



BMW Car Club  
Gauteng, South Africa



## BMW Car Club Celebrates the 42<sup>nd</sup> Concours d'Elegance

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<b>Date:</b>	Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> August 2023
<b>Venue:</b>	Mall of Africa (Waterfall City Park) - entry at PwC South Africa Enter PwC South Africa into Google Maps See directions attached
<b>Starting Time:</b>	09h00 to 16h00
<b>Programme:</b>	07h00 – 09h00 Competitor and display formation 09h00 – 14h30 Judging 15h00- 16h00 Prize-giving
<b>Cost:</b>	Concours entry: R400 per car Display entry: R200 per car Spectators: FREE <b>Please ensure that you e-mail your payment confirmation</b>
<b>No. of cars:</b>	Concours - 80 vehicles maximum
<b>Registration:</b>	<b>E-mail Johann Venter with the necessary details</b>
<b>Event Organiser:</b>	Johann Venter 083 286 5416 or <a href="mailto:Johann@vantagefineaautoart.com">Johann@vantagefineaautoart.com</a> ) Colin van Son 082 561 3000 or <a href="mailto:Colin@BMWCarClub.co.za">Colin@BMWCarClub.co.za</a> )

### General Information:

This year the BMW Car Club Gauteng celebrates the 42<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the Concours d'Elegance, our most prestigious event on the Club calendar. The year 2023 also marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of BMW in South Africa, with celebrations planned throughout South Africa. The Concours will form a key part of BMW South Africa's commemoration of its 50<sup>th</sup> year anniversary. We therefore believe that the Concours d'Elegance 2023, will be a truly momentous occasion. The emphasis will be on the modern



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classic BMWs, the icons of the last six decades that have made the BMW brand into the universal success it is today.

For 2023 the Concours d'Elegance will be held in the Park of Mall of Africa, in Midrand, on the 20<sup>th</sup> of August. As a BMW Car Club Gauteng member, it is a privilege and a great honour to invite you to participate in this year's Concours d'Elegance. With high demand and limited space, you will be limited to a maximum of two entries into the competition itself, should you wish to put additional cars on display that can be arranged.

### **How the judging works:**

Our aim is to keep the judging as fair and objective as possible, and therefore since 2013 we have included three external judges to the judging panel, which are not part of the Club committee and in certain instances not part of the Club at all. In so doing we increase the expertise and professionalism, and also make the process more transparent, credible and fair to all participants. This year will be no different, we will have three judges that are not part of the Club committee, and have engaged with well-known and respected figures in the broader BMW community to be part of our judging panel of six, with one chief judge.

The judging works as follows: To ensure independence and consistency, three pairs of judges are used for each of the interior (judges pair 1), exterior/bodywork (judges pair 2) and the engine/under carriage/wheels (judges pair 3). Each pair of judges consist of an independent BMW expert and a BMW Car Club Committee member to ensure consistent scoring for all the vehicles entered in the concours. The judges allocate points for general condition as well as cleanliness of the interior, boot, exterior / bodywork and engine. For the interior, points are also awarded for the handbook & service record, the seats carpets & trim, the dash, pedals and controls as well as the lights, hooter and indicators working. For the exterior, points are also awarded for the paintwork and brightwork (exterior trim), the glass, the



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fit of the doors, bonnet, boot and rubbers as well as the wheels and tyres. There are also bonus points available for having the club insignia displayed and additional points for age and mileage.

