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AUCTION WEEK!

**SIX MAJOR COLLECTOR AUCTIONS
PLUS ARIZONA CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE**

ACTIVE LIFESTYLE VEHICLE AWARDS

**GOODGUYS SOUTHWEST NATIONALS
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2016 CHRYSLER 300

2016 RAM PROMASTER CITY VAN

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Barrett-Jackson

44th Annual Collector Car Auction Event : Saturday, January 10 - Sunday, January 18, 2015
WestWorld - Frank Lloyd Wright Blvd at AZ Loop 101 - Scottsdale

Last year, Barrett-Jackson had the most successful auction in its history, with sales over \$113 million, as they sold 1399 cars to the delight of some 300,000 attendees. A whopping 14 vehicles were sold for the benefit of local and national charities. The auction was held for the first time at an all-new facility, still at Westworld of Scottsdale—a facility that included hundreds of exhibitors and non-stop entertainment. For 2015, an advance purchase All-Week Pass is \$100 for an adult, \$75 for senior, military or student with ID (gate prices are \$175 and \$125 respectively). Daily tickets are available, with prices varying day to day, as well as full day to evening, from \$5 to \$40 per single day, advance purchase (or \$8 to \$60 at the gate), with special rates for seniors, military, students and kids. ▼ Barrett-Jackson hosts annual auctions in Scottsdale, Palm Beach, Reno/Lake Tahoe, and Las Vegas.

▼ www.barrett-jackson.com

▼ SOMETHING TO KEEP AN EYE ON:

Lot #2524 2007 Ford Shelby GT500 Super Snake Prudhomme Edition: Racing legends Carroll Shelby and Don "The Snake" Prudhomme joined forces to build the ultimate street legal dragster. Only 100 were offered by Shelby Autos, and this is CSM #0001C, the concept used to launch the program. The two icons unveiled it in person during a reception at the Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum in February 2009. The concept car has a 5.4L supercharged engine (800 hp on race fuel or 750 hp on 93-octane pump gas), a Kenne Belle modified air intake in the tilt front end, a 5-point impact safety harness, Borla side exhaust, front and rear adjustable BMR racing suspension and drag tires. No reserve.

▼ SOMETHING TO KEEP AN EYE ON:

Lot #2500 1954 Pontiac Bonneville Special Motorama Concept: GM styling director Harley Earl had the idea for a sports racer called a Bonneville Special, while watching world speed records on the Utah Salt Flats. Prior to 1954, no GM car had ever carried the Bonneville name. The team built two Bonneville Specials: a bronze car debuted at the Waldorf in New York, and this green one in Los Angeles. The green car toured dealerships nationwide and is among the best-remembered Motorama cars. Reserve.

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Gooding & Company

8th Annual Scottsdale Auction : Friday-Saturday, January 16-17, 2015 (viewing Weds-Sat, January 14-17)
Fashion Square - 4700 N Scottsdale Rd, corner of E Highland Ave - Scottsdale

Gooding & Company appeals to the top end of the classic car collecting hobby with a focus on "best-of-category" vehicles. General admission to the viewing and auction is \$40 per person. An auction catalog for \$100 admits two to the viewing and auction. Children under 12 attend for free. For bidders, \$200 includes a catalog, admission for two to the viewing and auction with reserved seats (as available). Over the past seven years, Gooding has consistently achieved the highest individual sale of the Scottsdale auction week, except for last year, when their \$6-million-plus top sale was edged out by RM's \$8-million-plus top sale. Total sales for Scottsdale 2014 hit \$49,461,550, with a total of thirteen sales hitting seven figures. ▼ Gooding & Company is the official auction of the Pebble Beach Concours and has an auction during Amelia Island.

▼ www.goodingco.com

▼ SOMETHING TO KEEP AN EYE ON:

1960 Alfa Romeo Giulietta SZ: Coachwork by Zagato, Chassis Number AR10126.00043. One of only 200 of these factory-sanctioned race cars ever built, this unrestored time capsule is virtually untouched since the mid-'60s. Its extensive competition history includes the Targa Florio, Coppa Gallenga Hillclimb, Four Hours of Pescara, Tour de France, Coppa D'Autunno Monza and more, in the early 1960s. The car reemerged to win First in Class at the Park Concours in Lime Rock this past September. Beneath the beautiful Zagato coachwork is a 1290cc DOHC engine with twin Webers, delivering 100 hp to a 5-speed manual gearbox and 4-wheel finned aluminum drum brakes. Estimate: \$600,000-\$800,000.

