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Dear reader

We are pleased to present the annual journal Collector Coins of the Republic of Armenia, which contains comprehensive information on the 2021 collector coins issued by the Central Bank of Armenia.

The year was memorable with significant events in the recent history of Armenia, anniversaries of famous Armenian personalities, cultural anniversaries.

On September 21, 2021 Armenia celebrated the 30th anniversary of the declaration of independence of the Third Republic. Valuing the achievements and accomplishments of the independent Armenia, the Central Bank of Armenia issued the collector coin “30th anniversary of the Republic of Armenia”.

On the occasion of another state-level event, i.e. the 30th anniversary of the Commonwealth of Independent States, the Central Bank of Armenia as well as some CIS member states' banks issued the collector coin “30th anniversary of the CIS” and put them into circulation on the eve of the interstate jubilee activities.

Appreciating the creative contribution of famous representatives of Armenian art and music, the Central Bank of Armenia issued collector coins dedicated to the 150th anniversary of Alexander Spendiaryan and the 100th anniversary of Arno Babajanyan - composers who have played an irreplaceable role in the history of Armenian and world music culture. Thanks to the art of these geniuses, the Armenian music has been sounding unique for decades, making its special place in the domain of world music.

With its coin issuances, the Central Bank of Armenia has always emphasized the role of theatrical art in the life of the Armenian society and, adhering to the established tradition, in 2021 the collector coins dedicated to the 100th anniversary of the Gabriel Sundukyan National Academic Theater and the 100th anniversary of the Petros Adamyan Armenian State Drama Theater in Tbilisi were issued.

The collector coin dedicated to the 200th anniversary of the Armenian College and Philanthropic Academy of Kolkata, one of the most influential educational institutions in the Armenian Diaspora, was issued under the thematic series “Armenia and International Community”. This issuance and the one dedicated to the birth anniversary of medieval philosopher, public figure, pedagogue, the venerable archpriest of the Armenian Church Grigor Tatevatsi highlighted the undeniable role the cultural and educational centers and individuals had in the upbringing the Armenian way, preserving the national features of the Armenian people.

With about two-decade long tradition going on, the Armenian collector coins of the 2021 issuance have been taking part in prestigious international numismatic contests. In the 15th international contest “Coin Constellation-2021” held in the Russian Federation, where 31 participating organizations from 22 countries presented their issuances, the gold collector coin “Jansem-100” won the 3rd prize in the nomination “Coin classic”, and the silver collector coin “Mother Cathedral of Holy Etchmiadzin” was recognized as the winner in the nomination “People’s choice award”. The collector coins issued by the Central Bank of Armenia earned such high honors thanks to their original artistic design, exciting content solutions, and the use of state-of-the-art minting technologies.



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In 2021, the Central Bank of Armenia, in cooperation with the Lithuanian Mint, issued eight types of silver collector coins, thus complementing the “Armenian Statehood”, “Armenia and International Community”, “Celebrities” and “Culture” thematic series of coins.

The issuance of silver collector coin “30th anniversary of the Republic of Armenia” continued complementing the series of collector coins that mark anniversaries of the Independence of the Republic of Armenia. The coins in these series are outstanding as they weigh 5 troy ounces, their edge being smooth, numbered, with the use of tamper-printing technology.

The silver collector coin dedicated to the 30th anniversary of the Commonwealth of Independent States was issued in the framework of the thematic series “Armenia and International Community”. The design of the coin embraces figurative elements such as the symbol of the CIS member states and the nine grapes symbolizing the nine CIS member states, which are depicted against the background of Armenian ornaments.

The 2021 thematic series “Celebrities” welcomed the arrival of two silver collector coins dedicated to the 150th birth anniversary of Alexander Spendiaryan and the 100th birth anniversary of Arno Babajanyan. Although designed in a

classic style, characterized by the clarity of thematic images, these collector coins nevertheless stand out for their artistic touch of excellence and exceptional elegance.

In 2021 two anniversaries were celebrated in the field of Armenian theatrical art – the 100th anniversaries of the founding of the Gabriel Sundukyan National Academic Theater and of the formation of the Petros Adamyan Armenian State Drama Theater. On this occasion, silver collector coins depicting episodes from the most renowned performances of these two theaters were issued under the thematic series “Culture”. The coins are distinguishable for their artistic patterns and technological tricks used. During the work, written correspondence with the management of the theaters helped clarify more of their establishment history and learn more information regarding the lead actors.

The series of collector coins about the Armenian educational and cultural centers functioning abroad was enriched with a silver collector coin dedicated to the 200th anniversary of the founding of the Armenian College and Philanthropic Academy of Kolkata. The building of the college and the nearby Armenian Church of St. Nazareth are depicted in a classical style, distinguished by temperance of artistic patterns. The teaching staff of the college, it should be noted, provided great support in composing the information booklet (blister) of the collector coin.

The silver collector coin dedicated to the 675th anniversary of Grigor Tatevatsi stands out in the list of issued collector coins with its historical significance. The unique beauty of the architecture of Tatev Monastery depicted on the collector coin is emphasized by the use of laser-engraving technique, and the halo around Grigor Tatevatsi's head symbolizes the irreplaceable contribution this sanctified church and popular scholar had in the cultural life of the Armenian people.

The collector coins issued by the Central Bank of Armenia in 2021, like the ones issued in previous years, have aroused great interest in general public and have been highly praised by specialists, making their deserved place among the issues of central banks and mints of other countries.





30th anniversary of the Republic of Armenia (1991-2021)

Theme: **Armenian Statehood**
History of Statehood

Obverse: the coat of arms of the Republic of Armenia on the background of the sign of eternity.

