

## **Canada's Largest Classic Car Auction Draws International Audience to Toronto**

Thousands of Car Enthusiasts From Across North America to Converge On RMs Toronto International Fall Classic Car Auction - October 22-24, 2004 at The International Centre in Mississauga

BLENHEIM, Ontario, Canada (<u>PRWEB</u>) October 8, 2004 -- Collecting classic cars is gaining popularity with enthusiasts searching across the country to buy and sell their dream cars. Over 400 of these classic, sports and muscle cars are expected at RMÂ $\square$ s Fall International Classic Car Auction, held at the International Center, October 22-24, 2004 and sponsored by the Ontario Ford DealerÂ $\square$ s Association.

 $\hat{A} \square$  This event continues to attract serious buyers and sellers from across Canada and the U.S. $\hat{A} \square$  says Rob Myers, founder of RM Auctions.  $\hat{A} \square$  We $\hat{A} \square$  ve been doing this event in Toronto for over twenty years now. $\hat{A} \square$   $\hat{A} \square$  With a good U.S. exchange rate, great hotels and easy access makes Toronto the perfect place to host this show, $\hat{A} \square$  adds Myers.

The demand for prime examples of automotive history continues to accelerate. Detroit  $\Box$  s famous muscle cars such as the 1967 Corvette 427-435 Roadster, the 1969 Dodge 426 Hemi Super Bee and the 1968 Shelby GT500 Mustang, which are up for bids, have attracted international interest  $\Box$  driving recent hammer prices into the six-figure level.

In addition to an automotive swap meet, the Toronto Fall International Classic Car Auction will also feature automotive collectables and memorabilia up for bids including a private collection of Vegas style slot machines.

Other exciting automobile auction offerings include:

 $\hat{A} \cdot 1968$  Shelby GT500 Mustang Fastback  $\hat{A} \square$  An exceptional numbers matching car, originally purchased in San Antonio, Texas. Special features include Ford $\hat{A} \square$ s powerful 428 cu. in. big-block V-8, a 4 speed manual transmission, extra cooling package, power disc brakes and steering. One of the most desirable American built muscle cars and listed in the official Shelby Register.

 $\hat{A} \cdot 1910$  Maxwell Touring  $\hat{A} \square$  This brass era car, popularized by comedian Jack Benny, is one of a few Maxwells Touring models in existence. Still retains its original drive train and is in superb operating condition. Built from 1903 to 1925, the Maxwell Company was eventually absorbed by the Chrysler.

 $\hat{A} \cdot 1969$  Dodge Hemi Superbee  $\hat{A} \square$  Powered by the mean 425 hp/428 cu. in. Hemi engine, this car had the most horsepower of any production car built in 1969. Recent restoration appraised the car at \$125,000 and is autographed by the legendary drag racer Don  $\hat{A} \square$  Big Daddy $\hat{A} \square$  Garlits, making it one of the rarest and most desirable machine of the muscle car era.

 $\hat{A} \cdot 1957$  Pontiac Bonneville F.I. Convertible  $\hat{A} \Box$  An attractive tail-finned classic with many factory amenities such as automatic transmission, rear deck antenna, power windows, power steering and Wonderbar radio. This nostalgic cruiser is finished in stunning white and blue is as strong as it is beautiful. An appreciating classic - one of only 630 built.

 $\hat{A} \cdot 1962$  Ferrari 250 GTO Replica  $\hat{A} \square$  This red stallion was reproduced using many original Ferrari parts including body panels, knock-off wheels, exterior trim and suspension parts from an actual Ferrari GTO, which sell today for several million dollars. Powered by a 352 cu. in. fuel injected, overhead cam six-cylinder mated



with a 4-speed close ratio transmission. Used in the 1991 MGM movie  $\hat{A} \square$  Delirious $\hat{A} \square$  starring the late John Candy.

 $RM\hat{A} \square s$  Toronto International Fall Classic Car Auction kicks off Friday at Noon, with a first-day vehicle preview. Friday $\hat{A} \square s$  auction action begins at 3:00 pm, and ends at 9:00 pm. On Saturday, doors open for preview at 9:00 am with the auction starting at 10:00 am and continuing until 9:00 pm. On Sunday, doors open for preview at 9:00 am, with the auction starting at 11:00 am and continuing until 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$15 pp for a day pass, or \$22 pp for a weekend pass. (Includes FREE parking) Kids 12 and under free.

Also held in conjunction with this event is the  $\hat{A} \square$  All About Cars $\hat{A} \square$  show held in Halls 1 & 2. This exciting automotive aftermarket show will feature a marketplace for car care, accessories, performance parts and services. Ticket buyers for either of these events will receive a half-price discount to attend the other show. For more info on the All About Cars show visit: www.allaboutcars.ca

For additional information regarding this event, or to consign a collector car or collection for this auction, please contact RM Classic Cars at 519-352-4575 or email: toronto@rmauctions.com

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