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Rare 1959 Weidner Condor on Display at Lane Motor Museum

Nashville TN, April 11, 2006. Lane Motor Museum has acquired a 1959 Weidner Condor, one of only two known to exist. Before designing the Amphicar, Hans Trippel designed the Weidner Condor. The vehicle was then built by farm equipment manufacturers, Fritz and Reinhold Weidner.

The body of the car is made of the most expensive material available in the 1950s – fiberglass integrated into a steel chassis. The Condor has a three cylinder, two-stroke, water cooled Heinkel engine. The Weidner Condor was presented to the public at the Geneva Auto Show and while the public admired the streamline design and technical conception, the selling price was too high compared to its competitors, the NSU Prinz or the Volkswagon Karmann Ghia.

Both the 1959 Weidner Condor and a 1964 Amphicar are presently on display at the Lane Motor Museum in Nashville.

About Lane Motor Museum

Lane Motor Museum showcases approximately 150 unique cars and motorcycles from around the world. Cars on display represent countries from Asia, Europe, North and South America, and date from 1922 to 2003. Highlights of the museum include the largest Czechoslovakian vehicle collection outside Europe, microcars, amphibious vehicles, alternative fuel vehicles, competition cars, and prototypes. The museum also offers a display of automotive art, a special play area for children, and a gift shop.

Lane Motor Museum welcomes guests Thursday through Monday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed Tuesday & Wednesday; Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day & New Year's Day. Regular admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for seniors (55+), and free for children 17 and under. Group rates are available. Lane Motor Museum is located at 702 Murfreesboro Pike just minutes from Downtown Nashville. For more information on visiting the museum, call (615) 742-7445 or visit the website at www.lanemotormuseum.org.

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