

AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

Money Museum

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*Photographs courtesy Douglas **Mudd**, Curator of Exhibitions, ANA*

Through the discovery of money, America's largest museum dedicated to numismatics brings culture to life. The museum explores art, history, science and much more to promote the diverse nature of money and related items. Annually, the museum welcomes over 30,000 visitors.

The Collection

The museum collection consists of over 400,000 objects encompassing the history of numismatics from the earliest invention of money to modern day. The objects include paper money, coins, tokens, medals, exonumia, and traditional money from all over the world. Some of the highlights from the collection include individual rarities such as the 1804 dollar, the 1913 'V' Nickel, the 1866 no motto series, and the Aubrey E. and Adeline I. Bebee collection of United States paper money.

The Exhibits

The museum includes current and permanent exhibits in three main galleries, where visitors can find spectacular rarities and learn about the history of our nation and the world as seen through money.

The multimedia Bass Gallery houses the Harry W. Bass Collection, a spectacular and comprehensive

collection of American gold coins, experimental pattern coins and paper money.

The Main gallery features a new exhibit every year designed to appeal to a wide variety of interests, including history, art, archaeology, banking and economics, and coin collecting.

The Lower Gallery also features a new exhibit every year, timed to coincide with National Coin Week, which illuminates aspects of numismatics and collecting designed to appeal to collectors and the general public.

The museum also offers the ability to loan traveling exhibits to banks, libraries, museums and ANA member clubs.

The Money Museum Virtual Exhibits are currently under construction. Please visit <http://www.money.org> to discover and explore the world of money through virtual tours and exhibits.

Hours

The Money Museum is located at 818 North Cascade Avenue in



The Bass Collection

Colorado Springs, Colorado and is open to the public from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday; 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Saturday; and 12:00 p.m. (noon) to 4:00 p.m., Sunday. Admission is FREE.

Services

The Museum staff can provide assistance to collectors and the general public in identification, numismatic research and photographic services.

For more information please contact the Museum staff at museum@money.org or call 1-800-367-9723.

Please note that the ANA does not authenticate or grade coins or paper money.



Lower gallery



Colonial display



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