

Custom Cars and Hot Rods take to the field Saturday June 3 at Greenwich Concours

Supercars and children's cars also featured

GREENWICH, Conn. (May 23, 2017) - Saturday, June 3, at the two-day (June 3-4) 2017 Greenwich Concours d'Elegance at Roger Sherman Baldwin Park in Greenwich, Conn., will feature the popular Hot Rod and Custom Car classes, children's cars and Supercars of the world. The day will end with a gala at the Delamar Hotel.

Organized by *Chasing Classic Cars* TV host Wayne Carini, along with automotive journalist Ken Gross, collector Ralph Marano Jr. and Chief Judge Jed Rapoport, the display of Hot Rods and Custom Cars will range from the legendary Ed "Isky" Iskenderian's 1924 Ford Model T Roadster to contemporary Custom Cars by Rick Dore and Rob Ida. There will be a special presentation beginning at 11:30 a.m. at the awards tent where they will discuss the design and build of the cars.

Ida will showcase a 1940 Mercury and a 1948 Tucker Custom, uniquely designed and created at Rob Ida Concepts in Morganville, N.J. "We're super excited to be a part of the Greenwich Concours," said Ida, whose company brings three generations of experience in the specialty automobile industry. "For one of the nation's most coveted Concours to recognize the work of Modern Coach Builders is nothing short of inspiring. Coach Builders have existed as long as cars have and there was a time that these artists and craftspeople were admired and featured for their unique one-of-a-kind vehicles. It's nice to know that the craft is still being recognized at such a high level at the Greenwich Concours."

Dore will display a 1956 Lincoln Continental Mark II "ReMARKable" and a 1963 T-Bird "Tango." "I've been hearing about the Greenwich Concours d'Elegance for years," said Dore, who operates Rick Dore Kustoms in California. "Our focus is American roadsters from the 1930s through 1960s, and I'm excited to have our cars and car culture showcased at such a great event."

Carini, based in Connecticut, is known as a master car restorer, car collector and television personality. He owns three restorations companies and, as host of *Chasing Classic Cars* on Velocity Channel, he welcomes you into the elite club of car restorers and collectors as he buys, restores and sells vintage rides. He also introduces you to owners of the most exclusive and secret garages open only to him. Concours visitors will see hot rods from Carini's collection, including his "Moal Speedway" which was featured on an episode of *CCC*.

The extreme Supercars, known for their high-performance and radical design, will also be featured on the field. Cars unattainable to most ordinary citizens will dazzle the senses. They include a Pagani Huayra BC, a Bugatti Veyron SS and a Ferrari LaFerrari.

Children's cars on display will include a Ferrari Bimbo Racer, Ford GT40 and a Jaguar XKE.

Tickets for the Saturday Night Gala at the Delamar Hotel across the water from the Concours site and sponsored by Burgess Yachts, duPont REGISTRY and Betteridge Jewelers, are available. The l'escale restaurant will offer a gourmet buffet and open bar, with luxury yachts on display at the docks. Proceeds from the silent auction will benefit Americares, a health-focused relief and development organization that responds to people affected by poverty or disaster with life-changing medicine, medical supplies and health programs.

VIP tickets are available on a limited basis and must be purchased online. A VIP ticket includes early entry to the Concours, breakfast and lunch with the car owners and judges, access to the VIP lounge and patio at the Delamar Hotel, entrance to the Bonhams Cocktail Reception on Friday night, lapel pin, poster and a VIP lanyard.

- Gates open at 10 a.m. for general admission, 8 a.m. for VIP ticket holders
- Advance tickets for both days are available at \$30 per day or \$50 for both days
- Children 12 and under are free when accompanied by an adult
- VIP Admission is \$250 per day or \$450 for both days
- Saturday Night Gala tickets are available for \$175
- Tickets can be purchased at <http://www.greenwichconcours.com/visitors/tickets/>
- Admission to Bonhams auction on Sunday is available on site at \$45 for two people
- To request media credentials, please go to <http://www.greenwichconcours.com/press-links/>
- Online ticket sales will end on Memorial Day
- Additional information may be found at www.greenwichconcours.com

The weekend activities also include Friday night's Cannonball Reunion presented in cooperation with the Greenwich International Film Festival. For more information and tickets for this event, please go to: <https://web.ovationtix.com/trs/pe.c/10164058> or www.greenwichfilm.org

1. Rob Ida's 1948 Tucker Custom



2. Pagani Huayra BC