▼ SOMETHING TO KEEP AN EYE ON:

1967 Chevrolet Yenko Super Camaro: Yenko No. YS-725, Chassis No. 124377N241474. This is one of about 54 originals and comes with its original Yenko inventory sheets. Restored by Camaro Specialists, the car has an OHV 427 V8 with single Holley 4-barrel and generates 450 hp, running through a 4-speed Muncie M-21 close-ratio manual. Four-wheel metallic power discs, front independent heavy-duty suspension with coil springs, and live rear axle with semi-elliptical leaf springs round out the vehicle. Estimate: \$425,000-\$525,000. •

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Bonhams

4th Annual Scottsdale Auction : Thursday, January 15, 2015 (viewing Tuesday-Thursday, January 13-15)
Westin Kierland Resort & Spa - 6902 E Greenway Pkwy - Scottsdale

Bonhams Scottsdale Auction returns to the Westin Kierland Resort & Spa for its fourth year. Last year, roughly 100 lots of automobilia and 100 lots of vehicles sold at Bonhams—five vehicles in the seven-figure range. Top was a 1951 Ferrari 212 Export Berlinetta at \$3,190,000, with an ex-Bill Harrah 1910 Thomas Flyer Model 6-40 Touring at \$275,000; and the only Fioni et Falaschi-bodied Bentley ever, a 1947 Bentley MK VI Coupe, at \$605,000. Affordable sales also happen, as Bonhams is newest among our high-strata auctions. A 1960 MGA 1600 Roadster sold for just \$24,200, and a 1948 Fiat 500B Topolino Cabriolet for just \$18,700 (perhaps impacted by following the exciting sale of a \$3.08 million Zagato Alfa). The Bonhams catalog, including entry, is \$330 (domestic delivery). ▼ Bonhams—since 1793—hosts a wide variety of auctions of many types, worldwide, throughout the year.

▼ www.bonhams.com

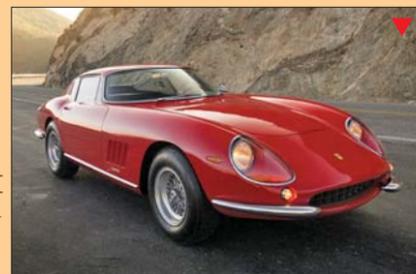
▼ SOMETHING TO KEEP AN EYE ON:

1949 Automobile Shippers Special Offenhauser: This AAA Championship Indianapolis Racing Single-Seater, Engine no. 56, will be offered on a Bill of Sale. More information will be available closer to auction date.

▼ SOMETHING TO KEEP AN EYE ON:

1966 Ferrari 275 GTB Competizione: Delivered new to legendary race team Scuderia Filipinetti of Geneva, chassis number 09079 is the eleventh (and one of the most prominent and successful) of just twelve built. This rare, matching-numbers Ferrari Classiche-certified car competed three times consecutively at Le Mans (1967, 1968 and 1969), winning the GT class its first year. In 1969, it won the Spa-Francorchamps GT class, then went on to win its class at Imola. With a lighter and stronger chassis than the standard 275, the Competizione cars, or GTB/C, were given twin saddle-mounted alloy fuel tanks with quick-access exterior fuel and oil filler caps, all wrapped in an ultra-thin alloy body. Its Tipo 213 Competition motor, developed from the Ferrari factory team racer of the previous year, was placed lower and farther back, for nearly perfect weight distribution. Authentic, pedigreed, historic and gorgeous, the highly useable 09079 is truly a car of international importance and represents a rare opportunity for interested buyers. •

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RM Auctions

16th Annual Automobiles of Arizona : Thurs-Fri, January 15-16, 2015 (preview Weds-Fri, January 14-16)
Arizona Biltmore - N 24th St and E Camelback Rd - Phoenix

For 2015, RM Auctions will run a two-day Arizona sale again. Last year, they achieved \$45,563,450 million in sales, with ten vehicles at seven figures and a couple of new auction records set. A highly prized 1958 Ferrari 250 GT LWB California Spider by Scaglietti was their headliner, one of only 50 built, with matching numbers and high provenance, and it sold for \$8,800,000—a new record for the Arizona auctions. Several other Ferrari sales also hit seven figures, and records were set for individual models from Bentley, Mercedes-Benz and even a 1986 Toyota Celica IMSA GTO at \$242,000. The official auction catalog admits two to the preview, for \$40. The auction is limited to bidders and consignors only. Bidder registration includes the catalog and admission for two to the preview and auction. ▼ RM Auctions is the official auction of Amelia Island Concours and hosts auctions worldwide.

▼ www.rmauctions.com

▼ SOMETHING TO KEEP AN EYE ON:

1966 Ferrari 275 GTB by Scaglietti: Chassis no. 08603, Engine no. 08603. The 275 GTB was designed and developed under Enzo Ferrari, along with a GTS drop-top. It has gorgeous bodywork, with a number of mechanical improvements to boost performance in Ferrari's best grand-tourer to that point. One of about 58 long-nose, torque-tube, triple-carburetor, steel-bodied examples, the 275 GTB has a 280-hp 33L V12 with triple dual-choke Webers, 5-speed manual transaxle, four-wheel independent suspension and four-wheel disc brakes.

