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Bowers and Merena to Serve as the Official Auctioneer for ANA Pre-Show Auctions in 2011, 2012 and 2013

Bowers and Merena Auctions has been selected by the American Numismatic Association as the official auctioneer for the ANA Pre-Show, which will immediately precede the World's Fair of Money conventions. This three-year agreement includes the ANA Pre-Shows to be held in Chicago in 2011, Philadelphia in 2012 and Chicago in 2013.

"The ANA is very pleased with the selection of Bowers and Merena as the Official Auctioneer for the ANA Pre-Show Auctions," said Larry Shepherd, ANA Executive Director. "We are working to ensure that our official ANA Pre-Shows are great events for everyone, and we are excited that Bowers and Merena's top-tier auctions will be a significant part of these events."

Bowers and Merena will hold live auctions of coins and paper money including:

- U.S. Coins, U.S. Colonial Coins, U.S. Tokens, U.S. Exonumia
- U.S. Paper Money, World Paper Money
- Ancient and World Coins

The Bowers and Merena Auctions will increase the availability of numismatic material at the World's Fair of Money convention which starts immediately after the ANA Pre-Show ends.

"We are thrilled to continue our relationship with the ANA and honored to have been entrusted with the rights to host the Official ANA Pre-Show Auction for the next three years," said Greg Roberts, CEO of Bowers and Merena Auctions. "The ANA World's Fair of Money is one of the most important coin shows in the world and the ANA Pre-Show presents an amazing auction venue. We look forward to working with such a well-respected organization as the ANA."

The ANA Pre-Show is scheduled the three days prior to each ANA World's Fair of Money convention. The 2011 Chicago ANA Pre-Show will be held Aug. 13-15 at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont. In 2012 the ANA Pre-Show will be held Aug. 4-6 in Philadelphia at the Pennsylvania Convention Center. The ANA Pre-Show returns to Chicago Aug. 10-12 in 2013.

Headquartered in Irvine, Calif., Bowers and Merena Auctions is a world leader in numismatic auctions. For more information, visit www.bowersandmerena.com or call 800-458-4646.

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