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***WILD WHEELS* – Film Screening and Lecture by Harrod Blank**



**BATON ROUGE, La.** — The LSU Museum of Art (LSU MOA) presents a film screening and lecture by celebrated, California documentary filmmaker and art car maker, Harrod Blank. Harrod Blank appears in conjunction with the First Annual Baton Rouge Art Car Parade that rolls through the downtown streets on April 1, 2006. Blank will showcase the newest version of his film, *WILD WHEELS*, on Saturday, April 1, 2006, at 12 noon in the Manship Theatre, Shaw Center for the Arts. The parade will follow at 3:00 p.m.

Harrod Blank is the impresario of the art car film documentary. The *San Francisco Chronicle* film reviewer gushed: “*WILD WHEELS* is a zany ode to offbeat homegrown American art [and] one of the most joyous movie experiences I’ve had in some time.” *The New York Times* critic said that “*WILD WHEELS* is a witty cinematic survey of American car art! Depending on one’s taste, one can come away with a yen to possess any of the more than 40 vehicles that are proudly paraded throughout the movie!”

Harrod Blank will talk about his adventures in the American art car community. He will also sign his books, videos, and DVDs that are available for purchase in the LSU MOA Museum Store.

*WILD WHEELS* will screen in the Manship Theatre at 12 noon. Harrod Blank’s film screening and lecture are free to the public due to the generous sponsorship of the All Star Automotive Group. Seating is limited. The Baton Rouge Art Car parade will follow at 3:00 p.m. beginning at the State Capitol and ending in front of the Shaw Center for the Arts.

The new LSU Museum of Art (LSU MOA) in the Shaw Center for the Arts is Baton Rouge's premier art museum. Located in downtown Baton Rouge overlooking the Mississippi River, it presents rotating, historical and contemporary exhibitions. Selections from the permanent collection are always on display. The 3500-work collection includes seventeenth–twentieth-century American and British portraiture, landscape painting, prints and decorative arts, pre-Civil War New Orleans silver, historical art from China, India, Japan and South America, and contemporary Inuit sculpture.

Museum Admission: Adults: \$8; Seniors (65+), students and LSU faculty/staff (with I.D.): \$6; Children 5 to 17: \$4. Children under 5 are admitted free.

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