



North Carolina Numismatic Association

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NCNA Seeks Nominations for Annual Awards

The North Carolina Numismatic Association (NCNA) is currently seeking nominations for each of its annual awards. The awards recognize the outstanding numismatic contributions of those actively involved in the hobby in North Carolina. Nominations for each award are sought from current individual and club members of the NCNA.

The guidelines for each of the awards follow:

John J Pittman Award

The Pittman Award, the NCNA's "Numismatist of the Year" award, recognizes an individual who has made significant contributions to numismatics in North Carolina during the previous year or years. Examples of such contributions include:

1. Organizing and/or running a state and/or local club by serving as an officer, serving on committees, working on club projects and recruiting new members
2. Conducting a numismatic business in a manner that encourages new collectors, advances the hobby and promotes integrity.
3. Contributing to numismatic education by writing articles for local, state, regional and/or national publications, presenting programs to local clubs and civic groups and/or exhibiting at coin shows and meetings.

Forest & Tessie Michael Award

This award is presented each year to the outstanding numismatic volunteer in the state of North Carolina. Nominees must be recognized as:

1. A person or persons of outstanding character and integrity. The award can be presented to an individual or group (i.e., two or more individuals working together).
2. A member in good standing of either a local, state or national coin organization.
3. One who contributes to the advancement of numismatics through the volunteering of their time and talent.
4. One who keeps the volunteer spirit of Forrest and Tessie Michael alive by giving of their time for the sheer joy of helping others.

This award is sponsored by the Iredell-Statesville Coin Club.

Young Numismatist of the Year Award

The Young Numismatist Award recognizes a young collector who has been an outstanding promoter of the numismatic hobby within the state of North Carolina. Requirements for the award include:

1. Must be under the age of 18 as of the Convention date of the year of the award.
2. Must be a member of the North Carolina Numismatic Association or of a NCNA member club.
3. Be actively involved in any one or more of the following:
 - a. Writing articles for local, state, regional and/or national publications
 - b. Presenting talks to local clubs, schools and/or civic groups
 - c. Exhibiting at coin shows or local coin club meetings
 - d. Volunteering to work at club meetings or coin shows, and
 - e. Actively promoting the numismatic hobby.

Bason Literary Award

The Bason Literary Award is given to the person who has made the most significant contribution(s) to the NCNA *Journal* over the past year (Fall through Summer issues) or years and/or to numismatic education through other published works. Articles are judged based on overall reader appeal, research quality and writing excellence.

Ted Hendrick Memorial Dealer Award

The Ted Hendrick Memorial Dealer Award recognizes a member of the numismatic dealer community that has made outstanding contributions to the hobby throughout his or her professional career.

In order to be eligible for the award, a dealer must:

1. Have made positive contributions to the numismatic hobby, beyond the operation of a successful coin business, for a minimum of 10 years, including activities such as educating collectors of all ages, being actively involved in coin clubs, presenting educational talks/programs at numismatic meetings/events, writing numismatic articles and/or preparing educational numismatic exhibits.
2. Conduct regular numismatic business in North Carolina through either a bricks-and-mortar coin shop or regular attendance at coin shows held within North Carolina. A nominated dealer does not need to reside in North Carolina to be eligible.
3. Conduct his or her business following the highest standards of ethics and professional courtesy for all customers.

The Ted Hendrick Memorial Dealer Award is sponsored by the Raleigh Coin Club.

Nominations with supporting materials for all awards, except the Ted Hendrick Memorial Dealer Award, should be sent to:

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Submissions for the Ted Hendrick Memorial Dealer Award should be sent to the Raleigh Coin Club at either rcc@nc.rr.com or by mail to:

Raleigh Coin Club
PO Box 99601
Raleigh, NC 27624

The deadline for nominations for all awards is August 31, 2016.