Reverse: the stylized tricolor flag, an ornament and the inscription
“30th anniversary of the Republic of Armenia” in Armenian.

Designed by Haroutiun Samuelian (*obverse*), Vardan Vardanyan (*reverse*).
The coin is minted in the Lithuanian Mint.



September 21, 1991 marks the beginning of the period of the Third Republic in the history of Armenia. The symbols of the statehood – the flag, the coat of arms and the anthem of the Republic of Armenia have been defined. State awards – titles, orders and medals have been established.

The national currency of the Republic of Armenia, the Armenian dram, was put into circulation on November 22, 1993.

The formation of an independent democratic state helped preserve and strengthen national self-consciousness and traditions, and the role of the Armenian apostolic church in social life increased. One of the most important achievements of the period of independence is certainly an

Face value	5000 dram
Metal/fineness	silver 925°
Weight	168,1 g
Diameter	63,0 mm
Quality	proof
Edge	even/numbered
Quantity of issue	300 pcs
In circulation from	13.09.2021

established national army as the defender of the Armenian statehood.

Today Armenia is a member of the United Nations, the Commonwealth of Independent States, the Council of Europe, the World Trade Organization, the Eurasian Economic Union, and more than 40 other international organizations.





30th anniversary of Commonwealth of Independent States

Theme: Armenia and International Community

Obverse: the coat of arms of the Republic of Armenia, a bunch of grapes with grains symbolizing the number of CIS member states, an Armenian ornament.

Reverse: the CIS emblem.

Designed by Eduard Kurghinyan (*obverse*), Lusine Lalayan (*reverse*).

The coin is minted in the Lithuanian Mint.



The Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) is an intergovernmental union founded on December 8th of 1991 under an Agreement on the establishment of the CIS by the leaders of Belarus, Russia and Ukraine. In view of the shared history of the peoples and friendship they enjoyed, taking into account the intention of the countries to develop their relations on the basis of mutual recognition and respect for state sovereignty, the parties had agreed upon the formation of the CIS.

Face value	1000 dram
Metal/fineness	silver 925°
Weight	33,6 g
Diameter	38,61 mm
Quality	proof
Edge	ribbed
Quantity of issue	500 pcs
In circulation from	01.10.2021

At present, the CIS include nine member states, with key areas of combined activity being economic integration, cooperation between the bodies in the field of humanitarian, political, legal and security issues, and the establishment of a common information platform.

The CIS is based on the principles of equality in sovereignty of the member states and serves to strengthen friendship, good-neighbor's policy, inter-ethnic harmony, trust, mutual understanding and cooperation between the countries.



Alexander Spendiaryan 150th anniversary of the birth

Theme: **Celebrities**

Music

Obverse: the monument to Spendiaryan (sculptors: A. Sargsyan, Gh. Chubaryan, architects: G. Aghababyan, F. Darbinyan, 1953) against the background of the Opera and Ballet Theater building (architect A. Tamanyan, 1932) and a dancer.

Reverse: Spendiaryan's portrait, note pages of the "Three Palms", stylized images of a violin, inkwell and palm trees.

Designed by Vardan Vardanyan.
The coin is minted in the Lithuanian Mint.



ALEXANDER SPENDIARYAN (1871-1928) is a great Armenian composer, conductor, pedagogue, a musical and social activist, People's Artist of the Armenian SSR (1926).

In 1892-1894 Spendaryan studied the theory of composition with N. Klenovsky in Moscow, and in 1896-1900 with N. Rimsky-Korsakov in St. Petersburg. He lived in the Crimea, got involved with conductor's and musical and social activities. As a composer, he was influenced by Russian and Armenian cultures.

Face value	1000 dram
Metal/fineness	silver 925°
Weight	33,6 g
Diameter 4 дейст.	40,0 mm
Quality	proof
Edge	ribbed
Quantity of issue	500 pcs
In circulation from	13.10.2021

Since 1924 Spendaryan lived in Yerevan. During that period he wrote the “Yerevan Etudes” and completed the heroic-patriotic opera “Almast” (by H. Tumanyan’s poem “The Siege of the Tmouk Castle”, libretto by S. Parnok) – one of the best works of the Armenian music theater.

Spendaryan played a great role in the formation of the Armenian National Composer School – he enriched Armenian music with new themes, expanded the genres, laid the foundation of the Armenian national symphony. His “Crimean Sketches”, “Three Palms”, “Yerevan Etudes” and other symphonic works are classic samples of Armenian symphonic music.

There is the Spendaryan House-Museum in Yerevan. The Yerevan National Academic Opera and Ballet Theater (1933) and Music School No. 1 carry the name of the composer.



Arno Babajanyan 100th anniversary of the birth

Theme: **Celebrities**

Music

Obverse: a wedding couple, a treble clef, as well as a stylized rose and vinyl.

Reverse: Arno Babajanyan's portrait, stylized images of vinyl, piano keys, notes and pen.

Designed by Vardan Vardanyan.

The coin is minted in the Lithuanian Mint.



ARNO BABAJANYAN (1921-1983) is a famous Armenian composer, pianist, People's Artist of the USSR (1970).

