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## **America's Automotive Trust Springs into Signature Event Season with Third Annual 'Drive the Blues Away'**

Tacoma event will feature live music, tastings from distilleries, wineries and breweries

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TACOMA, Wash. (April 14, 2017) – America's Automotive Trust (AAT) is kicking off its 2017 Signature Events lineup at America's Car Museum (ACM) by holding the third annual "Drive the Blues Away" on April 21. Guests at the event will be able to sample eats from Café Pacific and refreshments from local breweries, distilleries and wineries while taking in live performances from Highway 9, Roemen and the Whereabouts, and Nite Wave.

AAT's Signature Events are designed to attract automotive enthusiasts, history buffs, music lovers and more to celebrate our nation's motoring heritage. They provide funding for AAT member organizations including America's Car Museum, the RPM Foundation, Club Auto and the Concours Club, which strive to secure a vibrant future for the collector car pastime through enthusiast events, trade education programs, and international driving tours.

"Any good performance needs an opening act and for America's Automotive Trust, that's our annual Drive the Blues Away event," said AAT President and CEO David Madeira. "It's a great way to drive away the winter weather blues and set the stage for the great lineup of Signature Events we have planned for the year."

ACM will also be rotating a new assortment of vintage American convertibles into its Summer Drive Series in the Route 66 gallery. The rotating exhibit pays tribute to the golden age of American motoring and will feature popular convertibles from the '50s and '60s, including the Ford Thunderbird, Chevy Bel Air and Pontiac Firebird.

"I can't think of a better way to spend a day – live music, great food, cold beverages and, of course, classic cars," added Madeira. "Along with the opening of the convertibles display, we hope that this event encourages hobbyists and collectors to take their vehicles out of winter storage and back onto the roads – where they belong."

Drive the Blues Away general admission tickets are available for \$40 and VIP tickets are \$65. To purchase tickets or to get more information, visit [americascarmuseum.org/drivethebluesaway](http://americascarmuseum.org/drivethebluesaway).

### **About America's Automotive Trust**

America's Automotive Trust (AAT), headquartered in Tacoma, Washington, is a not-for-profit corporation that seeks to secure America's automotive heritage and to transfer the skills and knowledge necessary for the future of collector vehicles and the enthusiast community for

generations to come. AAT is made up of four founding entities: LeMay – America’s Car Museum, the RPM Foundation, Club Auto and the Concours Club. For more information on AAT, visit [americasautomotivetrust.org](http://americasautomotivetrust.org).

**About LeMay – America’s Car Museum ([americascarmuseum.org](http://americascarmuseum.org))**

America’s Car Museum (ACM), an entity of [America’s Automotive Trust](http://AmericasAutomotiveTrust.org), is an international destination for families and auto enthusiasts to celebrate America’s love affair with the automobile and learn how it shaped our society. Based in Tacoma, Wash., the stunning 165,000-sq.-ft. facility has been recognized as one of *MSN*’s 10 Best Automotive Museums worldwide, *USA Today*’s 10 Best Museums in Seattle and *KING 5*’s Best Museum in Western Washington. ACM serves as an educational center for students of all ages, features 12 rotating exhibits and hosts four annual Signature Events. For more information, visit [americascarmuseum.org](http://americascarmuseum.org).

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