



## **Million Dollar Duesenbergs Headline Sale Of American Classics At Annual Meadow Brook Auction**

*Rare 1930 Model SJ Torpedo Phaeton and 1930 Model J Convertible Coupe Join Other Classic Luxury Marques at RM's Vintage Motor Cars at Meadow Brook Auction - August 6, 2005*

ROCHESTER, Ontario, ([PRWEB](#)) July 1, 2005 -- Expected to be one of RM Auctions' most electrifying auctions of the year, the annual Vintage Motor Cars at Meadow Brook Classic Car Auction opens with two of the most dramatic and dynamic luxury cars ever built.

This year's event, scheduled for Saturday, August 6, 2005 on the picturesque campus of Oakland University in Rochester, Michigan, in conjunction with the world-renowned Meadow Brook Concours d'Elegance, features two exceptional 1930 Duesenbergs - each with a fully documented and unique provenance.

1930 Duesenberg Model SJ Torpedo Phaeton - RM Auctions is delighted to offer this impressive factory supercharged Duesenberg with coachwork by Walker La Grande, and a previous winner of the "Best of Show" award at the 1987 Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg Festival. Originally delivered to a buyer in Wisconsin, it was eventually acquired by noted collector and enthusiast Mr. Robert Bahre in 1984. Bahre executed a comprehensive restoration of the car prior to its award-winning appearance. While in its current owner's care, the SJ has been meticulously maintained and cared for. Accordingly, it is considered one of the most attractive and desirable SJ Duesenbergs in existence. (Estimate: \$1,500,000 - \$2,200,000)

1930 Duesenberg Model J Convertible Coupe - A second million dollar Duesenberg headlining the annual Meadow Brook sale is a Murphy-bodied Convertible Coupe that was originally sold by Duesenberg's New York City factory branch in August 1929 and delivered to William Durant Campbell. Its provenance can be traced through five additional owners, concluding with noted Duesenberg historian Ray Wolff, who conducted its intricate sympathetic restoration, contributing to the car's current lovely overall condition. (Estimate: \$850,000 - \$1,000,000)

"With such important cars, whether they're purchased for enjoyment or investment, it's imperative for potential buyers to be able to document the provenance of the vehicle," says Rob Myers of RM Auctions. "In the case of these two examples, each has an authenticated lineage and restoration information that only add to their intrinsic value."

Other important vehicles consigned for RM's Vintage Motor Cars at Meadow Brook sale include:

1932 Cadillac V8 Dual Cowl Phaeton - This example is likely one of the most original Cadillac Dual Cowl Phaetons in existence. Featuring a 353 cu. in. V8 engine and many innovative features for its time, it remains in absolutely timewarp stunning original condition. (Estimate: \$175,000 - \$225,000)

1937 Cord 812SC Convertible Coupe Sportsman - One of the rarest and most desirable of the revolutionary front-drive Cords. This is a correct and original Supercharged Sportsman that underwent a complete and comprehensive ground up restoration in the mid 1980's, resulting in a Auburn Cord Duesenberg Club Level 1 Certification. Finished in black and fitted with a black leather interior, the car when restored was also equipped with an exact copy of a Cord Sportsman rumble seat as fitted to car number 102. While this Cord was restored some 20 years now, it remains in show worthy condition. (Estimate: \$225,000 - \$275,000)



1934 Pierce-Arrow 840-A Silver Arrow - This art deco classic, designed by Phil Wright, wooed crowds at its debut at the 1933 Chicago World's Fair with its streamlined style and powerful 385 cubic inch straight eight. Body-off restoration with extensive photos taken throughout the process supplied with the car. It is finished in a soft dove gray with slightly darker gray trim and red wheels. Inside, upholstery is gray broadcloth with black piping. . (Estimate: \$140,000 - \$180,000)

1929 Stutz Model "M" Roadster - LeBaron custom coachwork with cut down doors, rumble seat, golf club door, and twin rear mounted spares with stainless steel wheel discs. Full body-off restoration with complete photo record of the entire process. The car is beautifully finished in black with silver trim and striking blackwall tires. The engine is a 322 cu. in. overhead cam Vertical Eight with a dual throat carburetor producing 125 horsepower. Performance was such that in 1928, a Stutz finished 2nd at LeMans behind a Bentley. And in '27, Stutz won every major stock car racing event but one - the only one they didn't enter! (Estimate: \$175,000 - \$225,000)

RM Auctions' Vintage Motor Cars at Meadow Brook Classic Car Auction will offer over 80 distinctive vintage automobiles for bids at the Shotwell Gustafson Pavilion at Meadow Brook Hall on the grounds of Oakland University in Rochester, Michigan, beginning at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 6, 2005. Vehicles are available for public pre-view beginning Friday morning, August 5th from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Admission is by catalog only, which admits both the catalog holder and a guest. An auction catalog is available in advance for \$60 U.S., including shipping and handling within North America, by calling 800-211-4371 or visiting the company web site at [www.rmauctions.com](http://www.rmauctions.com)

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