Babajanyan graduated from the Yerevan and the Moscow Conservatories. In 1950-1956 he taught at the Yerevan Conservatory. A celebrated piano virtuoso, Babajanyan was known for performing his own works. A. Khachaturyan and S. Rachmaninoff had an influence on formation of Babajanyan's creative style, which was mostly expressed in his early works: the piano concert (1944) and the violin concert (1949). The works "Vagharshapat Dance", "Prelude" and "Impromptu" won the first prize at the 1st World Youth and Student Festival

Face value	1000 dram
Metal/fineness	silver 925°
Weight	33,6 g
Diameter	40,0 mm
Quality	proof
Edge	ribbed
Quantity of issue	500
In circulation from	18.01.2021

in Prague in 1947. The composer's creative personality was obviously shown in the "Heroic Ballad" (1950) written for the piano and orchestra (USSR State Prize, 1951), then in the piano trio (1952).

Babajanyan composed in different styles: classical, pop, jazz. He was one of the prominent masters of song in the Soviet era. He wrote many lyrical songs, music for dramatic performances (W. Saroyan's "My heart's in the highlands") and movies ("The first love song", co-author Gh. Saryan, "On the path of thunder", "The mechanics of happiness").

As one of much-loved composers of the Soviet people, Babajanyan holds a special place in the history of Armenian and Soviet music thanks to his unique natural talent, deep sensitivity and musical expression.



Grigor Tatevatsi

675th anniversary of the birth

Theme: Celebrities
Science

Obverse: the Tatev Monastery.

Reverse: the bas-relief of Tatevatsi on the wall of the Armenian Church of the Holy Transfiguration of the Armenian Diocese in New Nakhijevan and Russia (architect: A. Ghulyan) in Moscow.

Designed by Karapet Abrahamyan (*obverse*), Lusine Lalayan (*reverse*).
The coin is minted in the Lithuanian Mint.



Face value	1000 dram
Metal/fineness	silver 925°
Weight	33,6 g
Diameter	40,0 mm
Quality	proof
Edge	ribbed
Quantity of issue	500 pcs
In circulation from	18.01.2021

GRIGOR TATEVATSI (1346-1409) is the thrice greatest archimandrite of the Armenian Church, philosopher, theologian, philologist, pedagogue, miniature painter, musician.

Tatevatsi studied in the theological seminary of the monastery of Tatev, was mentored by a great theologian-philosopher Hovhan Vorotnetsi, after whose death he headed the higher clerical schools of Tatev and Aprakounis and taught theology, philosophy, grammar, music theory and other subjects. He also lectured at the clerical schools of Metsopavank and Saghmsovank churches. In the meanwhile, he was dealing with national-ecclesiastical issues, confronting the Catholic preachers, i.e. unitarians, in his struggle to back the orthodox persuasions and independence of the Armenian Church.

Settled in Tatev in 1390, Tatevatsi brought around him people who came from Syunik and different parts of Armenia to study. He presented his pedagogical views in the work “Constitution of Education”, which was phenomenal to the medieval

Armenian pedagogical literature. Under Tatevatsi’s governance the theological seminary of the monastery of Tatev became a university, reaching its peak of prosperity, turning into a center of science, culture, art, and spiritual life.

Tatevatsi wrote valuable theological, denominational and philosophical works. Most important of them are “The Book of Inquiries” and “Voskeporiq” encyclopedic works, which bring together the centuries-old achievements of the Armenian denominational thought, as well as “The Winter Volume” and “The Summer Volume” predicant books.

Tatevatsi rewrote and illustrated the Gospels, which are kept in the Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin and Matenadaran named after Mesrop Mashtots.

The Armenian Apostolic Saint Church has ordained Grigor Tatevatsi a saint, and commemorates him on the Saturday before the fourth Sunday of Lent.



200th anniversary of establishment of Armenian College and Philanthropic Academy of Kolkata

Theme: **Culture**
Science, Literature

Obverse: fragments of the images of the Armenian College building and
the Armenian Holy Church of Nazareth.

Reverse: the logo of the Armenian College.

Designed by Lusine Lalayan.
The coin is minted in the Lithuanian Mint.



The Armenian College and Philanthropic Academy (ACPA) was established in 1821 in Kolkata (India), in the vicinity of the Armenian Holy Church of Nazareth, at the initiative of the philanthropists A. Muradkhanian and M. Vardanian from Jugha. Over the years Galutsian Armenian School and Davidian Girls' School joined the ACPA, and a boarding faculty unit was set up. Since 1824, a printing house had been functioning in the ACPA for about 50 years. The Ararat Library was founded in 1828, which had the largest collection of Armenian books and manuscripts of the time.

In 1999, under the decision of the Kolkata Supreme Court, the ACPA was transferred to the trusteeship of the Holy Etchmiadzin in the person of Catholicos of All Armenians, who was granted the right to direct the ACPA's activity.

Face value	1000 dram
Metal/fineness	silver 925°
Weight	33,6 g
Diameter	40,0 mm
Quality	proof
Edge	ribbed
Quantity of issue	300 pcs
In circulation from	25.03.2021

The ACPA's educational programs include the subjects on Armenology and natural sciences and are drawn up in such a way that the graduates receive the opportunity to enter educational institutions of India without difficulties.

In the course of 200 years of functioning, the ACPA has educated thousands of Armenian children from Iran, Iraq, Myanmar, India and Armenia. A great number of academic and cultural programs have been implemented here making educational and cultural ties with the Motherland closer and more comprehensive.

The Armenian College and Philanthropic Academy of Kolkata is an important center for tutoring and upbringing an Armenian background in the Diaspora and one of the most influential educational institutions.



