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Casino Collectibles Show Features Gaming History Celebrities

Meet & Greet Series offers opportunity for the public to witness gaming history through those who lived it.

LAS VEGAS (June 1, 2022) — Visitors to the <u>Casino Collectibles Association</u>'s 29th annual Casino Chip and Collectibles Show in Vegas will have a unique opportunity to meet and chat with four prominent figures who were eyewitnesses to gaming history. Here are the celebrities who will headline the new informal *Celebrity Meet & Greet Gaming Education Series*, the latest addition to the World's Largest Casino Chip and Collectibles exhibition, which runs Thursday thru Saturday, June 16-18, 2022, at the South Point Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas:



Tom McEvoy. He won the 1983 World Series of Poker Main Event and was inducted into the Poker Hall of Fame in 2013. Talk poker with him 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, June 16 and 17.



Chris Andrews. He turned the sportsbook at the tiny Cal Neva casino into one of the biggest and most successful sports book in Nevada. Talk sports betting with him 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday June 16.



J. Michael Niotta, Ph.D. His great grandfather was LA "Godfather" Jack Dragna who, along with partners like Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegel, helped pioneer the offshore gambling industry and the racing wire service. Visit with him from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday June 17.





Dustin Marks. 35 years ago, he dealt blackjack and cheated the casinos out of millions of dollars – and never got caught. Meet him from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 18.

The *Celebrity Meet & Greet Gaming Education Series* is the personification of the Casino Collectibles Association's objective to foster the preservation and

education of gaming history. Each gaming celebrity has volunteered their time to greet, meet and mingle with show attendees, answer their questions and satisfy their curiosity about the personality's unique role in the shaping of the gaming industry we know today.

More About the Show

The Casino Collectibles Association's annual show is open to the public. It features casino chip experts and their displays dedicated to a multitude of gaming chip categories such as rare chips, roulette chips, counterfeit chips, illegal casino chips, odd denomination chips and collections dedicated to sports and even aliens. Additional collections on display will include gaming tokens, dice, slot cards, playing cards, matchbooks, menus, dinnerware, swizzle sticks, casino photos, post cards and more.

Concurrent to the Show, as part of the Casino Collectibles Association's educational endeavors, the club hosts four educational seminars which are offered to the public free of charge. A live auction of hundreds of casino chips and other casino memorabilia is also offered at no charge to show attendees. These bonus activities are held in adjacent meeting rooms at the South Point Hotel and Casino. A complete show schedule is available at http://www.ccgtcc.com/2022_convention_schedule.pdf

The Casino Chips and Collectibles Show registration and admission is open to the public June 16, 10 AM – 5 PM (admission \$10), June 17, 9 AM – 4 PM (admission \$5) and June 18, 9 AM – 4 PM (admission is free). Location is Exhibit Hall C at the South Point Hotel Casino, 9777 Las Vegas Blvd. South, Las Vegas, Nevada.





Download photos of the four *Celebrity Meet & Greet Gaming Education Series* celebrities at http://ccgtcc.com/publicity/cca_show_meetandgreet.html

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ABOUT THE CASINO COLLECTIBLES ASSOCIATION

The <u>Casino Collectables Association</u>, (CCA) is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) club devoted to the fast-growing hobby of collecting casino memorabilia. The club is a resource for information and history of gaming artifacts, including one of the largest archives of gaming manufacturer records and casino gaming chips. Become a member and take advantage of the experts who volunteer their expertise in this fascinating hobby.

An educational project of the CCA, the <u>Museum of Gaming History</u> (MoGH) comprises an expanding series of fascinating casino memorabilia kiosk exhibits in Las Vegas located within The El Cortez and Plaza casinos, and the Nevada State, Mob, and National Atomic Testing museums and Spinettis Gaming Supplies. A single permanent location is the ultimate goal.

Editor's note: The Casino Collectibles Association is the dba of the Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club.

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