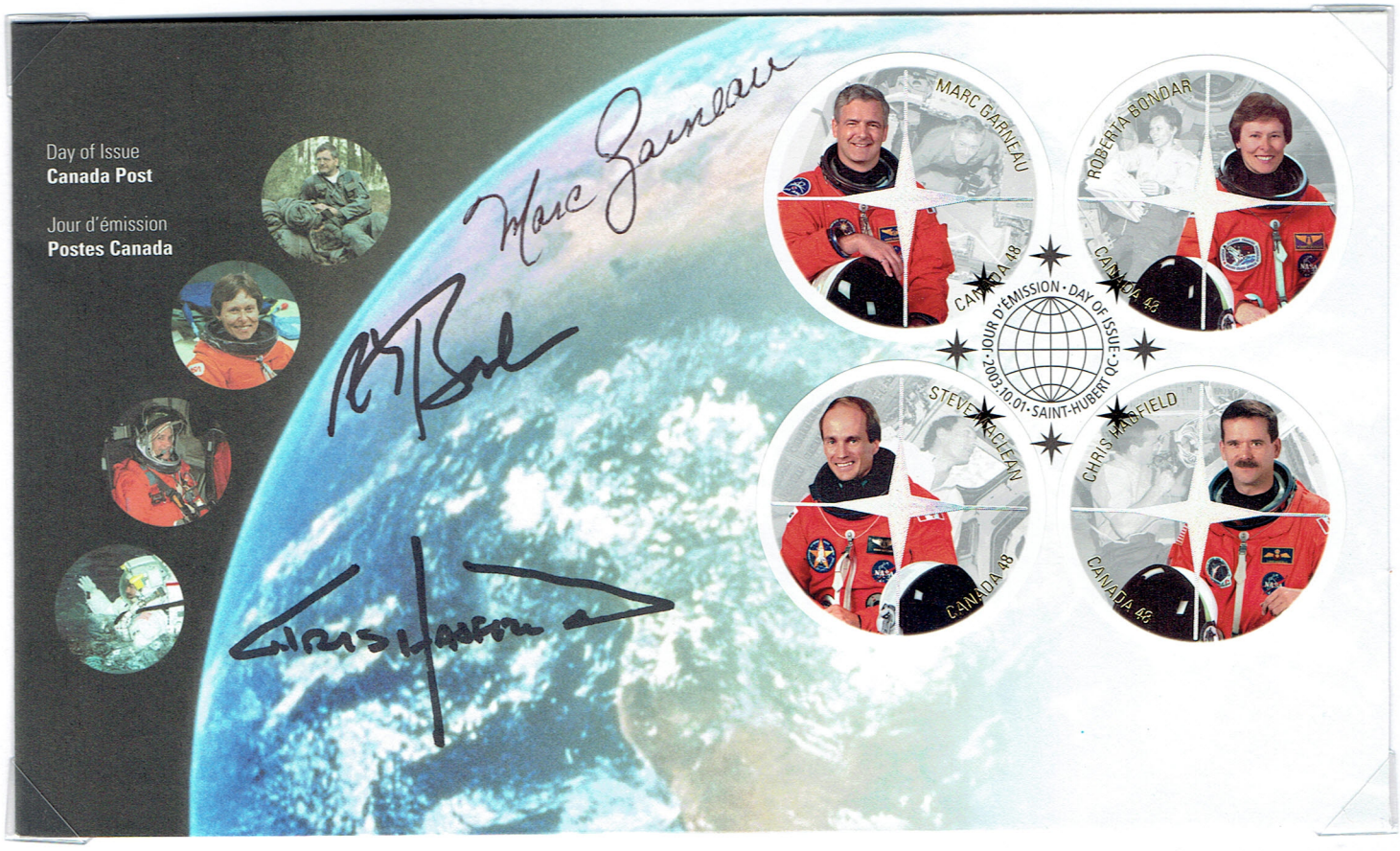
This patch is Garneau's personal mission patch from his third and final space flight (**STS-97**), once again aboard the Space Shuttle "**Endeavour**". Garneau returned from this mission after ten days, on December 11th, 2000. By the time Garneau was finished he had logged a total of **677 hours in space**.

After hanging up his spacesuit, he later became the **President** of the **Canadian Space Agency** (2001 to 2005) and since then went on to become the Liberal federal **Minister of Transport** (2015 to present).



This official **First Day Cover** from October 1st, 2003 and depicts the first four of the eight Canadian astronauts mentioned earlier that are celebrated in this set. This FDC is autographed by arguably Canada's three most famous astronauts, **Marc Garneau**, **Roberta Bondar** and **Chris Hadfield**. This was the last commemorative stamp issue to celebrate our first Canadian in outer space, Marc Garneau. However, in October, 2019, the **Royal Canadian Mint** issued a commemorative coin to mark the 35th Anniversary of Garneau's first space flight. Way to go, Marc Garneau!