



## Filipino-owned Vintage Car Featured in Concours d'Elegance



*Car enthusiast Mr. Edgardo Lim showcases his car to the spectators and judges.*

Monterey, California - For the first time, a Filipino-owned vintage car was featured in the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance (French phrase for “competition of elegance”), a prestigious classic car show exhibiting millions of Dollars worth of vintage cars from all over the world.



This year's Concours showcased classic prominent marques from different country of origins, including those from Italy and Japan. Out of 1,200 entries for the classic car competition, 200 best-preserved classic cars were chosen. One of them was the **1966 Toyota Corona owned by a Filipino car enthusiast, Mr. Edgardo Lim.**

The 1966 Toyoto Corona was selected by the Japanese Automotive Invitational (JAI) intending to demonstrate the

evolution of Japanese automotive industry and how Japanese cars gained their popularity and credibility in the world.

Automobiles and motorcycles participating in the Concours are judged for their originality and elegance. According to Mr. Lim, "I have been restoring vehicles since 1986 as a hobby. I never imagined that this car [1966 Toyota Corona] would gain several awards and be showcased in Pebble Beach. As the First Filipino to join the Pebble Beach event of JAI, it is truly a dream come true!"

Concours is the "Oscars" version of car exhibition. It started in France in 17th century "where aristocrats paraded horse-drawn carriages in the parks of Paris during summer weekends and holidays. Over time, carriages became horseless and the gatherings became a competition among vehicle owners to be judged on the appearance of their vehicles."

Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance ran from 13 to 18 August 2019 in Peter Hay Hill Pebble Beach, California. END.