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Collectible Coins Being Circulated During #Coins4Christmas

Search change for rare coins during the holiday season

Holiday shoppers paying with cash may want to look at their change more carefully in the coming weeks. During the week of Dec. 13-18, officially dubbed Coins4Christmas, the American Numismatic Association (ANA) and the coin collecting community will spread holiday cheer by circulating collectible coins nationwide. Some coin dealers are even providing a free collectible coin to those that visit their coin shops on Saturday, Dec. 18, in honor of Free Coin Day.

"Coins are history that you can hold in your hand," says ANA Executive Director Kim Kiick. "Coins4Christmas provides coin enthusiasts a chance to share their passion for numismatics with the public. The history behind every coin produced, the fascinating artwork and the insight to different cultures are just some of the reasons to collect coins."

The event is inspired by the Great American Coin Hunt in 2019, which saw more than a million collectible coins introduced into circulation by collectors and dealers. According to Rob Oberth, founder of the Great American Coin Hunt and Coins4Christmas, getting collectible coins into the hands of the public is a great way to inspire interest in coin collecting. "We anticipate collectors and coin dealers using collectible coins for purchases and tips, and dropping some of them into Salvation Army



kettles,” he says. “Collectible coins also make great stocking stuffers.”

Those interested in participating are encouraged to post on social media using the hashtag #Coins4Christmas. For more information on Free Coin Day, follow [@FreeCoinDay](#) on Facebook or visit info.money.org/coins4christmas.

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