

## Concours d'Elegance the Easter Show presented by The Horseless Carriage Club of Missouri, Inc.

Stroll among the hundreds of extraordinary examples of fine automobiles from the past that will grace the Upper Muny Opera parking facility in Forest Park for this event held on Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025. The viewing public is invited free of charge to see the magnificent display from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Presented by the Horseless Carriage Club of Missouri, Inc. and sponsored by AAA, the "Easter Show" is the largest and most significant gathering of authentic restored and original antique vehicles 25 years old and older; with many dating back to the dawning days of the automotive industry more than a century ago. The Horseless Carriage Club of Missouri, Inc., one of the oldest car clubs west of the Mississippi, founded by the Captains of St. Louis automotive industry in 1944. You will still find the names of Dorris, Moon, Dyke and Gardner associated with this organization. We support this rich automotive history with vehicles from the early 1900s onward, by living up to our motto which is, "Rigs That Run." Preservation of this rich automotive history and educating about it are primary to the mission of the Horseless Carriage Club of Missouri.

2025 will be the 62nd show, a truly notable achievement. Each year the show is a little different.

This year's show poster features a beautiful dark blue 1966 Jaguar XKE convertible owned by Gary and Trudy Sudin of St. Louis County. Gary has owned the car since his college days and has done a complete ground up restoration on the vehicle over the years...even down to the blue-printed high-performance engine with header pipes taken off a Jaguar that raced in the 24 hours of Le Mans in France. The E-Type was based on Jaguar's D-Type racing car, which had won the 24 Hours of Le Mans for three consecutive years beginning in 1955.

A canary yellow 1920 Buick K44, with 3-speed manual transmission will grace the dash plaque for this year's show celebrating the pre-war era of automotive history. The car is owned by Wayne and Melba Nolan of Kimmswick, MO, and is pictured in front of Windsor Harbor Road Bridge that was moved to Kimmswick in 1930 from Carondelet Missouri where it had stood from 1874 to 1928.

Easter Show Committee member Peter Bitzer comments, "This show, is an Easter tradition for the greater St. Louis area and will attract St. Louis made autos and other manufacturers from the past as well as currently manufactured name plates. Vehicles in the show are at least 25 years old and older. There will be pristine Cadillacs, perfect Packards, along with beautiful brass-era cars. All vehicles slated for concours judging will have been manufactured during or before 2000."

Special attractions at this show include the Museum of Transportation's rare conceptual Chrysler Turbine Car that is frequently started throughout the show, and yes, it does sound like "a vacuum cleaner."

To register a vehicle for judging/display vehicles must be 25 years old or older, other rules apply, must be post marked by 4/6/25.

For more details, check online at the Horseless Carriage Club of Missouri's website which is found at www.hccmo.com

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