

= Commissioner 's Trophy (MLB) =

The Commissioner 's Trophy is presented each year by the Commissioner of Baseball to the Major League Baseball team that wins the World Series . Recent trophy designs contain flags representing each team in North America 's top two leagues , the National League and the American League . The two participating teams in that year 's World Series were previously represented by two press pins set on the base of the trophy . It is the only championship trophy of the four major sports in North America that is not named after a particular person (contrasting with the National Hockey League 's Stanley Cup , the National Football League 's Vince Lombardi Trophy , and the National Basketball Association 's Larry O 'Brien Trophy) .

= = History = =

Although it did not receive its current name until 1985 , the trophy was first awarded in 1967 , when the St. Louis Cardinals defeated the Boston Red Sox . Before that year , the champion of the World Series did not receive an official trophy . A new Commissioner 's Trophy is created each year , much like the Lombardi Trophy and the O 'Brien Trophy ; in contrast , the Stanley Cup is passed from champion to champion . Before 1997 , the trophy was presented to the winners in their locker room ; starting with that season , the presentation happened on the field if the champion clinched the title in their home stadium . Since its inception , the only year that the Commissioner 's Trophy has not been awarded was 1994 , when the players ' strike ended the season on August 11 , resulting in the cancellation of the entire post @-@ season . The New York Yankees have won the most Commissioner 's Trophies (seven World Series wins since 1967) . The St. Louis Cardinals hold the record for the most trophies won in the National League (four wins) .

= = Design = =

The current trophy was redesigned in 1999 for the 2000 World Series and made by Tiffany & Co . The original trophy was designed by Lawrence Voegelé , of Owatonna , Minnesota . The trophy is 24 inches (61 cm) tall , excluding the base , and has a diameter of 11 inches (28 cm) . It weighs approximately 30 pounds (14 kg) and is made of sterling silver . The trophy features 30 gold @-@ plated flags , one for each of the Major League teams , which rise above a silver baseball covered with latitude and longitude lines that symbolize the world . The baseball also contains 24 @-@ karat vermeil baseball stitches . The base contains an inscription of the signature of the commissioner , as well as the words " Presented by the Commissioner of Baseball " . The new design was presented for the first time at the conclusion of the 2000 World Series , won by the Yankees .

= = = Trophy designs = = =

= = By franchise = =