


Design: Benjamin Löbbert

Benjamin Daniel Emil Löbbert, born in 1983, comes from Kempten in the Allgäu region of Bavaria. After training as a silversmith, he worked for a renowned Munich jeweller for the first few years of his career, until he decided to learn the profession of engraver in order to broaden and deepen his craftsmanship skills. He acquired these in 2012 in Neugablonz, and one year later he graduated from the school for master goldsmiths and silversmiths in Munich. Afterwards, Benjamin Löbbert worked as a freelance artist and took part in various private viewings and exhibitions with his paintings and sculptures. He came to Bern in 2017 and has been working as an engraver at Swissmint ever since. Benjamin Löbbert signs his works with his logo , a tradition from his silversmith days.



Characteristics

Effigy

150 years of the Swiss Firefighters Association

Artist

Benjamin Löbbert, Bern

Technical data

Alloy: Silver 0,835

Weight: 20g

Diameter: 33mm

Legal face value

20 Swiss francs

Date of issue

3 September 2020

Selling period

Up to 2 September 2023

or while stocks last

Mintage

Uncirculated coin:

20,000 pieces

Proof coin in presentation case:

5,000 pieces



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Official commemorative coins

Each year, the Federal Mint Swissmint issues a small number of commemorative coins featuring carefully selected subjects. The coins in bimetals, silver and gold bear an official nominal value and are available in various minting qualities – as collectors' pieces in their own right or as an exquisite gift.

150 years of the Swiss Firefighters Association

The Swiss Firefighters Association represents the interests of both part-time and professional firefighters in Switzerland and the Principality of Liechtenstein. The idea of founding the association was first mooted in 1869 in Herisau in the canton of Appenzell Ausserrhoden. It was established in Aarau in 1870 as what was then still a club. The Swiss Firefighters Association is therefore celebrating its 150th anniversary in 2020. Today, supporting the interests of firefighters and exchanging knowledge are still important aims of the association. Furthermore, the Swiss Firefighters Association is a modern and innovative service company that works in a performance and results-oriented manner. It supports the cantonal associations, brings together the language regions of Switzerland and is politically neutral. Finally, the association serves as a link to the national partners in civil protection and is active internationally.

In all these activities, the Swiss Firefighters Association aims to support the fire departments in creating the best possible conditions and to help motivate young people to join them. Recruitment of firefighters is also becoming increasingly difficult as fewer and fewer people are signing up for voluntary and part-time work. This is especially the case when such work involves responsibility or is unpaid or remuneration is very low. Yet, voluntary and part-time work is part of the basis of our direct democracy.