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**May 1 - 3, 2026**

**Cal Expo, Sacramento, CA**  
**Early Entry Before: 02/1/26**  
**\$50 Late Fee After: 02/1/26**

**TO ENTER: MAIL OR EMAIL TODAY!** Please send completed & signed entry form and (4) photos of your vehicle. Email to: [info@rodshows.com](mailto:info@rodshows.com) or Mail check/ money order to:  
**Rod Shows 2209 E. Baseline Rd. Suite #300-300 Claremont, CA 91711**  
or by Credit Card.

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**All Entries receive a gift package, (2) set-up day passes, (2) three-day show passes and (1) parking pass for the duration of show.**  
**All Entries must start and move on their own power. One vehicle per entry form please. Judged show vehicles will take priority in the booking process.**

**INDOOR SHOW VEHICLES, LOWRIDERS & MOTORCYCLES 10x20 DISPLAY** Vehicle will be judged. Visit [www.rodshows.com](http://www.rodshows.com) for classifications. \$200.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**INDOOR SHOW VEHICLES, LOWRIDERS 20x20 DISPLAY** All vehicles requesting a special display of 20x20. Must have own display! \$400.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TRADITIONAL ROD & CUSTOM SHOWCASE** There will be a separate awards ceremony on Saturday night. \$150.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**BUTCH GARNER CLUB HOUSE** Please contact us @ 877-763-7469 for a separate application.

**PEDAL CARS, BICYCLES, WAGONS, and MINI VEHICLES** (Up to 5 entries) 1st entry is \$100.00, 2nd-5th entry \$75.00 each. \$100.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Full Show credentials will be issued for the first entry. A separate application form required for each additional entry.

**CUSTOM d'ELEGANCE AWARD** Open to all custom vehicles built from 1935-1964 with a silhouette change (vehicle must be chopped, channel or sectioned). Please contact us @ 1-877-763-7469 for a separate Custom d'Elegance application and more information.

**WORLD'S MOST BEAUTIFUL LOWRIDER** Vehicle must have undercarriage shown with spoke wheels, adjustable suspension, and have custom paint/pinstriping and/or murals. Please contact us @ 1-877-763-7469 for a separate Worlds Most Beautiful Lowrider application and more information.

**CARPET PACKAGE** 9'x 20' for cars, 9'x10' for bikes. Circle color (**Black, Red, Gray or Blue**) (\$400.00 after 3/1/25) \$300.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**ROPES & STANCHIONS** Will be provided. **ELECTRICITY FOR DISPLAY** (1) 500 watt plug in. (\$400.00 after 3/1/25) \$300.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDITIONAL SET-UP DAY PASSES** for move-in day \$15.00 ea. x \_\_\_\_\_ **ADDITIONAL 3 DAY SHOW PASSES** \$90.00 ea. x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**LEGENDS DINNER** Friday, May 1st @ 5:00pm at Cal Expo Clubhouse *This will sell out!* \$75.00 ea. x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Turf Club is located at Cal Expo on the south side of the Racetrack Grandstands.

**Vehicle will not be considered without four photos, payment & this signed application. (See #12 below)**

*There is a mandatory late fee after the entry deadline of 02/1/26* \$50.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your interest in "A Northern California Tradition" TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Onsite Contact Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Year \_\_\_\_\_ Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_

Body Changes & Modifications (chop, channel, section, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Other Details/Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

Has this vehicle been shown at this show before? \_\_\_\_\_ What year? \_\_\_\_\_ Changes? \_\_\_\_\_

Display Size Requesting  
X  
**Standard size 10' x 20'**  
Motorcycles 10' x 10'  
Mini Vehicles 5' x 5'  
Specialties 20' x 5'  
\*You must send a photo of your 20x20 display and be pre-approved.  
Limited number available.

**PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION BEFORE SIGNING AND RETURNING THIS ENTRY FORM**

- If accepted into the event, the exhibitor agrees to show the vehicle under the following terms and conditions. All applications are subject to Rod Shows approval. Approved vehicles will have an assigned space given to them at event.
- This show is produced by Rod Shows in accordance with the Official Rod Shows Classifications and Rules Book. The exhibitor and Rod Shows shall be bound by all said rules and regulations.
- The show can be overbooked as much as 5%. This is due to non-show participants. Exhibitors that are denied entry to the show because of a overbooking will have their entry fee refunded within 30 days and be provided 2 complimentary tickets.
- A sign board may be used to list major modifications and give credit to all persons and sponsors involved in the project. No commercial tie-ins, flyers, or business cards may be passed out at event unless you are an approved Vendor of the event.
- The producer of the show has the final authority to the location of all displays.
- Producer reserves the right to refuse any entry that does not meet show standards. Your payment doesn't guarantee a spot in event, and could be refunded anytime.
- When a vehicle and/or display is set up for the show, they cannot be removed until the end of the event without written permission of the producer.
- John Buck Enterprises, Inc. d.b.a. Rod Shows, show producer, show manager, show judges, sponsors & all show staff may not be held responsible for theft of, or damage to, vehicles or any artifacts on display at the event.
- Exhibitor agrees to obtain insurance covering exhibitors vehicle, trailer, display and all belongings. The exhibitor assumes full responsibility for any loss/damage.
- Awards and monies not picked up by 10:00 pm on Sunday night will be forfeited.
- Applications must be received in our office before the entry deadline. Rod Shows is not responsible for any lost or late entry materials.
- Please provide 3/4 front, 3/4 rear, engine, and interior photos with this application. Photos become the property of Rod Shows and may not be returned.
- Entry fees are non-refundable unless written notice is received via mail, fax or e-mail by 02/1/2026. **Cancellations forfeit entrant gift package & passes.**
- Returned checks are subject to a \$50.00 fee plus the original amount of the check.
- Tow money offered to pre-approved vehicles. Details available at rodshows.com.
- The owner, spouse, and agents, employees and volunteers from and against any names and photos for publicity, advertising and commercial purposes before, during, and after the event without compensation to the exhibitor.
- Liability Release: In consideration of the acceptance of the right to indemnify in the 2026 Sacramento Autorama, the undersigned participant agrees to indemnify John Buck Enterprises, Inc., d.b.a. Rod Shows, Rod Shows Staff, event sponsors, Cal Expo, committees, agents, employees and volunteers from and against any and all known and unknown damages, injuries, and/or losses that the exhibitor and guests (including family and relatives) may sustain or incur as a result of their attendance/participation in this event.
- Upon signing this entry form you acknowledge that you have read all of the Sacramento Autorama rules & regulations & agree to abide by them.**

**Signed** \_\_\_\_\_

If you are under 18 years of age, a parent or guardian must sign as the exhibitor.

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **For more information visit [www.rodshows.com](http://www.rodshows.com)**

## VEHICLE CLASSIFICATION

Vehicle classes will be decided at the show move in by the Rod Shows judging staff. Classes will be divided by the type of entry and the degree of modifications according to the Rod Shows Classifications & Rules Book. It may be necessary to re-classify vehicles into the next nearest class if a minimum of three vehicles have not entered that specific class type. All Entries must start and move on their own power. Please review the Rod Shows Classifications & Rules Book available at [www.rodshows.com](http://www.rodshows.com). You may also request that a rule book be mailed to you from Rod Shows by calling us at 877-763-7469.

**CUSTOM d'ELEGANCE**  
(Custom Cars with a silhouette change)  
**CUSTOM/SPORTS CAR CATEGORY**  
**MOTORCYCLE CATEGORY**

**ROD CATEGORY**  
**TRUCK/PICKUP/VAN CATEGORY**  
**ANTIQUÉ/RESTORED CATEGORY**  
**SUEDE/RAT ROD CATEGORY**

**STREET MACHINE /COMP CATEGORY**  
**BOAT CATEGORY**  
**MISCELLANEOUS CATEGORY**  
(Includes Kids and Additional Classes)

## PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

**JUDGING** - Your vehicle will be judged by a team of judges using the Rod Shows guidelines based on detail, quality, condition, safety and originality.

**FIRE REGULATIONS** - Fire regulations require locked or taped-over gas caps, with no more than 1/4 tank of gas showing on the gas gauge or in tank. Local officials may dip them for verification. Battery cables must have a master cut-off or be disconnected and taped. All displays must be free standing and composed of fireproof materials (no straw, grass, bark, flares or any other type of flammables allowed in display).

**SHOW CARDS** - Show Cards will be furnished for vehicle identification and proof of your identity for receiving any awards. Bring them to the stage.

Show Cards must be on display with vehicle at all times for the duration of the event. They are used to help classify and judge your vehicle.

**DISPLAY** - To enhance the appearance of your exhibit, we ask all entrants to furnish their own carpet, flooring, and creative stanchions & rope. If you cannot furnish your own stanchions & rope, we will furnish them during the show. **This years show theme is "75th Anniversary"**. While you are not required to use the Autorama show theme for your display, it is encouraged. There will be 8 Rod Shows display awards given at the show. Please refer to the Rod Shows Classifications & Rules Book for more info.

**CLASS AWARDS** - Awards will be presented to 1st, 2nd, and Class in each class. Please visit [www.rodshows.com](http://www.rodshows.com) for a list of all classes.