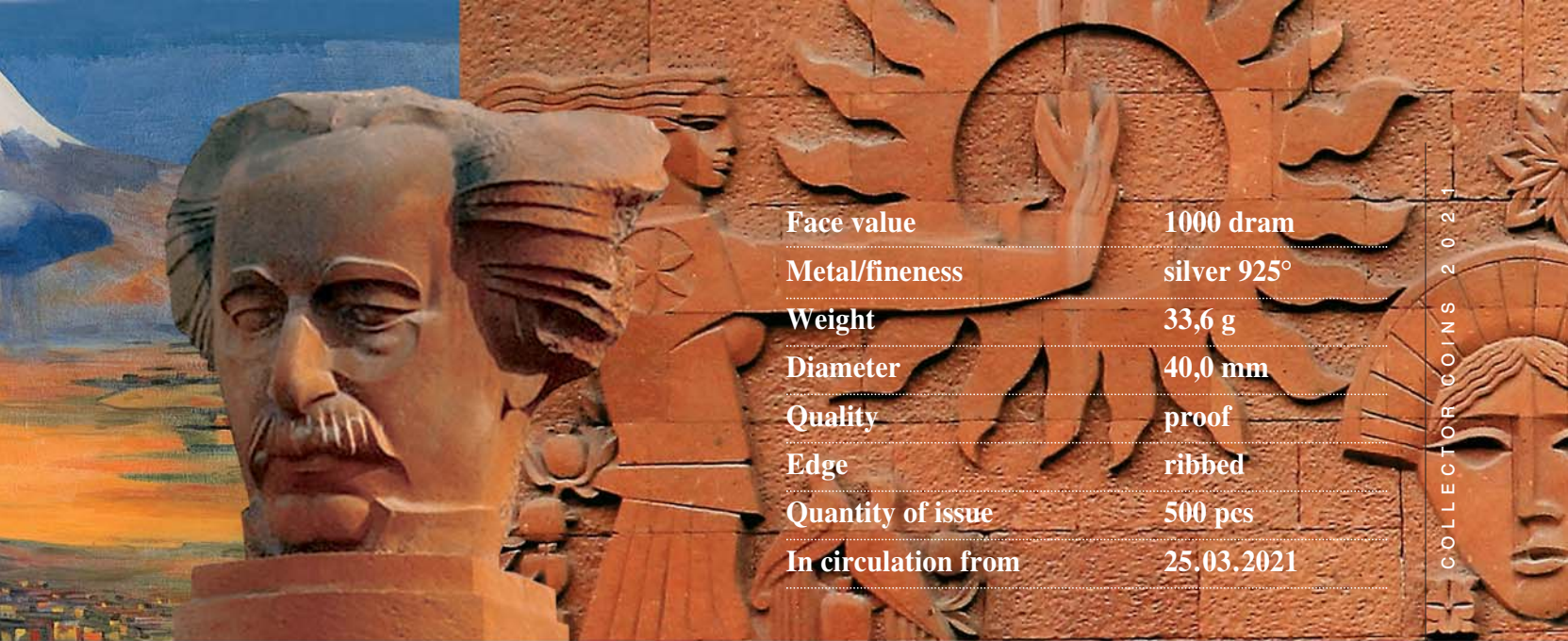
100th anniversary of establishment of Gabriel Sundukyan National Academic Theater

Theme: **Culture**
Art

Obverse: the memorial plaque of Gabriel Sundukyan, stylized images of a sheet of paper and thread from the play “Pepo”.

Reverse: the drawing of the theater building, the icon of the theater and Armenian ornament.

Designed by Vardan Vardanyan
The coin is minted in the Lithuanian Mint.



Face value	1000 dram
Metal/fineness	silver 925°
Weight	33,6 g
Diameter	40,0 mm
Quality	proof
Edge	ribbed
Quantity of issue	500 pcs
In circulation from	25.03.2021

The first state theater of Armenia was founded in Yerevan, on August 16, 1921. The ceremony opening of the theater took place on January 25, 1922, with a performance of “Pepo” written by Gabriel Sundukyan.

The theater was renamed after Gabriel Sundukyan in 1937.

The theater has brought together best Armenian theatrical figures living in different countries of the world, the artists who were the facade of the Armenian culture of the 20th century. The decades of huge work and enormous efforts has made it the center of Armenian theatrical art. To this day, people still call it “MOTHER THEATER”.

Since its founding up until 1938, the theater operated in one of the central buildings on the Republic Square, then moved to a new place,

which is now the English Park. In 1962 the building of the theater burned down. It was rebuilt on the same site and reopened on March 5, 1966.

In 1950-70s, the theater was among the most renowned ones in the entire USSR. This may explain the success of the theater, as the Shakespearean performances – the first Shakespeare festival and conference organized in the USSR – took place in Yerevan.

In 1960 the theater became academic, and in 1996 – national.

The Gabriel Sundukyan National Academic Theater has always been home to the creative cooperation of actors and directors of different generations. True to its centuries-old history and traditions, the theater, however, remains young, with unique combinations of the old and the new.



