Collectors, dealers, and coin enthusiasts flock to the Carson City Mint Coin Show at the Nevada State Museum every August to buy, sell, trade, and share coin camaraderie with people from all over the globe. Some are curious about the stories behind the symbols, others are drawn by an interest in the animals and people depicted. There might even be a fascination with history, foreign countries or ancient civilizations and there is investment too.

The 2012 weekend show at the site of the former U.S. Mint in Carson City is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, August 24 and 25. The show features demonstrations by Coin Press No.1, 23 coin dealers, numismatic education, gold panning, a children's treasure chest, food sales and raffle prizes. Admission is free for museum members and children 17 and under; non-member adult admission is $8 per day. Entrance fee includes the coin show and all exhibits.

"Many find the process of minting as fascinating as the coins themselves," said Bob Nylen, curator of history for the museum. Coin Press No. 1 has a long a colorful history which continues to this day. It struck the first coin, a Seated Liberty Dollar, on February 11, 1870 bearing the soon to be famous CC mintmark. The original press still works, today producing commemorative medallions bearing the CC mintmark." Museum visitors can see the press in action the last Friday of each month and at the coin show.

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