Rev it up with hundreds of authentic vehicles from the 1890s through 1932 at America’s longest-running antique car show. For one weekend a year, we celebrate the triumphs of the earliest years of automotive industry. It is a glorious spectacle, as the streets and grounds of Greenfield Village fill with the sights, sounds and smells of hundreds of authentic vehicles made from the 1890s through 1932.

The goal of the event is to serve two purposes: to be a top-quality car show in a beautiful setting, providing the best possible experience for show participants and their families, and to educate Greenfield Village guests about the history and significance of the automobile in ways that are fun and engaging for all age levels. Participants should plan to display their vehicles for the public to enjoy on both days of the show.

It is not a hot rod, custom car, or modified muscle car show. However, company-produced prototypes, period correct racing vehicles, and specific customized cars may be eligible. Restored, partially restored and un-restored vehicles are all eligible to apply.

We will use the following criteria to review vehicles for acceptance into the show:

1. The vehicle must have been produced during 1932 or earlier and appear as it did when it was in daily use.

2. Vehicle types accepted: Car, Commercial and Race Car/Speedster, as well as Bicycles, Motorcycles and Scooters

3. Period accessories, either dealer-installed or after-market, are acceptable if they were available during the model year of the vehicle. Examples of such accessories include windshield visors, Motometers, “Rocky Mountain” brakes, Ruxtell 2-speed rear axles, running board-mounted luggage carriers, and radiator stone guard.

4. Items that improve vehicle safety, or that are required to meet current vehicle standards, such as electric taillights, are acceptable, even if they were not available when the car was new.

5. Mechanical modifications that were not available when the car was new, such as lowering or adding disc brakes, are not acceptable.

6. Engines must have been available for the vehicle from the factory during the model year of the vehicle. Chassis and engine numbers do NOT need to match.

7. Ideally, engines and the under-hood area should look stock. (We have no way to monitor internal modifications). Any modifications to the external appearance of engines should conform to rule #1 above.

8. Upholstery colors and materials must be true to original specifications.

9. Cosmetic modifications such as removing chrome and other trim are not acceptable.

10. Paint must be stock colors available from the factory when the vehicle was new. Exceptions are commercial and racing vehicles, which often featured custom paint schemes.
11. Due to space limitations, approval will be limited. To fully illustrate the variety and scope of vehicles available, limits will be placed on the number of similar make, model, style, or year of a vehicle.

In fairness to all potential participants these requirements and criteria apply to all applications. Applications not meeting the criteria above will be denied.