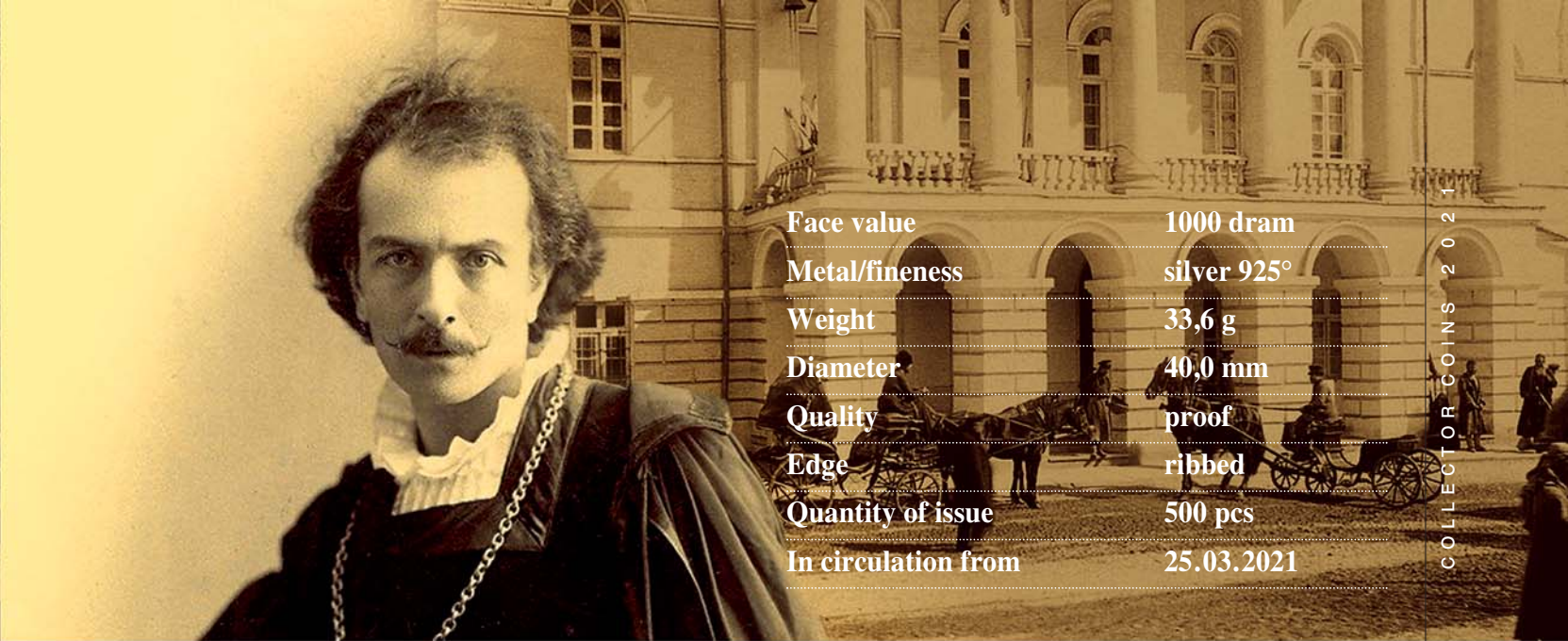
100th anniversary of establishment of Petros Adamyan Armenian State Drama Theater in Tbilisi

Theme: **Culture**
Art

Obverse: a stylized image from Petros Adamyan's repertoire, symbolizing the role of Hamlet, and an image of an actress.

Reverse: the sculpture of Petros Adamyan (sculptor: A. Sargsyan) and the graphic image of the theater building.

Designed by Vardan Vardanyan (*obverse*), Lusine Lalayan (*reverse*).
The coin is minted in the Lithuanian Mint.



Face value	1000 dram
Metal/fineness	silver 925°
Weight	33,6 g
Diameter	40,0 mm
Quality	proof
Edge	ribbed
Quantity of issue	500 pcs
In circulation from	25.03.2021

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Armenian performances have been organized in Tbilisi, Georgia, since the 1820s. The Armenian theater as a professional structure was founded in 1858 and became a direct successor of the best traditions of the Eastern Armenian theater, undertaking the creation of a new Armenian theatrical art.

In 1921 the theater was organized as an Armenian state drama theater. The opening took place at the Artistic Theater (now the Rustaveli Theater), premiering Octave Mirbeau's play "Les mauvais bergers" (directed by A. Beroyan). The founders included, among others, I. Alikhanyan, A. Vruyr, O. Maysuryan, A. and M. Beroyans, Zabel, A. Rshtuni. In the first years the performances were given in different theaters of Tbilisi. In 1936 the theater moved to a new building

in the Havlabar district (the first performance was "Shahnameh" by Janan), a time when the theater's creative growth began. During those years, plays by both national and Russian and West-European authors were staged.

In 1955-1991, the theater was named after Stepan Shahumyan and, since 1991, after Petros Adamyan. Many prominent Armenian artists, including V. Papazyan, H. Abelyan, V. Vagharshyan, H. Nersisyan, G. Janibekyan performed at the Armenian State Drama Theater in Tbilisi.

Now the Petros Adamyan Armenian State Drama Theater in Tbilisi is considered one of the main Georgian-Armenian cultural and social centers.

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Collector coins of the Republic of Armenia by series and years of issue

(1994 - 2021)

ARMENIAN STATEHOOD

History of Statehood

Artsakh	(silver, 1994)
National Assembly Building	(silver, 1995)
Artashesian Kingdom	(silver, 1995)
Arshakuni Kingdom	(silver, 1995)
Bagratuni Kingdom	(silver, 1995)
Kingdom of Cilicia	(silver, 1995)
10 th Anniversary of the Republic of Armenia (1991-2001)	(silver, 2001)
15 th Anniversary of the Republic of Armenia (1991-2006)	(silver, 2006)
20 th Anniversary of the Republic of Armenia (1991-2011)	(silver, 2011)
25 th Anniversary of the Republic of Armenia (1991-2016)	(silver, 2016)
25 th Anniversary of the Republic of Armenia/rus (1991-2016)	(silver, 2016)
100 th Anniversary of the First Republic of Armenia (1918-2018)	(silver, 2018)
30 th Anniversary of the Republic of Armenia (1991-2021)	(silver, 2021)

