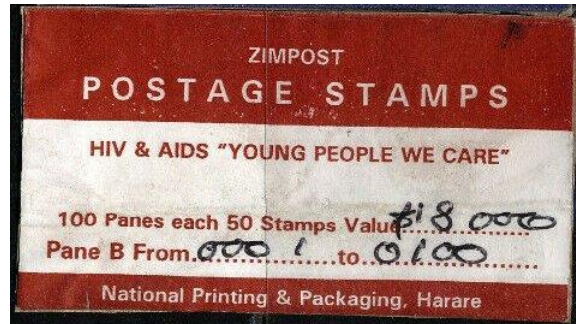
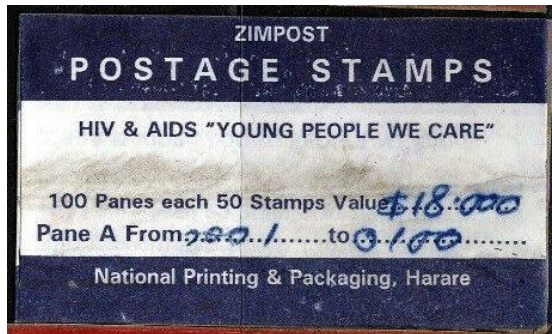
The cover numbering comes from the catalogue produced by Geoff Brakspear.

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.



Related material.

Delivery Labels from packaging containing sheets of 100 stamps. Both values are represented below, with the Cylinder 1A sheets having blue labels and 1B brown labels. All labels are for sheet numbers 0001 to 0100.



Source eBay

Bibliography:

1. "The Zimbabwean Concise Postage Stamp Catalogue", published by Harare Stamp Company, edited by Ken Allanson, Mike Amos and Geoff Brakspear. The catalogue continues to be updated and expanded by Geoff Brakspear
2. Zimbabwe Post, Philatelic Bureau Bulletin No 6 of 2005