

ANA School of Numismatics Offers Seminars in Philadelphia

The American Numismatic Association's (ANA) School of Numismatics is offering several educational courses held in conjunction with the Philadelphia World's Fair of Money. "An Introduction to Collecting Ancient Greek & Roman Coins," "Coin Grading, Problem Coins and Conservation" and "Fundamentals of Digital Photography" will be offered prior and during the show. The convention begins Aug. 14 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center, located at 1101 Arch St, Philadelphia, PA. Register for the seminars by June 29 for early enrollment discounts.

An Introduction to Collecting Ancient Greek & Roman Coins

(Prior to the Philadelphia World's Fair of Money)

Students will learn the basics of collecting ancient Greek and Roman coins in this two-day class, designed specifically for new and beginning collectors. Topics include a general survey of ancient coins, how to build a basic reference library, utilizing the Internet for collecting and research, and learning the basics of detecting counterfeits. Participants are encouraged to bring their own coins for discussion.

Instructor: Kerry K. Wetterstrom

Date & Time: August 12-13; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Cost: \$259; Register by June 29 for a \$25 discount. ANA life members save an additional \$40.

Location: Philadelphia Marriott Downtown

Coin Grading, Problem Coins and Conservation

(Prior to the Philadelphia World's Fair of Money)

The biggest mistake collectors and dealers make is buying coins they shouldn't have purchased in the first place—coins that have grade, surface or conservation issues that they didn't see. This seminar will help students avoid costly mistakes by developing their grading skills and teaching them to spot a wide variety of surface problems, enhancements, alterations and conservation issues that can adversely affect a coin's grade. The material covered is comprehensive and suitable for novice and experienced collectors. The seminar uses images, discussion and hands-on examination of hundreds of coins in the ANA's Grading Sets.

Instructor: Brian Silliman

Date & Time: August 12-13; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Cost: \$259; Register by June 29 for a \$25 discount. ANA life members save an additional \$40.

Location: Philadelphia Marriott Downtown

Fundamentals of Digital Photography

(During the Philadelphia World's Fair of Money)

Learn the basics of numismatic photography, from shooting images to preparing them for the web, presentations or publication using Adobe Photoshop. Students should bring their own "macro-capable" cameras and several coins they would like to photograph and are encouraged to bring their own high-speed laptops and software.

Instructor: Clark Fogg and David Heinrich

Date & Time: August 16-17; 10 a.m. to 3 p.m

Cost: \$359; Register by June 29 for a \$25 discount. ANA life members save an additional \$40.

Location: Pennsylvania Convention Center

For additional information, contact Meghan Reed, the ANA's seminar representative, at seminars@money.org.

The American Numismatic Association is a congressionally chartered, nonprofit educational organization dedicated to encouraging the study and collection of coins and related items. The ANA helps its 25,000 members and the public discover and explore the world of money through its vast array of instructional and outreach programs, as well as its museum, library, publications and conventions. For more information, call 719-632-2646 or visit www.money.org.