

SUN YAT-SEN MEMORIAL HALL AT ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY, QUEENS, NEW YORK
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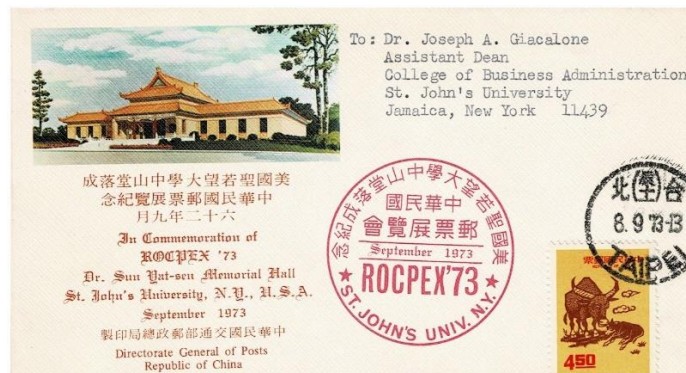
Sun Yat-Sen was one of the world's great leaders in the first half of the 20th century. He led the revolution that brought down the Chinese monarchy and created a democratic nation. As such, he has been greatly honored in a wide variety of ways including philatelic recognition. The United States has issued two stamps according such recognition. Scott #906, China Resistance, features portraits of Abraham Lincoln and Sun Yat-Sen. Scott #1188, issued in 1961 for the 50th anniversary of the 1911 revolution, is a portrait of Sun Yat-Sen.



ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY AND ROCPEX'73

In September of 1973, St. John's University in Jamaica, Queens, NY, dedicated its Sun Yat-Sen Memorial Hall as the home of its Asian Studies program. As a member of the business school faculty and administration, I was present at the dedication ceremony. The building was funded with support of the Republic of China-Taiwan. To recognize this event, the Taiwan postal service issued a special cover at the ROCPEX'73, an international philatelic exhibition. The cover, shown below, depicted the building on the St. John's campus. Two years later, Taiwan issued a set of four stamps celebrating the Sun Yat-Sen Memorial Hall. Two stamps showed exterior views of the building while the other two provided interior views, including one of a seated Sun Yat-Sen and one with some of his writing.

THE ROCPEX'73 COVER



THE 1975 REPUBLIC OF CHINA (TAIWAN) STAMP SET

