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Detroit: The City of Hot Rods & Muscle Cars Premiere
Hosted by Paul and Mary Glantz of Emagine Theatre Novi
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NOVI – Visionalist Entertainment Productions headed by Director/Producer Keith Famie, will premiere the documentary film, *Detroit: The City of Hot Rods & Muscle Cars*, Monday, June 19th at 7:00pm at Emagine Theatre in Novi. The film is a historical tribute to Detroit's past, present, and future car culture. The film takes viewers back in time to understand how Detroit impacted the American hot rod and muscle car era and the city's role today with "gearhead" car aficionados.

The 90-minute documentary began production January 2022 and features several familiar car fans and experts like Tim Allen, Bob Lutz, Danny Koker, Bill Collins, and Chip Foose, among others. "The story is about people and how cars impacted their lives from the early days of battling on Woodward to how cruising means so much to our Michigan community," said Director/Producer, Keith Famie.

The film shows a human side of how the automobile became an intricate part of American lives, especially in Detroit. Highlighted in the film are stories about Woodward Avenue, Hot Wheels, Autorama, veterans, love, fathers, and the next generation of car builders and designers.

The premiere is a Father's Day weekend celebration in support of six Michigan charitable organizations: The Rainbow Connection, Kids Without Cancer, Heroes Circle, Camp Casey, Gilda's Club of Metro Detroit, and Michigan Parkinson's Foundation.

"This film is not only emblematic of the story of the motor city, but it also hits the heart strings with the love story of Ruth and Gary Bedard and their very personal journey with Parkinson's," says Kristin Rossi, Chief Executive Officer, Michigan Parkinson Foundation.

Event tickets are \$25.00 a person and can be purchased here:

<https://detroitmusclecarfilm.com>

The film will have its broadcast debut on **Detroit Public Television/PBS on June 23rd at 8:00pm** and then will be shared with affiliated PBS stations throughout Michigan.



Sunday, June 25th, 2023

A special showing will take place on June 25th in Suttons Bay, Michigan. The Leelanau Peninsula will be celebrating the film with two community showings and a car show.

Tickets will go on sale for Bay Community Theatre Members on Friday, May 26th at 9:00am.

Membership link: <https://thebaytheatre.com/support-the-bay/membership/>

Tickets for non-members go on sale Saturday, May 27th at 9:00am.

Executive Producers are John and Carole Kulhavi, Tom and Sue Rau, and Tony and Mary Schimizzi.

Film website and trailer: <https://detroitmusclecarfilm.com>