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About The 2008 Ault Park Concours d' Elegance

The Ault Park Concours d'Elegance is one of the most anticipated classic car show events in the United States. In its 31st year, nearly two hundred rare automobiles assemble each June in the gardens of Cincinnati's historic Ault Park. The automobile display is heightened by an exhibit of fine automotive art from local, regional and national artists, as well as a Fashion Show featuring the latest in women's summer styles. The 2008 event is themed "*Grand American Classics*" and will feature rarely-seen collections of marques such as Auburn, Cord, Duesenberg, Packard, Cadillac, Lincoln, Chrysler and others.

The 2008 event will also feature special displays of Historic Indy Cars and Micro Cars.

In 1978, Bill and Helen Williams began the first Cincinnati Concours d'Elegance, opening their estate to host the event. Based on the famous Pebble Beach Concours, the Cincinnati Concours d'Elegance featured 105 cars in four classes—antique, classic, milestone, and special interest. Famed wildlife artist John Ruthven donated one of his own paintings of a classic automobile. Also featured was a rare Crosley boat tail Roadster donated by Dr. Jerome Albert.

Since then, the annual Concours d' Elegance has continued to grow in size and in stature, becoming one of the most respected Concours d' Elegance in the United States. After many years of being held in Indian Hill, the Concours moved to Ault Park in 1996 and has called this Cincinnati landmark home ever since.

The Cincinnati Concours d' Elegance Foundation, a 501(c)3 organization, has been established to manage the event with all proceeds benefiting the Arthritis Foundation Ohio River Valley Chapter.

2008 Event Contact Information

Tickets, Sponsorship or any other information: 513-321-1951

Key Spokespeople

Bob and Diane Little, Chairpersons, 2008 Ault Park Concours d'Elegance

Fred Jones, Chair, Car Selection, 2008 Ault Park Concours d'Elegance

Dave Sheehy, Executive Board and past Event Chair

Mike Mereness, President, Cincinnati Concours Foundation

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2008 Event Information

Friday, June 6, 2008 – 6:30 p.m.

Grand Gala Welcome Party at the newly restored Greenacres Arts Center, Indian Hill.

Saturday, June 7, 2008 – 2:00 p.m.

Countryside Tour – Beginning at Mariemont Square, and Zakira's Garage Party at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 8, 2008 – 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Concours @ Ault Park open to the public – also features Automotive Art Show, Concours Patron Brunch, and Fashion Show.

About Cincinnati Concours d' Elegance Foundation

The Cincinnati Concours d' Elegance Foundation, a 501(c)3 organization, was established to manage the Ault Park Concours d' Elegance, the Midwest's most premier automotive event. The Arthritis Foundation Ohio River Valley chapter is the sole beneficiary of the event proceeds. To find out more about The Ault Park Concours d' Elegance, to order tickets, or to request a car nomination packet call 513-321-1951 or visit <http://www.ohioconcours.com>. For more information about the Arthritis Foundation, go to <http://www.arthritis.org/>.

About The Arthritis Foundation

The Arthritis Foundation is the only national, voluntary health agency dedicated to improving lives through leadership in the prevention, control and cure of arthritis and related diseases -- the nation's number most common cause of disability—through a commitment to research, public policy and public health. For more information about the Arthritis Foundation or the Ohio River Valley Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation, go to <http://www.arthritis.org/>.

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