



GMMDA Member John Powell, Jr. to Chair 2005 Dallas Auto Show

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Southfield, MI ([PRWEB](#)) December 30, 2004 -- John Powell, Jr., General Motors Minority Dealers Association (GMMDA) member and president of Powell Chevrolet in Dallas, has been named chairman of the 2005 Dallas Auto Show scheduled for April 13 - 17, 2005 at the Dallas Convention Center.

"It is both my honor and privilege to be chairman of the 2005 Dallas Auto Show," said Powell. "I look forward to working with the staff to present a world-class event that will reflect the auto industry's dynamic growth in style, power and performance."

Powell, the youngest African-American dealership owner in the United States, is also the youngest person ever to chair this prestigious event. His duties as chair include directing and assisting with the overall planning, developing and promoting the auto show. Powell will also host the Sales Rally Breakfast on April 12 and introduce Rocky Bleier, guest speaker, former Pittsburgh Steeler and Vietnam Veteran.

"We were very excited to learn that one of our second generation GM dealers was selected to chair such an important event," said GMMDA executive director Marjorie Staten. "We are confident that J.R. will do a stellar job. The nation is certainly in for a wonderful treat at the Dallas Auto Show next April."

Powell Chevrolet has served the Dallas community for 11 years through sponsorship of various events and activities. The dealership encourages academic excellence by providing scholarship and internship opportunities for minority high school and college students through the GMMDA scholarship and internship programs.

Powell, Jr. serves on five Dallas area Chambers of Commerce, is a director of leadership Southwest, and is vice president of the Lancaster Economical Educational Foundation. He is also a member of the National Association of Minority Automobile Dealers, the New Car Dealers Association of Metropolitan Dallas, and the Style Committee for Design Industries Foundation Fight AIDS (DIFFA).

The GMMDA is a non-profit organization that represents the interest of over two-hundred minority owned General Motors dealerships across the country. The mission of the GMMDA is to promote, protect and encourage the viability and profitability of all existing General Motors dealers, and to encourage, through cooperative efforts with General Motors, the installation of new minority dealers in viable and profitable opportunities.

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