## **IGPC Creates Art Masterpieces Omnibus**



Earlier this year the Inter-Governmental Philatelic Corp., working in conjunction with a number of nations it represents, orchestrated a worldwide Art Masterpieces omnibus issue. Using a variety of themes, each incorporated in a colorful souvenir sheet, the Art Masterpieces

cover a wide range of artists and subjects. In the souvenir sheet above, for example, we see the work of four artists, with the dominant work being *Three Sunflowers in a Vase* by Vincent Van Gogh in the pictorial margin of the souvenir sheet, which was issued by Liberia on March 10.

On the other hand, in this single-stamp January 2 issue from Palau, one masterpiece, Diego Rivera's The Alarm Clock, in a slightly cropped rendition. makes up the complete



souvenir sheet, with the title subject within the stamp portion of the souvenir sheet.

The Cezanne sheet (top of next column) is a tribute to the 175th Birth Anniverary (January 19, 1839) of the French post-impressionist artist. The Cezanne works featured are *Self-Portrait with White Turban*, and bottom, left to right, *Flowers* 

in a Vase, The Boy in the Red Vest, and Still Life with Pomegranate and Pears.

Wrapping up our sampling of the Art Masterpieces Omnibus, we see below a Nevis January 3 Modern Art Sheetlet that includes four masterpieces, the dominant reproduction being *Crockery on a Table* by Henri Matisse.





And below that we present a souvenir sheet issued to commemorate the 150th Birth Anniversary of Tolouse-Lautrec. Issued by Togo on April 9, it brings us in the stamps, *Au Moulin Rouge, Le Danse* and *Danseuse assise aux bas roses* and in the pictorial margin, *At the Moulin Rouge*.

Additional information on these issues as well as other Masterpieces sets and souvenir sheets can be accessed at the IGPC website. In addition, as IGPC represents more than 50 nations, to access its website, which



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