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NEWS RELEASE

Major engine parts companies sponsor classic hot rod exhibit

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Several major automotive parts manufacturers were on hand for the opening reception of a classic hot rod exhibit at The Gilmore Car Museum in Michigan. One of the vehicles featured in *American Legends: Hot Rods and Customs* is the three-window 1932 Ford that was pictured on the Beach Boys' 1963 album, *Little Deuce Coupe*.

The exhibit, which runs through next year, documents the classic era of hot rods from the late 1930s to the early 1960s. The rods and custom cars featured in the exhibit represent some of the best examples of these vehicles in existence and are on loan from various owners throughout the country. Throughout the exhibit the cars are complemented by supersized renditions of paintings by renowned automotive artist, Tom Fritz.

Major sponsors include AERA, Egge Machine Company, Engine Pro, Elgin Industries, Fel-Pro, Hastings Manufacturing, Mahle-Clevite, Melling Engine Parts, Milodon and Sealed Power.

The Gilmore Car Museum is located near Kalamazoo, Michigan and includes nearly 400 vehicles in eight historic barns, a re-created 1930s service station, a small town train station, and nearly three miles of paved roads. More information is available at www.gilmorecarmuseum.org.