Below is a partial listing of the 2026 Sacramento Autorama Special Awards. Awards and their presenters are subject to change

**THE CUSTOM d'ELEGANCE AWARD** - \$5,000 cash prize, a trophy & name on the Custom d'Elegance award. Presented by ARP Fasteners

This award, created in 1953 originally known as the "Custom Car d'Elegance," was first won by Sacramento's own Joe Bailon. This restored award will be open to all customs 1935-1964 that feature a silhouette change (Chopped, Channeled or Sectioned). 1935 -1948 vehicle's outward appearance must be in the true spirit of a classic custom. The panel of judges will give consideration to the intent of vehicle. *The Custom d'Elegance* is a very special class with Outstanding Awards for Engineering, Paint, Engine, Interior, Undercarriage, Detail and Display. All entrants will receive a class participation award and are not eligible for other Custom Category Class Awards. However, contenders are eligible for other show picks. All entries must bring their own 20x20 display. Photos of the display required. Call 1-877-763-7469 for application.

**WORLD'S MOST BEAUTIFUL LOWRIDER** - \$5,000 cash prize, a trophy & name on perpetual award. Presented by Rod Shows Vehicle must have undercarriage shown with spoke wheels, adjustable suspension, and have custom paint/pinstriping and/or murals. The panel of judges will give consideration to the intent of vehicle. The World's Most Beautiful Lowrider is a special class with Outstanding Awards for Engineering, Paint, Engine, Interior, Undercarriage, Detail and Display. All entrants will receive a class participation award and are not eligible for other Custom Category Class Awards. However, contenders are eligible for other show picks. All entries must bring their own 20x20 display. Photos of the display are required. All entrants will receive a Class Participation Award, a gift package, and an exclusive World's Most Beautiful Lowrider contenders flag. The winner will receive a special Dickies jacket made exclusively for them after the event. Call 1-877-763-7469 for application.

**H.A. BAGDASARIAN MEMORIAL AWARD "WORLD'S MOST BEAUTIFUL CUSTOM"** (pick) - Winner awarded a trophy & name on the 8' tall Perpetual Trophy. To be eligible for this award, your vehicle must be a custom car from 1936 to present that features a silhouette change (Vehicle must be Chopped, Channeled or Sectioned). This award is selected by members of the H.A. Bagdasarian family.

**SAM BARRIS MEMORIAL AWARD** (pick) - Winner awarded the Sam Barris Memorial Cup. The Sam Barris award will go to the vehicle with the best paint, metal work and alignment of body panels. Must be an all-metal body. This award is selected by members and/or representatives of the Sam Barris family. This is the second of the four "Big B" awards.

**JOE "CANDY APPLE" BAILON MEMORIAL AWARD** (pick) - Winner awarded a handmade Joe "Candy Apple Red" Bailon Trophy.

Joe was recognized as one of the Nation's premier custom car designers and builders. The winner is selected by Rod Shows staff and judges. The candy apple trophy is designed and hand created by Joe Bailon himself. This is the third of the four "Big B" awards.

**DICK BERTOLUCCI MEMORIAL AUTOMOTIVE EXCELLENCE AWARD** (pick) - Winner awarded the Dick Bertolucci Memorial Automotive Excellence Trophy. All rods, customs, sports cars, classics, trucks and street machines that were manufactured prior to 1973 that exhibit excellent craftsmanship in assembly, fit, finish and detail. The winner will be selected by Bertolucci family. This is the fourth of the four "Big B" awards.

**WEST COAST KUSTOMS OUTSTANDING NOSTALGIA AWARD** - Crystal awarded to a traditional vehicle selected by the Pichette Family.

**BUTCH GARDNER MEMORIAL AWARD** - Trophy awarded to a vehicle picked by Gardner family for best fit & finish on a home built car.

**MANUEL ARTECHE MEMORIAL AWARD** - Trophy awarded to a vehicle that shows excellence in interior design and workmanship.

**LEES VINTAGE RESTORATION AWARD** - Trophy awarded to a pre 1972 all metal vehicle based on craftsmanship, quality, fit and finish.

**JOHN D'AGOSTINO AWARD OF EXCELLENCE** - Crystal awarded to a traditional vehicle selected by John D'Agostino.

**THE LIVE ON, DRIVE ON! AWARD** - Trophy awarded to a vehicle that uses borrowed parts from a donor car to make the project better.

All show awards are subject to change. Last minute updates may be announced at the Awards Presentation.



**SET-UP HOURS**  
Appointment times will be provided in acceptance packets

**SHOW HOURS**  
Friday, May 1 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
Saturday, May 2 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday, May 3 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday, May 3 4:00 p.m. Awards Presentation

**MOVE OUT**  
Sunday, May 4 At end of Awards Presentation



*Thank you for your interest in*  
**"The Longest Running Indoor Car Shows in the World"**