

Michael Collins Signing - May 2018

Apollo 11's **Michael Collins** signs exclusively for ASTRONAUT CENTRAL. He rarely leaves his south Florida home, but is returning to Tucson by popular demand. Collins' autograph is an extremely rare commodity. He does not answer requests by mail and very rarely makes public appearances, award presentations, or crew reunions. Our annual signings and Spacefest shows are the only way to obtain Collins' unquestionably authentic autograph! He unfortunately won't be attending Spacefest IX, so this is your only chance this year to have him sign something for you. He will sign your mailed-in items in May 2018 (**deadline for receiving all orders, Monday, April 16**). Simply decide what and how you want your items signed, fill in the order form and send it to us by Monday, April 16, and we'll return your goods with a fresh, authentic signature and free, printed Certificate of Authenticity noting the date of the signing. **This is NOT a public event: mailed-in memorabilia only.**

We have been doing private astronaut signings for almost 20 years. One of the major problems we have is dealing with inordinate amounts of email and phone calls, before, during, and after the signing. To help alleviate this, please read the guidelines for our signings. Most questions and concerns are addressed in the guidelines.

Get a tracking number when you ship your item(s) to us. You'll be able to confirm that your package arrived. We get dozens of calls asking if items arrived, which takes precious time away from prepping for the signing. We have never lost a piece, or damaged it while here. If your item arrives with damage, we'll let you know.

Please avoid making changes or additions after you have submitted your order. Once the items are tagged it is difficult to retrieve them. They are sorted by size, pen color, etc, not by your name.

PLEASE read NEW guidelines

MICHAEL COLLINS 2018 AUTOGRAPH FEES	
NOTE: Each signature includes 1 free mission inscription. SPECIFY , e.g. "Apollo XI CMP", "none", etc.	
BASEBALLS & INSCRIPTIONS (e.g. "Good Luck" or "First Lunar Landing")	WILL NOT DO
BASIC ITEMS SIGNING FEE (photos, flat art, beta cloth, non-Collins or multiple-authored books)	\$350 per signature
COLLINS-AUTHORED BOOKS SIGNING FEE (only those authored SOLELY by Collins, NOT by multiple authors)	\$295 per signature
3D ITEMS (models, globes, etc.) SIGNING FEE	\$385 per signature
POSTAL COVERS & PHILATELICS SIGNING FEE	\$390 per signature
ADDITIONAL GEMINI 10 CREW COMPLETION SIGNING FEE (Gemini 10 item already signed by Young)	+\$105 per item
ADDITIONAL APOLLO 11 CREW COMPLETION SIGNING FEE (Apollo 11 item already signed by Armstrong and Aldrin)	+\$350 per item
SIMPLE PERSONALIZATIONS (IF you request it, e.g.: "to Tom & Diane"; but NOT "Best Wishes" or the like)	FREE with autograph
Add'l MISSION (e.g.: "Gemini X"), DATE , or TIME INSCRIPTIONS (SPECIFY exactly what you want written, and tell us exactly which date)	+\$25 per mission, date, or time
PHOTO OF AUTHENTICITY (POA) (digital photo of Collins holding your signed item, emailed about 3 weeks after event)	+\$40 per item

PAYMENT & RETURN OF ITEMS: We begin charging credit cards a week to 10 days before the actual signing, so we can clear up problems. Most orders have some sort of problem. Yours is typically one of hundreds of orders, but they are all received, reviewed, signed, packed & shipped with the individual attention we're known for. **Please** don't call or write asking where your stuff is, just because you see a charge on your statement. It takes time to locate a specific order in the flow and determine its status -- time taken away from others. It takes a few weeks to get everything out. Please be patient.

FOR U.S. MAIL (USPS)	FOR UPS, FEDEX, DHL:	EMAIL: rob@novaspace.com
Astronaut Central	Astronaut Central	800-727-6682 US and Canada
PO Box 37197	720 W Prince Rd, Ste 110	FAX 520-292-9852
Tucson, AZ 85740	Tucson, AZ 85705	Int'l 520-888-2424

DO

- ✓ Sign your order form.
- ✓ Include expiration date, CVV code & billing address.
- ✓ Quick contact info: Email address; daytime phone #.
- ✓ Send order form with items.
- ✓ Include pen color, width, placement.
- ✓ Remove and keep dust jackets before shipping books.
- ✓ Use sample images or acetates to indicate placement and angle on item.
- ✓ Make checks payable to NOVASPACE.COM.
- ✓ Send USPS (U.S. Mail) items to our PO Box address, instead of to our street address.

DON'T

- ✗ Leave us to fill out your order form for you.
- ✗ Send order form separately from items, or send duplicate order forms. You may be charged twice.
- ✗ Send/order more than eight (8) items to have signed.
- ✗ Send inkjet (giclee) items to be signed.
- ✗ Send extra COAs, papers, items not being signed.
- ✗ Stick post-it notes on inkjet (giclee) items.
- ✗ Send baseballs or ask for additional inscriptions - Collins won't sign these.
- ✗ Send USPS (U.S. Mail) items to our street address; send them to our PO Box address, instead.

WE HAVE PHOTOS, PRINTS, POSTERS, AND BOOKS TO SIGN

We can provide unsigned, borderless copies of our photos (\$10 for 8x10, \$55 for 16x20) printed on Fuji Crystal Archive paper, the best for longevity and quality. You might also look at our art prints, posters, and books, and have Collins sign one of the moon, Apollo, or other. Just identify the photo, print, poster, or book you want signed on the order form, with its price. If you are having only our items signed, but not sending your own items, then you can email or fax your completed order form to us. See our unsigned items at www.astronautcentral.com/SIGNINGS/COLLINS/MikeStuff.html

RETURN OF INTERNATIONAL ORDERS

You are responsible for any duties or VAT. Please be aware that any insurance value triggers a duty, but we cannot be held responsible for loss or damage if not insured. Customs officers are increasingly consulting the internet for valuations and all are requiring invoices.

RISK & LIABILITY

We have only had a couple of complaints with our custom signing service, out of thousands of satisfied customers. We cannot guarantee your satisfaction with placement, as we are not in complete control here, but we do our utmost to get it right. Remember, items sent directly to some astronauts can get lost, damaged, smeared, or otherwise messed up, and you must accept some risk. Our liability is limited to \$100 per item while it's here in the store. That being said, we've never damaged anything.

PENS & PLACEMENT

You can send your own pens, but we do this a lot, so we have every color of marker, fine or medium point on hand, as well as silver & gold metallic pens in fine or extra-fine point. If there's a pen you specifically need to match, send it along. PLEASE tell us WHERE to sign and WHAT COLOR pen to use. Or--you can leave it to us.

DEADLINE

Monday, April 16th is the 'drop-dead' deadline for receipt of orders and items. If you have an unusual item that needs approval, we strongly suggest letting us know early. OVER 70% OF ORDER FORMS WE RECEIVE HAVE ERRORS OR NEED CLARIFICATION. Please get your items here early and watch your email daily.

FLOWN ITEMS

None of the astronauts we have had so far will sign flown items from a third party, not even crewmates. Signing implies endorsement and authentication. Unless it's from the astronaut's own PPK (personal preference kit), they are reluctant to sign. Call or write first.

ADDITIONAL SHIPPING

USA return shipping & handling is automatically added to each order (\$24) for shipments up to TWO pounds. HEAVIER ITEMS, like large books, boxes, or overseas orders must get a quote, or include credit card number on the order form so we can calculate the additional shipping after the signing, and email you a quote before shipping.