**Herewith the terms and condition to participate in the BMW Car Club Gauteng Concours d'Elegance 2023:**

1. Every participant will be required to be a fully paid up member of the BMW Car Club Gauteng – if your membership has lapsed or you are not a member, please log onto [www.bmwclubs.africa/ccgtn/membership-registration-ccgtn](http://www.bmwclubs.africa/ccgtn/membership-registration-ccgtn) and sign up or renew your existing membership.
2. Only BMWs 10 years and older will be allowed to enter into the competition, so 2013 is the cut-off point, the BMW E9X 3 Series should be a good yardstick.
3. All participants will be required to drive their vehicles to and from the venue, anyone found bringing or departing with their vehicle on a trailer in and around the Concours venue will immediately be disqualified.
4. All participants will be required to be at the venue by 07:00 on the morning of Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> August - judging will commence at 09:00. Participants will only be allowed to vacate the venue at the end of the prize giving, on Sunday afternoon – prize giving normally takes place between 14:00 and 15:00 but may be delayed due to unforeseen circumstances.
5. In the spirit in which this competition was started - to get Club members to clean their own prides and joy and compete with each other, you will only be allowed one assistant (who needs to be a Club member, or a family member who belongs to the Club) with final preparation on the Concours arena. This is to prevent detailers from dominating the Concours arena, which takes away from the spirit of the competition.



6. Spectators will not be allowed onto the Concours arena before and during the judging, but will be allowed onto the arena once the judging is complete, before the prize giving. This will allow those BMW enthusiasts that have travelled from far and wide to get a closer appreciation for the BMWs participating in the event. It will be your responsibility to ensure that you are at your vehicle during this time, to discourage overly enthusiastic spectators from leaning or sitting on your car. Judges will also be on-hand to discourage inappropriate behaviour.

### **Relevant Documents:**

Attached please find a comprehensive guide (doc 1) on how to prepare for the Concours, the first section outlines the various classes, of the competition. Please note that only previous winners of d'ETAT can enter into d'HONNEUR PRESERVED and previous winners of d'ELEGANCE can enter into d'HONNEUR RESTORED. First time entrants are encourage to enter the SHOW & SHINE class. The rest of the document deals with how to prepare your BMW for the competition, it was put together by Michael Broom and several of the Club committee members with input from various winners in different classes over the years. It is still very relevant and can make a significant difference in the way you prepare for the Concours. We have also included an interview with a four time Concours winner (doc 2) on how he prepared his Concours winning BMW. Also attached, please find the judging sheet (doc 3), it will give a clear indication as to how the points are awarded across the three different sections of the competition.

### **Action Required:**

**Please e-mail Johann Venter at [johann@vantagefineautoart.com](mailto:johann@vantagefineautoart.com) as soon as possible if you will be taking up the offer, kindly furnish him with the number of cars you wish to enter, you will be limited to a maximum of two entries into the competition. You could also opt to put your car on**



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**display. Please also provide the model, year and mileage of each entry as well as relevant photos and details of each vehicle, this includes even those that just want to put their cars on display.**

This will give us an indication of how many spaces are vacant, to allow us to give other Club members the opportunity to participate.

### **About the Venue:**

Mall of Africa is also the ideal venue for keeping the entire family occupied with a diverse range of restaurants and plenty of entertainment for the whole family.

BMW Midrand is one of our main sponsors, so there will be new Bavarian metal on show which will include the latest M and i models. BMW Midrand will also have plenty of BMW regalia on sale.

All participants (Concours and Display) must be at Mall of Africa (Waterfall City Park) no later than 07:00 to complete final registration and park their vehicles, no entrant will be allowed in after 09:00. For safety reasons all participants will only be allowed to leave the Park at 16:00.

### **Registration:**

Please ensure that you register early as this event is always fully booked, only 80 BMWs can be accommodated at the Mall of Africa (Waterfall City Park). Should you wish to enter please e-mail Johann Venter at [johann@vantagefineautoart.com](mailto:johann@vantagefineautoart.com). Please also provide the model, year and mileage of each entry as well as relevant photos and details of each vehicle, this includes even those that just want to put their BMWs on display.

**Account Name: BMW Car Club Gauteng**



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**Bank: Nedbank**

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**Account No.: 1134981910**

**E-mail proof of payment to: [johann@vantagefineautoart.com](mailto:johann@vantagefineautoart.com)**

**Reference: Concours, Name, Surname Or Display, Name, Surname**

Should you need any further clarification in making your decision, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Concours d'Elegance organiser Johann Venter from Vantage Fine Automotive Art.

We look forward to putting on a memorable BMW Car Club Gauteng, 42nd Concours d'Elegance with you.