



The Fisher Body Craftsmen's Guild at the *April 6 to October 1, 2019*



The Gilmore Car Museum located in Hickory Corners Michigan will be hosting a display of Fisher Body Craftsmen's Guild model cars and memorabilia from Saturday, April 6 to October 1, 2019.

The Gilmore Car Museum is North America's largest auto museum with nearly 400 vehicles on display and over 189,000 square feet of exhibit space. The Museum's 90-acre Historic Campus features numerous vintage structures including a restored and fully-functioning 1941 Silk City Diner, a recreated 1930s Shell Station, six onsite Partner Museums, and so much more. The Gilmore Car Museum is a founding member of the National Association of Automobile Museums, as well as a member of the American Alliance of Museums, the American Association for State and Local History, the Michigan Museums Association and the MotorCities National Heritage Area—affiliate of the National Park Service. The Museum offers free educational programs to students pre-k through 12th grade that meet Michigan K-12 benchmarks in everything from Science, Technology, Engineering and Math to History and Art. Included is the Gilmore Garage Works after-school enrichment program where mentors provide instruction in automotive technology giving students skills in welding, painting, and fabrication. See their website at [www. GilmoreCarMuseum.org](http://www.GilmoreCarMuseum.org).

The goal is to tell the story of the FBCG and how it impacted the lives and careers of the participating young men. We are looking for model cars, trophies and any memorabilia available for loan to accomplish this goal. Additionally, we are asking each participant to provide a brief writeup of how the FBCG experience influenced their life, anecdotes from the construction of their model, their career and life. Period photographs (or scans thereof) can also be used to enhance the display.

While there is consideration of a permanent exhibit, at this point this is a temporary exhibit and all artifacts will be returned to the participants. The Gilmore is making up to 660 square feet of space available with the models placed in exhibit cases. Up to 100 models could be accommodated.

Promotion of the exhibit will announced by a press release and information will be included on the Gilmore's website, Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. The Gilmore also publishes a quarterly newsletter, has rack cards on site promoting upcoming events and meets regularly with media outlets to promote upcoming events.



A preopening reception will be planned along with Guild reunion activities. The Gilmore is located almost equidistant (2 1/2 to 3 hours) between Chicago and Detroit and about 15 miles, 30 minutes from Kalamazoo, a college town offering a good selection of hotels and restaurants.

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