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Many of our World Series of Philately “national” shows include exhibitors from abroad. The October Sescal show moved about 50 miles from near the Los Angeles International Airport to Ontario, California.

The grand award winner exhibit came from about 6,000 miles away as Nick Kirke, from the Czech Republic, received the multi-frame grand for “The Foreign Mail Cancels of New York City; Their Progression 1845 to 1877.”

The winner of the George Bennett Memorial Reserve Grand Award for the second-best multi-frame exhibit came from just a little farther away in New Zealand. Congratulations to Ross Marshall for his exhibit, “Russian Mail via Austrian Galicia to General Postal Union 1874.”

[Ed Laveroni](#), the Sescal single-frame grand award winner, only traveled about 375 miles south from the Silicon Valley, to show another exhibit of Russian area material, “St. Petersburg – Moscow Railway, Nikolaevskaya Railway.”

There was a very good showing for the Rossica Society of Russian Philately, which had its national meeting at the show.