



Classic Cars Draw Record Crowds To Boca Raton Auction Event

Annual RM Collector Car Auction in Boca Raton, Florida Draws Thousands Of Car Enthusiasts From Across The Country

Ft. Lauderdale FL ([PRWEB](#)) February 24, 2005 -- They came from as far away as Seattle and Toronto to bid on some of finest examples of automotive history and soak up some Florida sunshine.

Held at the prestigious Royal Palm Polo Sports Club, February 11, 12 & 13th, RM Classic Cars' Boca Raton Collector Car Auction featured numerous celebrity-owned vehicles, elegant pre-war classics, exotic sports cars and rare Detroit muscle cars. Sales for the weekend totaled \$11.2 million dollars -- an increase of 33% over last year and an indication of the growing collector car hobby.

"We are overwhelmed with the attendance this year -- which has also been great for the local economy too," says RM's Florida partner Donnie Gould. "This event is becoming a great winter vacation destination for professional car collectors and we hope to build on this success with an even more exciting event next year," adds Gould.

Some of the notable sales included an important 1967 Shelby Cobra 427 CSX-3299. One of the lowest mileage 427 Cobras showing 5,300 original miles was the top seller at \$500,000. Other featured cars included a muscular 1969 Chevrolet Camaro COPO, an all numbers matching and documented car that was sold for \$165,000. Formerly the property of legendary child actress Ms. Shirley Temple, a 1938 Cadillac Series 90 V16 Formal Sedan brought in a respectable \$44,000. Another celebrity car, a 1934 Packard 1104 Rumble Seat Coupe Roadster, originally owned by Olympic Gold Medal figure skater and Hollywood actress Sonja Henie brought in \$129,000. A customized 1969 Chevrolet Camaro SS - specially prepared by the pros at Dale Earnhardt Incorporated for Dale Earnhardt Jr's personal use sold for \$ 87,500 and a race bred 1956 Mercedes-Benz 300SL Gullwing was sold to an enthusiastic sports car collector for \$275,000.

RM Auctions next event will be an important sale of nearly 100 of the world's rarest and most desirable collector cars at the 'Vintage Motor Cars at Amelia Island' auction event, on March 12, 2005 at Amelia Island, Florida. Legendary dancer, actor and choreographer Mikhail Baryshnikov will be auctioning off his personal 1957 Buick Super 2 Door Coupe on the RM block with charitable proceeds from this car going to the Gilman International Conservation and the Baryshnikov Dance Foundation in New York. This auction event will be held in conjunction with the Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance at the elegant Ritz-Carlton Hotel on Amelia Island, located just north of Jacksonville, Florida.

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