

NATIONAL COIN WEEK 2024

YOUTH ACTIVITY

grades

9-12

GOAL: To create a medal that represents a year from National Coin Week

ROLE:

Archivist and Designer

AUDIENCE:

ANA Board of Directors

SITUATION:

Imagine you are asked by the Board of Directors at the Money Museum to research a year from the past that National Coin Week took place for the 100th Anniversary celebration. They need your expertise to help them design a medal to celebrate the year you have chosen.

PRODUCT:

A medal design celebrating the year you researched

TASK:

Create a medal by completing the following steps:

- Select one of these years: 1967, 1968, 1971, 1987
- Use the ANA archives to explore the documents related to National Coin Week in the year you have chosen.
To access the archives, watch this video or complete the following steps:
 - Go to money.org
 - Select ANA Library
 - Select Library Catalog
 - At the top of the page, under search, select Advanced Search
 - In the top search box, where it says "words", place an asterisk (*)
 - Under select category, select National Coin Week
 - Under year, select the year you have chosen
- A list of documents related to the year of your choice and National Coin Week will appear. To see the actual document, click on the globe at the bottom. Start your research!
- You will need to find 3 sources that provide insight into the theme and/or history of the selected year
- Using the 3 sources you have found, design a medal front and back (known as obverse and reverse) that represents aspects of National Coin week for the year selected
 - Include at least 5 different design elements (images, words, pictures, drawings, etc.)
- Write one paragraph (3-5 sentences) explaining how your design is connected to the year you chose (an overview)
- Write a paragraph (3-5 sentences) for each piece of evidence you found in the archives. This means you will have 3 additional paragraphs, with each paragraph explaining how your choices were influenced by the specific source you are examining. Make sure to provide specific evidence and/or quotes.
- Provide a link for each source you use/reference for your design

Submit your medal design at bit.ly/24ncw-youth by June 1, 2024

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