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Renowned Automotive Artist, Tony Sikorski Brings the Holiday Spirit to Pebble Beach AFAS Exhibit

CARMEL, Calif. – July 11, 2017 – Celebrated automotive artist Tony Sikorski is bringing the spirit of the holiday season early this year to the Automotive Fine Arts Society (AFAS) exhibit during the Pebble Beach Concours d’Elegance on Aug. 20, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., in Carmel, California. Sikorski will debut a collection of festive, holiday wood sculptures featuring St. Nicholas piloting an assortment of vehicles, as well as an airplane. 2017 marks the 22nd year that Lincoln Motor Company will sponsor the AFAS at the Pebble Beach Concours d’Elegance.

“I adore the festive spirit of the holidays,” said Sikorski. “I thought it would be fun to get a jump start on the season this year by showcasing a series of holiday-themed sculptures during our Pebble Beach art exhibit. Each one features jolly old St. Nicholas behind the wheel of a fun vehicle, or in the cockpit of a vintage plane, eager to deliver his bag full of gifts and toys.”

Sikorski’s holiday sculpture series is beautifully handcrafted from wood and hand painted with precision and delicate detail. The six sculptures that will be displayed each feature Santa Claus behind the wheel of a classic vehicle with a sack full of presents. Among the featured vehicles is a Christmas-red Ferrari that is reminiscent of the quintessential post-war models like the ‘53 Ferrari Testarossa. Also included in the collection is Santa Claus in a biplane and truck. The sculptures range in length from 16-inches to 21-inches each.

“It’s never too early to celebrate the holiday spirit, or start thinking about a gift for your favorite auto aficionado, including yourself,” said Sikorski. “My sculpture series

is distinctive and one-of-a-kind. Nobody else in the world will give, or get, anything like it under the tree.”

Commissioned by corporations and private collectors worldwide, Sikorski’s talents have been highly sought after since his career began in 1963, when he won a scholarship to the Ivy Art Institute of Graphic Design in Pittsburgh. His work has earned recognition from outlets such as Car Collector, Robb Report, Mobilia, Automobile Magazine and AutoWeek.

Sikorski’s illustrious career includes multiple awards including first place at the Midwest Concours d’ Elegance, the Award of Excellence for three consecutive years from the Gilmore Classic Car Museum’s Concours, as well as the coveted John Burgess Award: Best Show at the Daimler Chrysler Meadow Brook Historic Races. For more information about Tony Sikorski’s art, visit his AFAS website page here.

About the Automotive Fine Arts Society

AFAS was established in 1983 by a group of artists who are acknowledged by critics to be among the best in their field. Members work in many diverse mediums including oil, watercolors, acrylics, wood, gouache, pen & ink, clay and metal. AFAS and its members participate in select shows across the country including the Pebble Beach Concours d’ Elegance, Dana Point Concours d’Elegance and the Amelia Island Concours d’ Elegance. Information about AFAS is available at www.autoartgallery.com.

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