

World of Fish In the World of Stamps

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A topical collection of postage stamps with designs featuring fishes and other aquatic animals is on display at the Thomas Wayland Vaughan Aquarium-Museum at the University of California's Scripps Institution of Oceanography in La Jolla.

This collection, containing more than 100 stamps, is identical to one on display at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington. Both collections were prepared by the Sardine Council of the State of Maine.

Areas of the world represented in the display include such little known places as Ifni, a Spanish enclave in southern Morocco, and St. Pierre and Miquelon, two desolate islands southwest of Newfoundland, which are inhabited mainly by fishermen. More than 25 countries are represented in the collection, and the colorful stamps show a wide variety of marine animals.

The collection will remain on permanent display at the Aquarium-Museum, and is one of several now being made available in selected areas of the country. The collection was prepared in display form, according to Richard E. Reed, Executive Secretary of the Maine Sardine Council, as a service to philatelists and to honor the important commercial fishing industries of the world.