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## **ANA Announces 2006 Recipients of Young Numismatist of the Year and Adult Advisor of the Year**

The American Numismatic Association congratulates Sam Spiegel, recipient of the 2006 Young Numismatist of the Year award; and Daniel "Tiny" Cross, recipient of the 2006 Adult Advisor of the Year award. The winners, announced Dec. 1, were chosen for their uncommon dedication to strengthening the future of numismatics through accomplishments and youth outreach initiatives.

Spiegel, a resident of Brooklyn, N.Y., has been collecting coins since he was 5 years old. A devoted attendee at ANA conventions and Summer Seminar, his accomplishments in numismatics belie his age of 15. In 2005 Spiegel received the Abe Kosoff Memorial Literary Award for his paper, "Introduction to the Coinage of Alexander the Great." He has published papers and presented talks on Three-Cent Pieces, Mercury Dimes, Ptolemaic Coinage, and the Four Essential Freedoms, to name a few.



Spiegel has served as auction head at the YN Benefit Auction during Summer Seminar, and his talent as an exhibitor has led to numerous awards at ANA conventions. He is a member of the ANA, the Young Numismatists of America, the Westchester County Coin Club, the Garden State Numismatic Association, and the Ocean County Coin Club.



Cross, president of the Ozarks' Coin Club in Springfield, Mo., has led several initiatives to promote numismatics to the children of central Missouri. He has arranged for youth to attend ANA Summer Seminar, led field trips to the Gallery Mint in Eureka Springs, Ark., and organized involvement in paging at several conventions.

Cross has served as a mentor by teaching classes and helping youth prepare numismatic exhibits and educational presentations. Coin clubs such as the Central States Numismatic Society and the Missouri State Numismatic Society have called on his guidance while developing their education programs. The ANA can count on Cross to participate in meetings and pass out youth education literature at Summer Seminar and conventions.

The ANA Young Numismatist of the Year award has been given annually since 1968. Many past winners are now prominent professionals in numismatics and other endeavors. The ANA Adult Advisor of the Year award has been presented annually since 1972. For more information, visit [www.money.org](http://www.money.org) (select "Education" or "Young Numismatists" from the "Explore the World of Money" drop-down menu).

The American Numismatic Association is a nonprofit educational organization dedicated to educating and encouraging people to study and collect money and related items. With nearly 33,000 members, the Association serves the academic community, collectors and the general public with an interest in numismatics.

The ANA helps all people discover and explore the world of money through its vast array of programs including its education and outreach, museum, library, publications, conventions and seminars. For more information about the ANA, call 719-632-2646 or visit [www.money.org](http://www.money.org).