Armed Forces of Armenia

Sardarapat	(silver, 1994)
Armed Forces of Armenia	(gold/silver, 2005)
15 th Anniversary of Formation of Armenian Army	(gold, 2007)
15 th Anniversary of Liberation of Shushi	(gold, 2007)
20 th Anniversary of Formation of Armenian Army	(gold/silver, 2012)
20 th Anniversary of Liberation of Shushi	(gold, 2012)
25 th Anniversary of Formation of Armenian Army	(gold/silver, 2017)
25 th Anniversary of Liberation of Shushi	(gold, 2017)

Armenian Currency

Spindle	(silver, 1994)
5 Years of Armenian Currency	(silver, 1998)
15 Years of Armenian Currency	(silver, 2008)
20 Years of Armenian Currency	(silver, 2013)
25 Years of Armenian Currency	(silver, 2018)

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ARMENIA AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

UN-50	(silver, 1995)
Armenia-Diaspora Forum	(silver, 1999)
New Millennium	(silver, 2000)
Armenia - a Member of European Council	(silver, 2001)
International Polar Year	(silver, 2006)
CST-20 and CSTO-10	(silver, 2012)
Eurasian Economic Union	(silver, 2015)
CST-25 and CSTO-15	(silver, 2017)
Anniversary of Armenia's Membership to IMF/WB	(silver, 2017)
Five Years of Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU)	(silver, 2019)
CIS-30	(silver, 2021)

CELEBRITIES

Armenian Commanders

Marshal Baghramyan-100	(silver, 1997)
Garegin Nzhdeh	(gilded silver/silver, 2001)
Marshal Babajanyan-100	(silver, 2006)
Andranik Ozanyan-150	(silver, 2015)
Vardan Mamikonian-1625	(gold, 2016)
Vardan Mamikonian	(gold, 2016)
Admiral Isakov-125	(silver, 2019)
Gevorg Chavush-150	(silver, 2020)

Public and State Figures

Tigran the Great	(gold, 1999)
Tigran the Great	(gold, 2003)
King Vramshapouh	(silver, 2005)
Alexander Mantashian-175	(gold, 2017)
Galousté Gulbenkian-150	(gold, 2019)
Khrimyan Hayrik-200	(silver, 2020)

Science

Anania Shirakatsi-1400	(silver, 2005)
Artem Mikoyan-100	(silver, 2005)
Viktor Hambardzumyan-100	(silver, 2008)
Movses Khorenatsi-1600	(silver, 2010)
Leo-150	(silver, 2010)
Joseph Orbeli-125	(silver, 2012)
Benjamin Margaryan-100	(silver, 2013)
Voskan Yerevantsi-400	(silver, 2014)
Grigor Tatevatsi-675	(silver, 2021)

Literature

Pushkin-200	(silver, 1999)
William Saroyan-100	(gold, 2008)
Khachatur Abovyan-200	(gold, 2009)
Raffi-175	(gold, 2010)
Vahan Terian-125	(gold, 2010)
Misagh Metsarents-125	(gold, 2011)
Hovhannes Shiraz-100	(gold, 2014)
Hovhannes Tumanyan-150	(gold, 2019)

Fine Arts, Architecture

Arshile Gorky-100	(gold, 2004)
Martiros Sarian-125	(gold, 2005)
Hakob Gurjian-125	(gold, 2006)
Hovhannes Aivazovsky	(silver, 2006)
Jean Garzou-100	(gold, 2007)
Vardges Sureniants-150	(silver, 2010)
Teodor Axentowicz	(silver, 2010)
Toros Roslin-800	(gold, 2011)
Stepan Aghajanian-150	(silver, 2013)
Ara Beqaryan-100	(silver, 2013)
Eduard Isabekyan-100	(silver, 2014)
Panos Terlemezian-150	(silver, 2015)
Arshak Fetvadjian-150	(silver, 2016)
Alexander Bazhbeuk-Melikian-125	(silver, 2016)
Hovhannes Aivazovsky-200	(gold, 2017)
Hovhannes Zardaryan-100	(silver, 2018)
Vartan Mahokian-150	(silver, 2019)
Jansem-100	(gold/silver, 2020)
Yeghishe Tadevossian-150	(silver, 2020)

Music

Aram Khachatryan-100	(gold/silver, 2002)
Komitas	(gold, 2006)
Sayat-Nova-300	(gold, 2012)
Komitas-150	(silver, 2019)
Alexander Spendiaryan-150	(silver, 2021)
Arno Babajanyan-100	(silver, 2021)



Cinema, Theatre, Circus

Leonid Yengibarov-75	(silver, 2010)
Sergei Parajanov	(silver, 2012)
Vahram Papazyan-125	(gold, 2013)
Hamo Beknazaryan-125	(silver, 2017)
Henry Verneuil-100	(silver, 2020)
Hrachia Nersisyan-125	(gold, 2020)

Sport

Tigran Petrosyan-70	(silver, 1999)
Kings of Football	(silver, 2008-2011)
Pele, Eusebio, Lev Yashin, Franz Beckenbauer, Zbigniew Boniek, Yohan Cruyff, Mario Kempes, Michel Platini	

CULTURE

Science, Literature

1600 th Anniversary of Creation of the Armenian Alphabet	(gold, 2002)
1000 th Anniversary of the Poem “Book of Lamentations”	(silver, 2002)
50 th Anniversary of Establishment of Matenadaran	(silver, 2007)
825 th Years of “The Codex” written by Mkhitar Gosh	(silver, 2009)
725 th Anniversary of Glazdor University	(silver, 2009)
500 th Anniversary of Armenian Book Printing	(silver, 2012)
Letters of Armenian Alphabet, 39 types	(gold/silver, 2013)
200 th Anniversary of Foundation of Lazarev Institute	(silver, 2015)
100 th Anniversary of Foundation of the History Museum of Armenia	(silver, 2019)
100 th Anniversary of Foundation of the Yerevan State University	(silver, 2019)
200 th Anniversary of Establishment of Armenian College and Philanthropic Academy of Kolkata	(silver, 2021)



