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Educational Opportunities for All Ages at ANA World's Fair of Money in Boston

The 2010 American Numismatic Association's World's Fair of Money®, held August 10-14 in Boston, offers an array of educational opportunities designed to meet a wide range of interests and expertise levels. Attendees are also encouraged to save the date for a special post-convention seminar August 16-17 at the Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site in Cornish, New Hampshire.

Programs are presented at the Hynes Convention Center (unless otherwise noted), where the show takes place. To register or for more information, visit www.worldsfairofmoney.com or call 719-482-9857. Take advantage of early discounts through July 1.

SEMINARS (registration required; additional \$25 off for ANA Life Members)

Grading Modern Coins

Taught by NGC grader John L. Schuch II, this new class introduces students to the finer points of modern coin grading. Explore strike designations and learn what it takes to earn a coveted MS-70 grade. *Seminar takes place at the Sheraton Boston, adjacent to the show. August 8-9, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. (Member price: \$178 through July 1; \$198 after)

Detecting Counterfeit and Altered United States Coins

NGC grader and former ANA authenticator Brian Silliman leads this hands-on seminar that lets students examine and study genuine and counterfeit specimens side-by-side. *Seminar takes place at the Sheraton Boston, adjacent to the show. August 8-9, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. (Member price: \$178 through July 1; \$198 after)

Numismatics of Colonial America

Instructor Erik Goldstein, curator of mechanical arts and numismatics at the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, shows how money, medals and tokens provide a window into the founding of our country. Students are urged to bring along specimens for discussion. August 13-14, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. (Member price: \$178 through July 1; \$198 after)

Post-Convention Seminar: Augustus Saint-Gaudens: The Renaissance of American Coinage

Students attend four 3-hour sessions over two days to study the work of Augustus Saint-Gaudens and his influence on American coinage. Presenters: Henry Duffy, Saint-Gaudens Curator; Roger Burdette, author, *Renaissance of American Coinage*; John Mercanti, Chief Engraver for the United States Mint; and Ute Wartenberg Kagan, Executive Director, American Numismatic Society. August 16-17, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site Cornish, N.H. Tuition and fees will be announced in May.

FREE WORKSHOPS & LECTURES

Coin Collecting Basics

ANA Numismatic Educator Rod Gillis teaches hobby newcomers the basics of grading, storing and handling coins – and imparts some wisdom on how to be a knowledgeable collector. (Pre-registration requested.)

August 14, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Boy Scout “Coin Collecting Merit Badge” & Girl Scout “Fun with Money” Patch Workshops

Scouts earn their collecting awards at these on-site workshops – and receive free 6-month ANA memberships. No fee. Pre-registration required. To register, call 719-482-9849 or email esilver@money.org. Include Troop number, Scout name(s), approximate rank or grade, and contact number.

August 14, 1-3 p.m. Check-in begins at 12:30 p.m.

Maynard Sundman Lecture Series

Some of the hobby's most accomplished scholars make special presentations about “New England Numismatics and Numismatists: Then and Now.” (No registration required.)

August 12, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Numismatic Theatre

Informative, 30-45 minute programs featuring some of the hobby's most noted authorities. Go to www.worldsfairofmoney.com for times and topics. (No registration required.)

August 11, 13 and 14. See program for times.

The World's Fair of Money is the nation's premiere money show. The event features more than 1,100 numismatic dealers with the best inventory anywhere; the ANA Museum Showcase exhibiting some of the world's most valuable and beautiful coins and paper money; a Mint Promenade with mints from around the world; the Collector Exhibits area; a multi-million-dollar auction by Heritage Auction Galleries; hourly educational presentations and seminars; and special events including the ANA's annual awards banquet.

Show hours are 2:00-5:30 p.m. August 10, and 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. August 11-14. Dealer set-up is from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, August 10. Admission is \$6 for adults, and free for ANA members and children 12 and under. A one-year basic ANA membership, with an online subscription to *The Numismatist*, will be available for \$18 -- \$10 off the regular price.

Prue Morgan Fitts is the event's general chair and Robert Fritsch is the assistant chair. Jan Dyroff, Sherry Briggs, William Harkins, Jack Haroian and Chris Donato all serve as education chairs on the Boston host committee. The Boston Numismatic Society is the host club and the New England Numismatic Association is the honorary host club. Heritage Auction Galleries is the official auction company. For more information on all of the show highlights, call 719-482-9857 or visit www.worldsfairofmoney.com.

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 32,000 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.