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There’s an old joke that says there are two seasons in Canada – winter and construction. We beg to differ. The summery nature of the stamps in this issue celebrates the much-appreciated warmth and freedom this season brings. Speaking of weather (and honestly, when don’t we?), you’ll also find five mesmerizing meteorological phenomena in part two of our Weather Wonders series.

Over the past few years – thanks in part to Discovery’s mid-summer Shark Week programming and TV movie franchises such as Sharknado – interest in these denizens of the deep has risen. Our Sharks issue, which features five of these fascinating creatures that either inhabit or visit our waters, swims into post offices on July 13. It’s going to be quite a catch.

Finally, summer nights are perfect for the slow and easy pleasure of gazing at the night sky. We’ve captured the simple beauty of the stars in our Astronomy issue – and hope it encourages you to take a moment to look up and see the wonder for yourself.

Happy collecting!

P.S. In our next issue of Details, we’ll focus on some cool Canadian wildlife and tell the stories of everyday heroes in our communities, as the following stamps take the spotlight:

- Birds of Canada (last issue in the series), August 20
- Emergency Responders, Sept. 14 (to be confirmed)
- Canada Post Community Foundation, September 24
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Do you remember gazing up on warm summer nights in search of the brightest star or watching for the glow of the northern lights in the cold dark of winter? These stamps take us back to those magical moments with awe-inspiring photos, by two Canadians, of the night sky’s tranquil beauty.

Issued on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada, the pair pays tribute to the organization and its commitment to promote the study of astronomy through public outreach.

Matt Quinn’s photo of the Milky Way, as seen from Bruce Peninsula National Park in Ontario, is an example of how he connects with the natural world. “Photographing the stars makes me pay attention to the ebbs and flows of nature,” explains Quinn. “It reminds me to place my priorities on what truly matters.”

Alberta-based Alan Dyer’s photo of the northern lights over Churchill, Manitoba, is the result of decades of experimentation. Drawn to the ever-changing night sky, he relishes the immediate result that digital cameras have brought to his work. For Dyer, “looking up rekindles a childlike sense of wonder that can add so much enjoyment to our lives.”
The observatory illustrated in the booklet and on the OFDC cancel is the Plaskett Telescope at the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory in Victoria, British Columbia, which celebrates 100 years in 2018.

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Despite being demonized by popular fiction and movies, sharks are some of the most fascinating and diverse creatures on Earth. Sharks are also among the world’s oldest surviving species. Their earliest ancestors are thought to have swum the seas at least 420 million years ago.

Canada’s coastal waters serve as a permanent or temporary home to nearly 30 shark varieties. The five we’ve chosen to highlight in this issue, designed by Andrew Perro and illustrated by Julius Csotonyi, have their own unique story.

The endangered white shark (Carcharodon carcharias) – known more dramatically as the “great white” – inhabits Atlantic waters and occasionally travels to our west coast, making rare visits around Haida Gwaii during warm-water events.

Native to Canadian waters, the basking shark (Cetorhinus maximus) can grow up to nine metres long on a diet of plankton and other tiny organisms. The Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada (COSEWIC) has also assessed this species as endangered in the Pacific region and as a special concern in the Atlantic.

Once assessed as a special concern by COSEWIC but no longer considered at risk, the blue shark (Prionace glauca) makes its home in the Atlantic.
The slow-swimming **Greenland shark** (*Somniosus microcephalus*), found on the Atlantic side of the Arctic, enjoys a longevity greater than any other vertebrate on Earth, more than 400 years, in fact!

A visitor to our Atlantic coast, the **shortfin mako shark** (*Isurus oxyrinchus*) is the fastest shark on the planet, reaching speeds of 50 km/h or more.

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**Design:** Andrew Perro  **Illustration:** Julius Csotonyi  **Printer:** Lowe-Martin  **Gum Type:** PVA

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*See what’s new in-store for you.*
Visitors to Canada could be excused for thinking that an intense interest in the weather – not hockey – is our national pastime. Too cold, too hot or just right – Canadians always have something to say on the subject. Yet nothing inspires meteorological murmurs more than some of the fleeting (but fabulous) phenomena that can appear when weather permits.

These stamps, which follow our first weather-themed issue from 2015, showcase five other weather wonders: steam fog (1), a moon halo (2), a waterspout (3), lenticular clouds (4) and light pillars (5). Captured in Canada by amateur and professional photographers with endless patience, keen eyes and some luck too, these photos reveal the awesome power and beauty of nature.
Timmy Joe Elzinga, a resident of North Bay, Ontario, used his smartphone to shoot the otherworldly photo of light pillars – ethereal bands of light that appear when tiny ice crystals in the air reflect light from artificial sources. Awoken one cold January night by his young son, Timmy noticed the strange lights out the bathroom window. “Red, blue, green, yellow, purple and pink lights seemed to beam up in to the air,” Elzinga explains. “It almost looked like something out of Star Trek.”

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