Pushing the Envelope

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AIDS took a licking on August 28, when the U.S. Postal Service announced that tennis ace Arthur Ashe would become the first HIVer to net his own commemorative stamp. Ashe, the first African-American man to win the U.S. Open (1968) and Wimbledon (1975), slammed prejudice both on and off the courts: He ranted against South African apartheid and traveled the U.S. to teach about AIDS. *Sports Illustrated* named him its 1992 Sportsman of the Year—its cover shot is reprinted on the stamp—shortly before his death on February 6, 1993.

And if you're volleying around some stamp-y ideas of your own, you can go to www.poz.com. We're asking folks who should be the next HIVer postal pin-up: Hunky actor Rock Hudson? NWA rapper Easy-E? Or perhaps '80s supermodel Gia? Personalized stamps may soon be a reality (visit www.photo.stamps.com for more info), but until then, stick your suggestions to *POZ*.

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