



MEDIA ADVISORY

Apollo 11 50th Anniversary Commemorative Coin Collection Sale Launches Thursday, January 24

Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex joins The Astronauts Memorial Foundation, Astronaut Scholarship Foundation and Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum to host the event.

WHAT: A ceremony to launch the sale of the U.S. Mint's new Apollo 11 50th Anniversary Commemorative Coin Collection, coin purchasing and astronaut autograph opportunities. Charlie Duke, Apollo 16 astronaut, will be the keynote speaker at the ceremony. The commemorative coin collection celebrates the 50th anniversary of the first manned Moon landing with four beautifully crafted commemorative curved coins: a five-dollar gold, silver dollar, clad half dollar and five-ounce proof silver dollar.

Following the ceremony, the commemorative coins will be available for purchase at the Information Building at the front entrance of Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex or online through the U.S. Mint [website](#). Those who purchase any coin(s) will receive one commemorative coin booklet. Limited quantities of the commemorative coins will be available for purchase.

Veteran NASA astronauts Dan Brandenstein, Curt Brown, Tom Jones and Bruce Melnick will be available from 1 to 4 p.m. to sign commemorative booklets for those who purchased a coin in the Space Shop. Admission to Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex must be purchased to attend autograph signings.

****Interview opportunities will be available.****

WHEN: Thursday, January 24
Media Arrival: 11 a.m.
Ceremony Begins: 11:30 a.m.
Coins Available for Purchase: 12 p.m.

WHERE: Front entrance of Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex, enter through Space Commerce Way
John F. Kennedy Fountain

WHO: Charlie Duke, Apollo 16 astronaut

Ann Starr, daughter of veteran NASA astronaut Mike Collins
Kathie Scobee Fulgham, daughter of Challenger STS-51L Commander
Francis "Dick" Scobee and member of the Astronauts Memorial
Foundation Board of Directors
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Scholarship Foundation
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Scholarship Foundation
Thad Altman, executive director and CEO, Astronauts Memorial
Foundation
Jack Kirschenbaum, chairman of the Astronauts Memorial Foundation
Board of Directors
Elizabeth J. Wilson, assistant director of advancement, annual giving and
operations, Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum

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