▼ SOMETHING TO KEEP AN EYE ON:

1984 Audi Sport Quattro: Group B was added to WRC in 1982 as the industry moved from rear- to front-drive cars, and quickly took seven victories. Quattro had debuted in the Audi 80-based Quattro Coupe in 1980, and the new third race class allowed Audi to compete with its new all-wheel-drive system on varied rally stage surfaces. Quattro quickly came to define the brand, and homologation rules meant only 200 road-going examples were needed for public sale. With 302-hp 2133cc 20-valve inline 5-cylinder turbo and 5-speed manual, the car was a game changer. Just 8300 km since new. •

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Russo and Steele

15th Annual Sports & Muscle in Scottsdale : Wednesday-Sunday, January 14-18, 2015
N Scottsdale Rd and E Mayo Blvd at AZ Loop 101 - Scottsdale

Phoenix-based Russo and Steele specializes in European sports, American muscle, hot rods and customs, presented in a signature "auction in the round" format. The five-day 2014 event had record attendance, estimated at 35 percent higher than the previous year. Over \$21 million in sales had a sell-through rate approaching 70 percent. One of Lamborghini's very first road cars, the 350 GT, set a record at \$742,630. Another world record was set with a 1963 Pontiac Tempest Le Mans Super Duty drag racing car, at \$335,630. Russo's week also includes a charity gala, memorabilia auction, seminars and panel discussions. General admission is \$20 for one day, \$55 for three days or \$80 for five days. Bidder registration is \$200. ▼ Russo and Steele hosts annual auctions in Scottsdale, Newport Beach, Monterey and Las Vegas.

▼ www.russoandsteele.com

▼ SOMETHING TO KEEP AN EYE ON:

1957 Porsche 356 Speedster: Originally offered as a lower cost model specific to the US, the Porsche 356 Speedster is now considered one of the most beautiful and sought-after production Porsches of all time. Then-sole US importer Max Hoffman believed a raw, open-top version of the 356 would be a hit in the US. With its low profile, racing-inspired removable windshield, bucket seats and minimal soft top, the Speedster became an instant object of desire. One of about 1,171 Speedsters produced in 1957, this Ivory over red example continues to prove just how correct he was.

▼ SOMETHING TO KEEP AN EYE ON:

1959 Echidna Chassis #2 "The Grierson Car" Class "CM" Sports Racer: During the Golden Age of sports car racing in the US, the 1950s, one of the most competitive and important American race car specials was the Echidna. Conceived, designed and built by Ed Grierson, Bill Larson, and John Staver of Hibbing, Minnesota, they beat many of the era's best—Jaguar D-Types, Lister-Jaguars and Corvettes, Ferrari 750 and 860 Monzas, Mondials and Testa Rossas, and the Maserati 450S. Echidnas—just three in all—ruled SCCA C- and B-Modified competition. Echidna number 2 is powered by a hot small-block Chevy with Rochester fuel-injection and T-10 four-speed. •



Silver Auctions

18th Annual Arizona in January Auction : Friday-Saturday, January 15-17, 2015
We-Ko-Pa Resort at Fort McDowell Casino - Arizona 87 Beeline Highway, north of Fountain Hills

Silver Auction grows yearly as an event where you can comfortably buy and sell—real cars and real deals. While the average at most of the auctions is well into six figures, at Silver it's \$15,000 or so. The highest sale at Silver last January was a 1972 Jaguar E-Type Series III, at \$75,000. Forty-two cars sold in the \$20,000s, forty-six in the teens, and eighty-two under \$10,000. A 1995 Oldsmobile VistaCruiser wagon went for just \$1600. Some 60 percent of the 325-plus cars that crossed the block sold, and those 190 totaled just over \$3 million. If you want a something-for-every-budget event, and to buy something you can drive, attend Silver as a bidder, and see what you like. Head there with \$5000 or \$50,000 in your pocket and come out as a happy new owner. Admission is \$20, and children under 12 attend for free. ▼ Silver Auctions has three annual events in Arizona and several in the Northwest.

▼ www.silverauctions.com

▼ SOMETHING TO KEEP AN EYE ON:

Lot # 314: 1952 Mercury Monterey convertible in Vassar Yellow over burgundy/black: This is one of just 49 such cars believed still existing. A full frame-off restoration was done to documented standard, and it has been driven just 1000 miles since then. Everything works. Its 255-hp, 255 cu.in. flathead V8 occupies a meticulously detailed engine bay. The car has a 2-speed automatic, power brakes, power windows, radio, driving lights, wide whitewalls, locking gas cap and fender skirts. This is a blue chip investment you can drive and enjoy.

▼ SOMETHING TO KEEP AN EYE ON:

Lot # 458: 1967 Chevrolet Chevelle SS: This car's frame-off restoration included all new springs, tie rods and bushings, every nut and bolt. The numbers-matching 396/325hp V8, turbo 400 transmission and rear end were completely overhauled. The car has the bench seat option, air conditioning with a new compressor, rare factory power disc brakes, power steering and the factory sport wheel. Five new Firestone red lines are installed. The car's original maroon-over-gold color combination is a rare one. This SS was painted ten years ago and has been driven less than 300 miles since its restoration. Built in California, this is a third-owner Arizona car, spotless down to its powder-coated undercarriage. ■