



Meet your instructor:

Bob Mellor



Bob is an experienced numismatist who became interested in the hobby at the age of 8, guided by his uncle who was a coin collector that showed Bob the ropes. As a paper delivery boy, Bob had ample exposure to circulating coinage which he used to fill out his blue Whitman tri-folds. His interests include specializing in items associated with early America. Bob is an American Numismatic Association (ANA) Life Member, ANA Certified Grading Instructor, ANA Certified Exhibit Judge and ANA District Representative. He is a member of several clubs in Florida, and national organizations such as the Combined Organization of Numismatic Error Collectors of America (CONECA) and the John Reich Collectors Society.

Bob has authored several books and written many articles for FUNTopics, CONECA and TAMS.

A recipient of several service awards from the ANA, in 2021 Bob was recognized with the 2021 Lawrence J. Gentile Sr. Memorial Award for Outstanding Adult Advisor. Per the citation, *Mellor has made countless contributions to the ANA and the hobby. He is passionate about sharing his experience and depth of knowledge with others and gives many presentations each year to both numismatic and non-numismatic organizations. A regular volunteer instructor on the topic of numismatics for an adult continuing education outreach program, he also conducts a monthly CoinTalk event at his local library and teaches a grading course for the ANA's Florence Schook School of Numismatics.*

Bob earned a bachelor's degree from the Florida Institute of Technology after which he accomplished a 35+year career in the aerospace industry. In 2001 he retired from Lockheed Martin as a program launch director. Interestingly, Bob is also a former SWAT (Special Weapons and Tactics) team member!