



THE INTERNATIONAL COIN DESIGN COMPETITION 2025

ENTRY INFORMATION

With the aim of raising awareness among students who will lead the future of coin design, the Japan Mint will host **the International Coin Design Competition (ICDC) 2025**, inviting participation from students both in Japan and abroad. We hope this competition will lead to the discovery of many excellent works, and look forward to your creative, artistic and beautiful coin designs.

ENTRY QUALIFICATIONS

Any student who is registered at any school and was born on or after August 31st, 1995 is qualified to enter and submission of a coin design (the obverse and reverse sides) is required.

☐ AWARDS

Grand Award (one award) : 50,000 yen and an award plaque

Excellence Award (three awards) : 30,000 yen and a supplementary prize

Special Jury Award : 10,000 yen and a supplementary prize

Encouragement Award : Award certificate

Note: The awards may not be presented if there are no deserving entries.

Taxes and other charges will be deducted from the prize money.

☐ ENTRY PERIOD

September 16th, 2025

Note: The designs must be received by the Japan Mint no later than the above entry period.

☐ REGULATIONS

(1) Each entrant may adopt whatever theme he/she wishes for his/her work.

(2) Works for entry must be unpublished and original.

(3) Each entrant may submit up to three works.

(4) Designs must be drawn in accordance with the following specifications:

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

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

c. Designs must be drawn in black and white.

d. Any drawing materials are acceptable.

e. Designs may not be creased or folded.

NOTES

(1) Works submitted to the Competition will not be returned to the entrants.

(2) Entrants are responsible for sending works to the designated address at their own expense. The Japan Mint is not responsible for any damages or losses during shipping of the works.

(3) The copyright to submitted works shall belong to the Japan Mint upon entry. (Entries to the competition should not be submitted to any other competition until the award-winning works have been selected.) After the award-winning works have been selected, however,

the copyright to submitted works other than the award-winning works shall belong to respective entrants.

- (4) Entrants shall permit the Japan Mint to exhibit, present, and otherwise use submitted works for publicity purposes.
- (5) The copyright to the award-winning works shall belong to the Japan Mint.
The Mint may utilize the award-winning works including (a part of) the design, plaster models and/or information such as explanations of the designs for the following purposes:
 - a. Posting on the Japan Mint website and in brochures about the ICDC
 - b. Any other business of the Japan Mint
- (6) In the event that a dispute with a third party occurs concerning copyright or any other rights in regard to the submitted works, the entrants shall bear responsibility for such disputes and shall resolve them themselves.
- (7) The Japan Mint cannot accept any inquiries concerning the results of the competition.
- (8) If non-compliance of any of the award-winning works with the entry rules is discovered, the award may be withdrawn.

☐ **ENTRY PROCEDURES**

Please attach a paper with your information on the reverse of your design and submit it to the address below. The information should be written in Japanese or English and consist of:

- ☐ Name and title (Mr./Mrs./Ms.)
- ☐ Date of birth (Day, Month, Year)
- ☐ Address, including country and zip/post code
- ☐ Telephone number, fax number, and E-mail address
- ☐ Name of your school
- ☐ School year / grade
- ☐ Title of the work
- ☐ Theme and brief description of your designs
- ☐ How did you know about this competition?

The personal information collected from the entrants shall be only used for the management of the competition.

☐ **ADDRESS FOR ENTRIES**

Japan Mint
Attention: ICDC 2025 Secretariat
1-79 Temma 1-chome
Kita-ku, Osaka
530-0043 JAPAN
(Please write “COIN DESIGN” in red on the envelope.)

☐ **JUDGING RESULTS**

Award-winners will be informed of the results of the judging **by the end of November, 2025.**

Note: Information on the award-winning works will be published on the Japan Mint website

(<https://www.mint.go.jp/eng/enjoy-eng/event-eng/competition-eng>).

Unsuccessful entrants will not be informed.

☐ **ORGANIZER**

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