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JAMES BOND'S LEGENDARY ASTON MARTIN DB5 STAR OF RM AUCTIONS' 2006 ARIZONA SALE

Vintage Motor Cars in Arizona

RM Auctions to Offer Legendary Cars from Master Spy James Bond, Gangster Al Capone and Country Super Star Hank Williams Jr. At Arizona Biltmore in Phoenix, Arizona, January 20, 2006

BLLENHEIM, Ontario, Canada (December 2, 2005) – RM Auctions returns to Phoenix, Arizona on January 20th, 2006 for its 7th Annual Vintage Motor Cars in Arizona auction with three extraordinary “celebrity” automobiles from the Smoky Mountain Car Museum of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. The single-day event, known for its record breaking auctions, will kick off the collector car season with some of the world’s most legendary and historically significant automobiles.

Leading the star car line-up is the internationally famous 1965 Aston Martin DB5 “The James Bond Car” - Chassis no. DB5/2008/R, the original star of the classic 007 films "Goldfinger" and "Thunderball", which will be offered for sale for the first time in 35 years.

Formerly the property of Sir Anthony Bamford, the 007 Aston Martin DB5 is one of several celebrity cars offered from the Tennessee museum where it has been on display since the late 1970. Complete with all the exciting spy features, the DB5 is one of only four cars originally commissioned by Eon Productions and used for film, tour and promotional use. This specific example with operating gadgets was primarily used for promotion during the movie’s release in the mid-sixties.

Some of the special James Bond options include: Front and rear hydraulic over-rider rams on bumpers; Front firing .30 caliber Browning machine guns powered by trunk mounted oxy/propane system; Wheel mounted tire slasher; Retractable rear bullet-proof screen; Radio telephone concealed in secret compartment; Radar scanner in racing type wing mirror with tracking screen in the cockpit; Passenger ejector seat - with removable roof panel (seat since replaced with standard seat); Oil slick ejector from left side rear light cluster; Triple spiked nails (caltrops) from the right side rear light cluster; Smoke screen released through separate rear system - located next to rear exhaust; Revolving number plates (3) featuring licenses YRE 186H, 007JB and JB007; and Armaments drawer under front driver seat.

It is one of only three examples that exist today and remains in completely original, low mileage condition. Its occasion for sale represents a rare opportunity to acquire what is widely considered to be the most famous car of all time. (Est. \$1,500,000 - \$2,500,000)

RM won't refuse any offer for Al Capone's 1928 Cadillac Town Sedan, Model 501, Series 341 A. Used for personal transportation around his Illinois empire, this specially constructed example was originally fitted with ¼-inch thick boilerplate panels in the body, floors, roof and surrounding the fuel tank and engine area. Its windshield and windows are equipped with one inch thick bulletproof glass and the rear window is specially hinged to slide down into the bodywork to allow Capone's associates to thwart pursuers by any means necessary. With these modifications, the car originally weighed in at a generous 8,000 pounds.

Cleverly disguised, the Cadillac is painted in the same colors as the Chicago police cars of the era and features an authentic police siren and flashing light. It is even said to have been used by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt after it was confiscated by the U.S. Treasury Department in 1932. On display in museums since 1933 in England, Canada and the U.S., this historically significant auto is offered for sale from the Smoky Mountain Car Museum where it was prominently featured since the early seventies.

Predating the ingenuity of 007's Aston Martin by 37 years, this Cadillac represents a rare opportunity to acquire one of the most historically significant pre-war American built cars of its time as it is not only fully documented with a continuous chain of ownership from new but also one of the only genuine surviving Al Capone owned and customized cars in existence. Offered Without Reserve (Est. \$750,000 - \$1,000,000)

If your heroes are cowboys, Hank Williams Jr.'s 1964 Pontiac Bonneville Convertible should fit the bill. Adorned with over 500 hundred U.S. silver dollars, 15 silver horseshoes, 12 large six-shooters and 6 small pistols, 3 rifles and 17 silver horse heads, it would be hard to find a more unique example. The Pontiac's entire interior including seats, seat belts, doors, carpeting and even gas and brake pedals is crafted of hand-tooled leather by the legendary "tailor to the stars" - Nudie Cohn. Other personalized accessories include a rhinestone-encrusted saddle that straddles the transmission hump and a continental trunk kit bearing the words "Hank Jr." and surrounded by miniature horse heads.

This incredible vehicle accompanied Williams on tours of the U.S. and Canada, has appeared on the Tonight Show, and featured prominently in the promotion of the movie Your Cheatin' Heart, starring George Hamilton. This car, more than any other, epitomizes country music's motoring history. Offered for sale from the Smoky Mountain Car Museum where it has been on display since 1968 in a custom made plexi-glass case, this unique and special car is just three owners from new and remains in excellent condition. This is a can't miss opportunity to own a "one of one" that is simply put – unbelievable. Offered Without Reserve (Est. \$250,000 - \$350,000)

RM Auction's 7th Annual Vintage Motor Cars in Arizona Auction will be held at the Arizona Biltmore Resort & Spa in Phoenix, Arizona on Friday, January 20th, 2006 from 12:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Auction vehicles can be previewed beginning Thursday, January 19th from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Friday morning beginning at 9:00 a.m. Admission is by catalog (\$80) which admits two people. Event and catalog information is available at www.rmauctions.com.

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