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Military Can Delve into Museum Treasures for Free

Free Money Museum Admission for Military Personnel and Families

As a thank you to the brave men and women serving in the United States armed forces, active duty and retired military members and their immediate families receive free admission to the Money Museum in Colorado Springs. The American Numismatic Association (ANA) – the world's largest organization dedicated to coin collecting – also is extending a free <u>one-year</u> <u>membership</u> to military personnel. The offer includes a free one-year digital subscription to *The Numismatist,* coin collecting's premier magazine. Military personnel can inquire about a free membership at the museum or by calling (800) 514-2646.

The Money Museum is America's largest museum dedicated to numismatics. The museum explores art, history, science and culture to promote the diverse nature of money and related items. Visitors can view exhibits in three main galleries, where spectacular rarities can be seen, while learning about the history of the nation and the world as seen through money.

Exhibits include "<u>History of Money</u>," which displays the earliest forms of money through the progression of currency up to modern times, and the "<u>Harry W. Bass Jr. Gallery</u>," featuring one of the most complete U.S. gold coin



collections ever assembled, including many one-of-a-kind specimens. "<u>Money of Empire:</u> <u>Elizabeth to Elizabeth</u>," debuting earlier this year, showcases money and medals to illustrate the development of the British Empire from its beginnings under Elizabeth I (1558-1603) to the present day.

The Money Museum has a history of supporting armed forces personnel. A proud "Blue Star Museum" participant, it has offered free admission for Armed Forces Day (mid-May) through Labor Day to the nation's active-duty military personnel and their families, including National Guard and Reserve.

In order to receive the free museum admission rate, military members and their family must present their valid military ID at the front desk.

The Money Museum is located at 818 N. Cascade Ave., adjacent to the campus of Colorado College and next door to the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center. Museum hours of operation are Tuesday-Saturday, 10:30 am to 5 pm. Regular admission is \$8 (\$6 for seniors and students). Kids 12 and under are always free. Guided tours of the museum are available by reservation only. For more information, call (719) 632-2646 or visit www.money.org/money-museum.

The Money Museum is operated by the nonprofit American Numismatic Association, dedicated to educating and encouraging people to study and collect coins and related items. The ANA helps people discover and explore the world of money through its vast array of educational programs including its museum, library, publications, conventions and seminars. For more information, call (719) 632-2646 or visit money.org.