Art

75th Anniversary of Establishment of the Opera and
Ballet Theater (silver, 2008)

Jazz (silver, 2010)

Armenian Carpet (gilded silver/silver, 2018)

Dragon Carpet, Sun Carpet, Eagle Carpet,
Altar Carpet, Altar-Cross Carpet, Bee-Nest Carpet,
Life Tree Carpet, Medallion Carpet, Vorotan Carpet,
Proshaberd Carpet

Pottery of the World (silver, 2018)

Armenian Pottery, Russian Pottery, Greek Pottery,
Chinese Pottery, Iranian Pottery

100th Anniversary of Establishment of Gabriel Sundukyan
State Academic Theatre (silver, 2021)

100th Anniversary of Establishment of Petros Adamyan
Armenian State Drama Theatre in Tbilisi (silver, 2021)

RELIGION

Mythology

David of Sasoun (silver, 1994)

Goddess Anahit (gold, 1997)

Haik Nahapet (gold, 2007)

Christianity

Noah Descending from Ararat (gold, 1999)

Sahak A Partev (silver, 2005)

Armenian Patriarchs of the 20th Century (gold, 2008)

St. Sargis the Commander (gold, 2009)

Gospel Scenes in Armenian Miniatures (silver, 2010)

Annunciation, Adoration of Magi,
Entry to Jerusalem, Ascension

200th Anniversary of Establishment of
the Mekhitarist Congregation in Vienna (silver, 2011)

Noah's Ark (7,77 g/15,55 g/31,1 g) (silver, 2012)

Noah's Ark (1,0 g/7,78 g/15,55 g/31,1 g) (gold, 2017)

300th Anniversary of Establishment of the
Mekhitarist Congregation in Venice (silver, 2017)

Religious monuments

Garni (silver, 1994)

Holy Etchmiadzin (gold/silver, 1998)

Ani (gold/silver, 1998)

Haghpat (silver, 1998)

Aghtamar (gold/silver, 1999)

Monastery of Gandzasar (silver, 2004)

Cross-stones of Armenia (silver, 2011)

Etchmiadzin cross-stone, Kecharis cross-stone,
Gndevank cross-stone, Goshavank cross-stone,
Noravank cross-stone, Sanahin cross-stone

Armenian Monasteries and Churches (silver, 2012)

Mother Cathedral of Holy Etchmiadzin,
Kecharis Monastery, Gndevank Monastery,
Goshavank Monastery, Noravank Monastery,
Sanahin Monastery

Mother Cathedral of Holy Etchmiadzin (silver, 2020)

Treasures of Etchmiadzin

Holy Lance (silver, 2013)

The Right Hand of Saint Gregory the Illuminator (silver, 2014)

Cauldron for Holy Chrism (silver, 2014)

Khotakerats Sourb Nshan (silver, 2016)

The Cross with the Relics of Saint John the Baptist
(silver, 2016)

The Cross with the Relics of Saint George (silver, 2016)

HISTORY

10 th Years of the Earthquake	(silver, 1998)
110 th Anniversary of the State Bank	(silver, 2003)
10 th Anniversary of the Court of Cassation of the Republic of Armenia	(gold, 2008)
Ani-1050	(gold, 2011)
Artashat-2200	(gold, 2011)
Centenary of the Armenian Genocide	(silver, 2015)
20 th Anniversary of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Armenia	(silver, 2015)
Yerevan-2800	(silver, 2018)
100 th Anniversary of Sardarapat battle	(silver, 2018)
75 th Anniversary of the Victory in the Great Patriotic War	(silver, 2020)

NATURE

Flora

Apricot	(silver, 1994)
Armenian Grapes	(silver, 2007)
Beauty of Flowers	(silver, 2010-2011)
Galanthus Artjuschenkoae, Tanacetum Zangezuricum, Sorbus Hajastana, Crocus Adamii	
Pomegranate	(gold, 2011)
The Oldest Trees of the World	(silver, 2014)
Skhtorashen Platanus, Hundred Horse Chestnut, Angel Oak, General Sherman Tree	

Fauna

Caucasian Otter	(silver/Cu75Ni25, 1997)
Armenian Gull	(silver/Cu75Ni25, 1998)
Wild World of Caucasus	(silver, 2006-2008)
Wide-Eared Hedgehog, Trans-Caucasian Grey Bear,	

Caucasian Forest Cat, Mediterranean Tortoise,
Fore-Asian Leopard, Wide-nosed Duck, Trout,
Armenian Viper, Bezoar Goat, Armenian Moufflon,
Caucasian Owl, Toad Agama

The Year of the Caucasian Leopard (silver, 2019)

Nature monuments

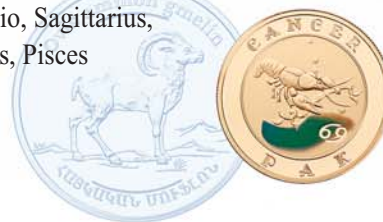
Labyrinths of the World (silver, 2016-2017)
Boston Labyrinth, Vaals Labyrinth,
Barselona Labyrinth, Mazone Labyrinth

