



Postal Politics: Soviet Stamps of World War II

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*Be a Hero,
August 1941,
30 kopeks**

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*All-Union Agricultural and
Small-Industrial Exhibition,
Tractor, August 1923, 5 rubles*



Airmail
October 1923, 5 rubles



Peasant and Worker
Designed by Shadr
1924-1927, 15 and 20 kopeks



Lenin Library Station
Moscow Metro
January 1935,
20 kopeks



Lenin,
1928-1929,
5 rubles



Yalta
Tourism series
September 1938,
15 kopeks



Sailor,
February 1928,
14 kopeks



Pilot,
March 1938,
20 kopeks



Infantry men,
February 1941,
30 kopeks



Blast Furnace, "More Metal,
More Machines," December 1929-January
1930, 20 kopeks



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Zakharov, Machine Gunners,
November-December 1942,
1 ruble



V. Koretskii,
Be a Hero, Poster,
 1941



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People's Militia

"At the call of the great leader of the peoples, Comrade Stalin, the sons of the Soviet fatherland join the people's militia."
December 1941, 30 kopeks



Stamp, 1941



Drawing by N. Lis, 1941



Komsomolskaia Pravda,
Cover page, 5.July.1941

Mukhina, *Worker and
Collective Farm Worker*, 1937



Stamp of Mukhina work

The German and Soviet Pavilions at the 1937
Exposition Internationale in Paris





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Heroes of the Great Patriotic War Series, November 1942

Manizer, *Zoia*, 1942



Hero of the Soviet Union
Zoia Kosmodem'ianskii
November 1942, 30 kopeks

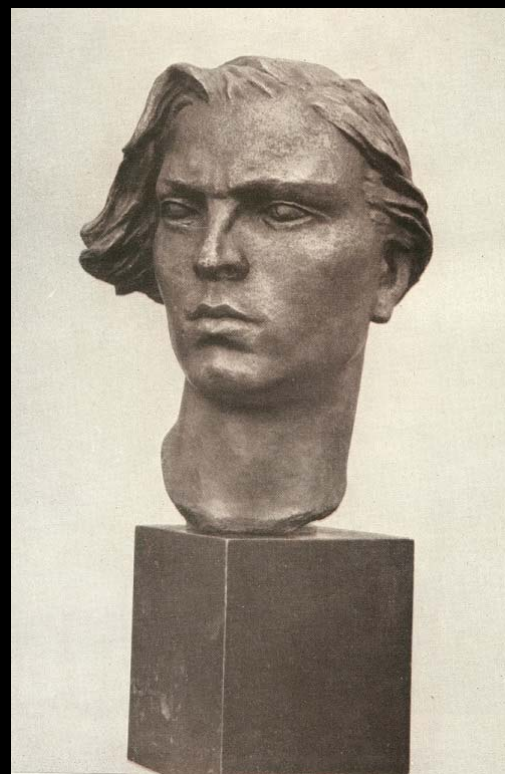
Zoia Kosmodem'ianskii,
Photo





Partisans, Take Revenge Without Mercy, Poster

Mukhina, Female Partisan, 1942





Komsomolskaia,
April 1944, 30 kopeks

Every Komsomol member must
master a military specialty,
poster, 1941





Heroes of the Great Patriotic War, July to September 1944



Natalia Kovshova and Mariia Polivanova



Soldier with Grenade from
The Great Patriotic War series,
April 1945, 1 ruble

Making Uniforms,
“All for the Front, All for Victory,”
November to December 1942,
45 kopeks



Gifts for the Front,
November to
December 1942, 20 kopeks



Making Shells, “All for the Front, All for Victory,”
January-February 1943, 30 kopeks



Collective Farmers, “Agriculture for the
Front,” January-February 1943, 30 kopeks



Hero Cities series: Sevastopol, Odesa, Leningrad, Stalingrad,
March 1944, 30 kopeks



Allied Nation Flags,
November 1943, 3 rubles (L)
June 1944, 60 kopeks and 3 rubles (R)



Composer Rimsky-Korsakov
July 1944, 3 rubles

Poet Mayakovsky,
October 1943, 60 kopeks





Based on Repin painting
November 1944, 60 kopeks



Based on Repin Self-portrait
November 1944, 30 kopeks

*Repin, The Zaporozhian Cossacks Writing
A Letter to the Turkish Sultan, 1880-1891*





For the Motherland, For Stalin
April 1945, 1 ruble



Stalingrad the Hero City
March-April 1945, 3 rubles



Let's Clear the Motherland of
Fascist Beasts, April 1945,
20 kopeks

Death to the German Invaders
April 1945, 30 kopeks



Victory Day, 9 May 1945
Overprint on Order of Victory
August 1945, 3 rubles

