

Collector coins of the Republic of Armenia-2021

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Dear reader

We are pleased to present the annual journal Collector Coins of the Republic of Armenia, which contains comprehensive information on the 2021 collector coins issued by the Central Bank of Armenia.

The year was memorable with significant events in the recent history of Armenia, anniversaries of famous Armenian personalities, cultural anniversaries.

On September 21, 2021 Armenia celebrated the 30th anniversary of the declaration of independence of the Third Republic. Valuing the achievements and accomplishments of the independent Armenia, the Central Bank of Armenia issued the collector coin “30th anniversary of the Republic of Armenia”.

On the occasion of another state-level event, i.e. the 30th anniversary of the Commonwealth of Independent States, the Central Bank of Armenia as well as some CIS member states’ banks issued the collector coin “30th anniversary of the CIS” and put them into circulation on the eve of the interstate jubilee activities.

Appreciating the creative contribution of famous representatives of Armenian art and music, the Central Bank of Armenia issued collector coins dedicated to the 150th anniversary of Alexander Spendiaryan and the 100th anniversary of Arno Babajanyan-composers who have played an irreplaceable role in the history of Armenian and world music culture. Thanks to the art of these geniuses, the Armenian music has been sounding unique for decades, making its special place in the domain of world music.

With its coin issuances, the Central Bank of Armenia has always emphasized the role of theatrical art in the life of the Armenian society and, adhering to the established tradition, in 2021 the collector coins dedicated to the 100th anniversary of the Gabriel Sundukyan National Academic Theater and the 100th anniversary of the Petros Adamyan Armenian State Drama Theater in Tbilisi were issued.

The collector coin dedicated to the 200th anniversary of the Armenian College and Philanthropic Academy of Kolkata, one of the most influential educational institutions in

the Armenian Diaspora, was issued under the thematic series “Armenia and International Community”. This issuance and the one dedicated to the birth anniversary of medieval philosopher, public figure, pedagogue, the venerable archpriest of the Armenian Church Grigor Tatevatsi highlighted the undeniable role the cultural and educational centers and individuals had in the upbringing the Armenian way, preserving the national features of the Armenian people.

With about two-decade long tradition going on, the Armenian collector coins of the 021 issuance have been taking part in prestigious international numismatic contests. In the 15th international contest “Coin Constellation-2021” held in the Russian Federation, where 31 participating organizations from 22 countries presented their issuances, the gold collector coin “Jansem-100” won the 3rd prize in the nomination “Coin classic”, and the silver collector coin “Mother Cathedral of Holy Etchmiadzin” was recognized as the winner in the nomination “People’s choice award”. The collector coins issued by the Central Bank of Armenia earned such high honors thanks to their original artistic design, exciting content solutions, and the use of state-of-the-art minting technologies.

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