SPORT

32 nd Chess Olympiad	(silver, 1996)
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32 nd Chess Olympiad	(Cu75Ni25, 1996)
XVIII Winter Olympic Games	(silver, 1998)
1998 Football World Cup	(silver, 1998)
First Pan-Armenian Games	(silver, 1999)
2006 Football World Cup	(silver, 2004)
37 th Chess Olympiad	(gold, 2006)
Art of Fighting	(silver, 2011-2012)
Judo, Wushu, Karate, Kokh	
2014 World Football Championship	(silver, 2014)
2018 World Football Championship	(silver, 2018)

SYMBOLS

The Signs of Zodiac (silver, 2007-2008/gold, 2008-2009)
Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Cancer, Leo,
Virgo, Libra, Scorpio, Sagittarius,
Capricorn, Aquarius, Pisces





Armenian Collector Coins Issue Program 2022

Yeghishe Charents-125

Face value	10 000 dram
Metal/fineness	gold 900°
Weight	8,6 g
Diameter	22,0 mm
Quality	proof
Edge	ribbed
Quantity of issue	300 pcs

Davit Bek

Face value	1000 dram
Metal/fineness	silver 925°
Weight	33,6 g
Diameter	40,0 mm
Quality	proof
Edge	ribbed
Quantity of issue	250 pcs



Ohan Dourian-100

Face value	1000 dram
Metal/fineness	silver 925 ⁰
Weight	33,6 g
Diameter	40,0 mm
Quality	proof
Edge	ribbed
Quantity of issue	200 pcs

30th anniversary of formation of Armenian Army

Face value	10 000 dram
Metal/fineness	gold 900 ⁰
Weight	8,6 g
Diameter	22,0 mm
Shape	round
Quality	proof
Edge	ribbed
Quantity of issue	400 pcs

Oganesson (Og)

Face value	1000 dram
Metal/fineness	silver 925 ⁰
Weight	33,6 g
Diameter	40,0 mm
Quality	proof
Edge	ribbed
Quantity of issue	500 pcs

30th anniversary of formation of Armenian Army

Face value	1000 dram
Metal/fineness	silver 925 ⁰
Weight	33,6 g
Diameter	40,0 mm
Shape	octangular
Quality	proof
Edge	ribbed
Quantity of issue	400 pcs

Mints

The Lithuanian Mint produced eight collector coins under the 2021 collector coins issue program of the Central Bank of Armenia.



The Lithuanian Mint



LIETUVOS MONETŲ KALYKLĄ
LITHUANIAN MINT



The Lithuanian Mint was founded on December 10, 1990, in Vilnius. In the first years of operation, the Mint had been striking only circulating coins, but since 1993 it started producing also collector coins, commemorative medals and souvenir products.

After Lithuania joined the European Union, EURO was put into circulation starting January 1, 2015, and the Lithuanian Mint was entrusted with the production of euro coins.

Today, thanks to the use of modern equipment, technological innovations and high quality products, the Lithuanian Mint is considered one of the leaders in the market for production of numismatic values. The prizes earned at the World Money Fair held in Berlin in 2020 is a good evidence of that.

The Lithuanian Mint produces coins for a

number of countries, including Armenia, Belarus, Latvia, Estonia, Slovenia, Moldova, Kyrgyzstan, Georgia, Luxembourg and Finland.

During 30 years of operation, the Mint has implemented numerous projects, issued more than 5 million collector coins using more than 20 innovative minting techniques. The Lithuanian Mint is the first in the world to mint a digital coin.

The Lithuanian Mint has been cooperating with the Central Bank of Armenia since 2001. A great variety of collector coins selected under the collector coin issue programs 2014-2021, including the ones which earned awards at international numismatic contests (“The Centenary of the Armenian Genocide”, “Yerevan-2800”, “150th anniversary of birth of Komitas”, “Jansem-100”, others), were produced by the Lithuanian Mint.



International contest – 2021

In 2021 the Central Bank of Armenia participated
at the 15th international contest
“Coin Constellation-2021”
held in the Russian Federation.

The contest hosted 31 organizations from 22 countries,
which presented in total 220 collector coins of 2020 year of issue.

The winners of the contest were selected by an international jury.

Two Armenian collector coins were awarded at the contest:
the gold collector coin **“Jansem-100”** took the 3rd place in
the **“Coin Classic”** nomination,
and the silver collector coin
“Mother Cathedral of Holy Etchmiadzin”
was announced the winner of
the nomination **“People’s choice”**.

The author of the design of “Jansem-100” gold collector coin is Eduard Kurghinyan.



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The author of the project of “Mother Cathedral of Holy Etchmiadzin” silver collector coin is CIT Coin Invest AG, Liechtenstein.

The sketches of the coin were created with the direct involvement of Suren Simonyan, the former Head of the Currency Issue and Numismatics Center of the Central Bank of Armenia, and the artist-designer Aram Urutyan.

The Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin assisted in compiling the texts of the booklet of the collector coin.

is an author of about 50 stamps, postcards, booklets and collector coins. Among international award-winning collector coins authored by him are “Tanacetum Zangezuricum”, “Jazz”, “Artashat-2200” and “Movses Khorenatsi-1600”. In addition, for circulating commemorative coins of the “Wild Trees of Armenia” series, he was awarded an honorary prize in the “Best Circulating Commemorative Coin-2015” category at the International Numismatic Contest organized by International Association of Currency Affairs in Madrid, Spain.



Internal contest - 2021

In 2021 the Central Bank of Armenia organized
“The Best Collector Coin of the Year” internal contest.
All collector coins issued by the Central Bank of Armenia in
2021 participated in the contest.

The CBA employees gave their preference to the
“Arno Babajanyan-100” silver collector coin
(*designer: Vardan Vardanyan*).



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