



THE INTERNATIONAL COIN DESIGN COMPETITION 2006

ENTRY INFORMATION

Japan Mint will hold **the International Coin Design Competition 2006** in order to encourage coin designers around the world in their creative activities and enhance the artistry of their coin designs. We wish this event leads to the finding of many excellent works and look forward to your creative, artistic and beautiful coin designs.

CATEGORIES

- (1) GENERAL: Sketch and plaster model of coin design
- (2) STUDENT: Sketch of coin design

PRIZES

- (1) GENERAL: Most excellent work (1 work): 500,000 yen, award plaque and memento
Excellent work (1 work): 200,000 yen, award plaque and memento
Fine works (3 works): 100,000 yen
- (2) STUDENT: Future designer (1 work): 50,000 yen, award plaque
- (3) GENERAL/STUDENT:

Jury's special award: 50,000 yen

Notice: The prizes may not be granted if no works deserve the awards.

JUDGING PROCESS

- (1) GENERAL: Judging process consists of two stages as follows:
 - a. Preliminary Stage: The jury will select about five designs for the final stage from works submitted by entrants.
 - b. Final Stage: The jury will select prizewinning works from plaster models of selected designs at the preliminary stage.
 - (2) STUDENT: The jury will select a prizewinning work from designs submitted by entrants.
- Notice: Jury's special award will be granted to works submitted by entrants who the jury judge is highly expected to do remarkable performance in the future.

QUALIFICATION FOR ENTRY

- (1) GENERAL: All ages and nationalities are eligible for the entry. Entrants do not have to be professionals, but please take notice that entrants who are qualified for the final stage have to submit a pair of plaster models.
- (2) STUDENT: Any students who are registered at any schools and were born on or after August 31, 1976 are qualified for the entry.

ENTRY PROCEDURES

Please attach your paper on the reverse side of your sketches and send to the address described below. The paper should be written in Japanese or English and consist of:

- Name
- Birth Date (Day, Month, Year)
- Postal Code, Country, Address
- Telephone number, Fax number and E-mail address
- Category (GENERAL or STUDENT)
- Name of your school (entrants in STUDENT category only)

- Theme and brief description of your designs
- How you knew about this competition

WHERE TO SEND

“COIN DESIGN COMPETITION 2006”

Japan Mint

1-79, Temma 1-Chome, Kita-ku, Osaka

530-0043 JAPAN

(Please write “DESIGN” in red on the envelope.)

DEADLINE

Entrants are requested to send in their designs not later than August 31, 2006

THE JUDGING RESULTS

(1) Preliminary Stage: The result of the judging will be directly informed to the entrants by September 30, 2006. The scheduled deadline for the submission of plaster models is November 30, 2006.

(2) Final Results: The final results of the judging for both GENERAL and STUDENT categories will be directly informed to each prizewinner by December 31, 2006.

Notice: Qualified works for the final stage and prizewinning works will be reported on the website of Japan Mint (<http://www.mint.go.jp>). No results will be informed to unsuccessful entrants.

JURY

Sakae Hasegawa

(Director of O Art Museum/ Director of the World Children’s Art Museum in Okazaki)

Takanori Matsuoka

(Sculptor/ Medallist, Former Chief Officer for Design of Mint Bureau, Japan)

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President of Japan Mint

Director of Design and Engraving Division, Japan Mint

RULES

I. Common to both GENERAL and STUDENT categories

(1) Theme may be set freely by each entrant.

(2) Works for entry are limited to ones unpublished and original.

(3) Each entrant may submit up to three works to GENERAL and STUDENT categories altogether.

(4) Designs must be drawn in accordance with the following way;

a. Designs must be drawn in two circles of 120mm in a diameter (The obverse design should be in the left and the reverse design should be in the right) on a sheet of 210mm X 297mm (A4) size paper.

b. Designs must be drawn on the assumption that they are to be for a 30mm coin.

c. Any drawing materials are acceptable.

d. Designs must not be crumbled or folded.

II. Rules of plaster models (GENERAL category only)

(1) Entrants qualified for the final stage will be required to submit a pair of plaster models which are made on the basis of the selected designs at the preliminary stage.

(2) Plaster models should be engraved designs on a plaster base with an internal diameter

of 120 mm. Further details will be informed to the qualified entrants later.

- (3) Entrants may ask another persons to make plaster models for them at their own expense if it is difficult for them to make plaster models by themselves.

OTHERS

- (1) The works (designs and plaster models) submitted to the Competition are not returned to the entrants.
- (2) Entrants take the responsibility of sending the works to the described address and bear the expense. Japan Mint is not responsible for any damages of the works caused under the shipment.
- (3) Japan Mint obtains the copyright of the prizewinning works.
- (4) In case that prizewinners violate any parties' copyrights and/or any other rights in terms of the prizewinning works, the winners shall be blamed for the infringement.
- (5) The prizewinning works might be revised if Japan Mint uses them for the designs of coins or medals.
- (6) Japan Mint cannot accept any inquiries referring to the results of the competition.

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