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87TH STAMP DAY: DEBRECEN



Debrecen will host the events of the *87th Stamp Day* and the *HUNFILA 2014 International Stamp Exhibition* between 25 and 27 April 2014. Magyar Posta is issuing its traditional two-denomination set of stamps and a stamp block with a surcharge for this year's Stamp Day. In addition to the standard version of the block, a red-numbered edition adorned with polished quartz crystals is also being released. Magyar Posta devotes the HUF 200 surcharge on each block to supporting organised stamp collecting in Hungary. The Stamp Day novelties, designed by *Barnabás Baticz* based on photographs by *József Hajdú*, were produced by the ANY Security Printing Company.

Debrecen, the Civis City, is hosting the events of the 87th Stamp Day. Of the city's iconic buildings the neoclassical Reformed Great Church, Hungary's main Calvinist church, is shown in the design of the block marking the festival of philatelists. The two-stamp set features the city's oldest standing church, the Reformed Small Church (a baroque edifice later refashioned in the Romantic style which is locally known as the "Stump" church because it lost the top of its tower in a storm in 1907), and the Kölcsey Centre, a popular venue for conferences and cultural events, where the 87th Stamp Day will also be held.

Five thousand copies of the DEBRECEN STAMP SET have been produced in honour of the 87th Stamp Day. This Set includes, in addition to the two-denomination commemorative set and the stamp block with a surcharge to support organised stamp collecting in Hungary, a special version of the stamp block numbered in red and adorned with polished quartz crystals. The special edition is only available as part of this compilation.

87TH STAMP DAY • Order code: 2014110050211 (set); 2014110060012 (set FDC); 2014120030011 (block); 2014120060012 (block FDC); 2014121030011 (Debrecen Stamp Set) • Date of issue: 25 April 2014 • Total face value: HUF 860+200 • Selling price of the Set: HUF 3,990 • Number of copies: 300,000 2-stamp sets, 30,000 blocks and 5,000 special blocks • Imperforate size of the block: 90 x 70 mm, perforate size of the stamps: 30 x 40 mm • Printed by ANY Security Printing Company • Photography by József Hajdú • Designed by Barnabás Baticz • *The surcharge of the block may not be used to pay for postage on letter-mail items.*