

Michael Collins Signing - April 2019

This July marks the 50th anniversary of Apollo 11, and the first humans to walk on the Moon! 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 will sign your mailed-in items at the beginning of April 2019 (**deadline for receiving all orders and items at Novaspace is Friday, March 15**). Simply decide how you want your item signed, fill in the order form and send it to us by Friday, March 15, and we'll return your goods with a fresh, authentic signature. Each custom-signed item includes a free, printed Certificate of Authenticity (COA) noting the date it was signed (but no description of the item). If you want more authentication, you can add a digital Photo of Authenticity (POA), showing the astronaut holding YOUR signed item, emailed to you about 3 to 4 weeks after the event. **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 2019 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
BOOKS THAT COLLINS WILL NOT SIGN	See List on Page 3
BASIC ITEMS SIGNING FEE (photos, flat art, beta cloth, non-Collins or multiple-authored books)	\$450 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	\$490 per signature
POSTAL COVERS & PHILATELICS SIGNING FEE	\$500 per signature
ADDITIONAL GEMINI 10 CREW COMPLETION SIGNING FEE (Gemini 10 item already signed by Young)	+\$135 per item
ADDITIONAL APOLLO 11 CREW COMPLETION SIGNING FEE (Apollo 11 item already signed by Armstrong and Aldrin)	+\$400 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)	+\$30 per mission, date, or time
PHOTO OF AUTHENTICITY (POA) (digital photo of Collins holding your signed item, emailed about 3 to 4 weeks after event) Please request POA after each item on order form, NOT lumped at bottom of form. NOTE: WE CANNOT COMBINE MULTIPLE ITEMS INTO ONE POA	+\$40 per item

PAYMENT & RETURN OF ITEMS: We begin charging credit cards about a week before the signing, so we can clear up problems. 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.** We'll email a tracking number when shipped. 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.
- ✓ Use more than one order form, if needed.
- ✓ 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

- ✗ Send baseballs or ask for additional inscriptions - Collins won't sign these.
- ✗ Send your camera to take pictures with.
- ✗ Request volume discounts. There are none.
- ✗ 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, without prior permission.
- ✗ Send inkjet (giclee) items to be signed.
- ✗ Send extra COAs, papers, items not being signed.
- ✗ Stick post-it notes on inkjet (giclee) items.
- ✗ Send USPS (U.S. Mail) items to our street address; send them to our PO Box address, instead.
- ✗ List more than 3 items on each order form; use extra forms, if needed.

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

We can provide unsigned, borderless copies of our photos printed on Fuji Crystal Archive and Kodak Professional Endura paper. You might also look at our art prints, posters, and books, and have Collins sign one of them. Just identify on the order form the photo, print, poster, or book you want signed, 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 and prices 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. If you are unsure of cost, please write on order form requesting options and quotes before shipping.

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

Friday, March 15th is the 'drop-dead' deadline for receipt of orders and items at Novaspace. 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 may imply 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 (\$25) 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.

BOOK LISTS

Michael Collins has decided that there are some books he will not sign. Here are partial lists of ones he will and will not sign. We will update the lists, as we learn more titles. If you have a book you want signed that does not appear on these lists, please contact us for approval before shipping.

BOOKS THAT COLLINS WILL SIGN

Michael Collins will sign any book that he authored or co-authored, or to which he directly contributed a chapter, paragraph, preface, introduction, or epilogue. He will also sign some official NASA publications about the history of Apollo.

PARTIAL LIST OF BOOKS THAT COLLINS WILL SIGN

1. Moonbound: Apollo 11 and the Dream of Spaceflight by Jonathan Fetter-Vorm
2. Apollo to the Moon: A History in 50 Objects by Teasel E. Muir-Harmony
3. Carrying the Fire by Michael Collins
4. First on the Moon by Armstrong, Collins, Aldrin
5. Flying to the Moon: An Astronaut's Story by Michael Collins
6. Liftoff by Michael Collins
7. Mission to Mars by Michael Collins
8. Apollo Expeditions to the Moon (Official NASA Publication)

BOOKS THAT COLLINS WILL NOT SIGN

Michael Collins will not sign most books that were written about him without his input, some that include only interviews, or that simply mention him or simply list his name in the index, etc.

PARTIAL LIST OF BOOKS THAT COLLINS WILL NOT SIGN

1. The Man Who Went to the Far Side of the Moon: The Story of Apollo 11 Astronaut Michael Collins by Bea Uusma Schyffert
2. I Love You, Michael Collins by Lauren Baratz-Logsted
3. Michael Collins: Discovering History's Heroes by James Buckley Jr.
4. Far Side of the Moon: The Story of Apollo 11's Third Man by Alex Irvine & Ben Bishop
5. The Mission of a Lifetime: Lessons from the Men Who Went to the Moon by Basil Hero
6. Rocket Men: The Daring Odyssey of Apollo 8 and the Astronauts Who Made Man's First Journey to the Moon by Robert Kurson

