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Rare Packards, Old-school Fire Trucks and Vintage Rolls-Royces Highlight this Year's Pacific Northwest Concours d'Elegance

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TACOMA, Wash. (Aug 27, 2015) – With more than 160 vehicles, ranging from a 1903 Haynes-Apperson Touring to a 2015 Dodge Challenger Hellcat, this year's Pacific Northwest Concours d'Elegance presented by U.S. Bank at America's Car Museum (ACM) aims to please any car fan.

On September 13, "Working Guys" Trucks, Super Cars, Customs and Lead Sleds, and the Elegance of Rolls-Royce are included in the 13 classes that will grace the Museum's 3.5-acre Haub Family Field. The Concours boasts several showy and rare vehicles, including a 1955 Packard Caribbean hardtop, a 1936 Studebaker coupe, a 1935 Ford fire truck and a 1965 Silver Cloud III Rolls-Royce.

"Ultra-rare cars, the 'Belles of the Ball' CCCA Classics and our out-of-the-box 'Working Guys' Trucks are all part of the allure of the Pacific Northwest Concours" said David Madeira, PNWC Chairman and ACM CEO. "We've got awesome cars coming from across the United States and Canada for everyone to enjoy."

Madeira said that among these cool cars are several vintage Packards, including the ultra-rare '55 Caribbean hardtop, which represents Packard's short-lived V-8 era (1955-1956). The car often catches people by surprise with its dual antennas, rear fenders and three-tone paint scheme, in white, light green and dark green.

One of the featured Pre-War class cars is the '36 Studebaker President coupe. Part of Studebaker's Art Deco-inspired lineup, this car is believed to be one of only six President coupes in existence. The vehicle includes a 115-horsepower, straight-eight engine and a sinister-looking rear window.

Joining the first-ever "Working Guys" Truck class is a '35 Ford fire truck. In service from 1935-1969 in Meredith, New Hampshire, this fire engine sits on a half-ton Ford chassis. The truck underwent an extensive restoration and received new paint, upholstery, restored fire extinguishers and a period-correct emergency light.

The featured marque, Rolls Royce, includes a '65 Silver Cloud III that employs a 200-horsepower 6.2 liter V-8 engine and is the last Rolls-Royce model to have a separate chassis. This vehicle is preserved with all of its original paint, chrome, wood and leather exactly as it left the factory.

Of course, cars like these don't stay in mint condition without lots of loving care and restoration. Net proceeds from the Pacific Northwest Concours will benefit the Hagerty Education Program at America's Car Museum (HEP). HEP is a grant-giving program supporting educational programs, scholarships, and paid internships and apprenticeships for students to gain skills in preserving and



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restoring vintage vehicles. The program helps preserve cars like those found at the Pacific Northwest Concours d' Elegance.

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America's Car Museum (ACM), named one of *USA Today's* 10 Best Museums in Seattle and KING 5's 2014 Best Museum in Western Washington, is an international destination where families and enthusiasts gather to celebrate America's love affair with the automobile and how it shaped our society. The stunning, four-level, 165,000-sq.-ft. Tacoma, Wash., facility features 12 rotating exhibits, five annual Signature Events and serves as an educational center, hosting students of all ages. For more information on ACM, visit americascarmuseum.org.

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