

**HEARTLAND MODEL CAR
NATIONALS SWAP MEET
SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2026**

VENDORS ONLY allowed in from
7:00am - 9:00am Sunday May 31.

**No selling or trading by vendors,
club members or entrants before
9:00am Sunday morning, May 31.**

VENDORS WANTED

Vendors and merchants of model car kits,
collectable automobilia, promos, diecast
cars, and related aftermarket and cottage
industry products: come and join us in our
Model Car Expo! **Eight-foot vendor tables**
are only \$30.00 each if reserved and
payment made by May 1st, 2026. (\$35.00
per table is charged after May 1st, 2026.)

Company _____

Contact Person _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

email _____

No. of tables _____ x \$30.00 = _____

VENDORS ONLY Use the NW door inside
the covered parking area. Make your checks
payable to the **Kansas City Slammers**
and mail your paid table reservations no later
than May 15th, 2026, to:

**KANSAS CITY SLAMMERS
C/O ROBERT PERILLO
1008 173rd St.
BELTON, MO 64012**



**Information is subject to change before
May 2026. Check our website for updates.**

**2026 HEARTLAND
NATIONALS #34**

PRESENTED BY THE:

KC SLAMMERS
MODEL CAR CLUB



ENTHUSIASTS OF AUTOMOBILES IN SCALE

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

SATURDAY, May 30th, 2026

CONTEST REGISTRATION INFO:

ADMISSION FOR MODEL CONTESTANTS

Juniors (16 & Under) Free.

Adult contestants (17 and older)—Admission is
\$15.00 which includes contest registration to
enter five models and Sunday admission.
If entering more than five models the price is
\$2.00 each per additional model. For example,
15 models entered would cost a total of \$35.00.

Enter models from 2:00 pm until 7:00 pm.

Complete registration of models and
place in appropriate class.

From 7:00 pm Sat. until 9:00 am Sun.

Closed to Vendors, Entrants and Public for
models to be judged and photographed.

SUNDAY, MAY 31st, 2026

NON-CONTESTANTS GENERAL ADMISSION

\$10.00 per person. Age 12 & Under – Free

SWAP MEET & MODEL DISPLAY

General Admission includes Swap Meet.
Show and Swap Meet begins at 9:00 am.

No Early Bird!

Awards Presentation begins at 3:00 pm.

**Thanks to all Loyal Heartland Entrants,
Vendors, Elvis & Fellow Slammers!**

**HEARTLAND
MODEL CAR
NATIONALS
CONTEST & SWAP MEET
MAY 30 & 31**

AT THE

**OVERLAND PARK
CONVENTION CENTER**

6000 COLLEGE BLVD.

OVERLAND PARK, KS

DOOR PRIZES - SHOW PROMOS - OLDIES DJ

AWARDS FOR EVERY CLASS

PLUS MASTER AWARDS

SPECIAL THEME AWARD FOR:

TRUCKS



Contest Info:

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2026 HEARTLAND #34 - CONTEST CLASSES

Diecast, Resin, White Metal & Plastic models are allowed in ALL classes, without exception.

JUNIOR OPEN CLASS (Russ Johnson Award)

For ages sixteen and younger. Open to any style of motor vehicle of any scale. All work on the model must be done by the entrant.

ADULT / CHILD (Russ Johnson Award)

A joint project between an adult and a child age twelve or under. The child must be responsible for at least half of the finishing and construction work. Open to any style of motor vehicle of any scale.

ADULT CLASSES:

For ages seventeen through infinity. Entrants from younger age groups may compete in the adult classes, if they desire. **All work must be done by the entrant. All classes are for 1/24-25th scale models, unless otherwise noted.**

1. Out of Box...Built from kit parts only. No parts swapping or aftermarket allowed. Paint, foil, decals & flocking are allowed. Filler may be used to correct "sink marks" or other manufacturing flaws. **Kit instructions must be displayed with entry.**

2. Modified Out of Box...Built to follow Out of Box rules; however, parts from any other kit may be used if unmodified and documented. No aftermarket parts allowed. **The base kit's instruction sheet and a list of swapped parts must be displayed with entry.**

3. Showroom Stock...factory vehicles as they were when new. Paint, upholstery, body trim, & all other details must replicate stock items. Factory available options are OK. **Documentation, such as dealer brochures, magazine articles, etc. (copies are OK) MUST be displayed with entry.**

4. Street Rod (Lee Bush Award) Production vehicles 1948 and earlier that display a stock or nearly stock production body with modified or enhanced engine, chassis, and interior, **OR** newer non-production vehicles built in the street rod style, in the manner of Foose, Coddington, Brizio, et al. Billet & IFS allowed.

5. Nostalgia Rod...Vehicles 1948 and earlier which display a stock or nearly stock production body with modified or enhanced engine, chassis and interior in the manner of traditionally home-built hot rods. No billet, no IFS.

6. Street Machine...Vehicles from 1949 and later which display a stock or nearly stock production body with modified or enhanced engine, chassis, and interior features.

7. Mild Custom...Vehicles from any year or era with minor custom changes such as frenched headlights, trim removal, rolled pans, different taillights or

bumpers, bolt-on fender skirts, etc. NO MAJOR body or panel modifications except mild chopped tops resulting in a minimum window height of at least 3/8".

8. Radical Custom...Vehicles from any year exhibiting two or more major changes. Examples: chopped top, sectioning, channeling, reshaping or replacing major body panels, etc.

9. Lowrider...Vehicles with paint, interiors, chassis, etc. to replicate a lowrider. Dance/hop models are allowed but cannot be turned on.

10. Big Wheel..."Donks," "High Risers" or custom vehicles with 20" or taller wheels. Any level of detailing or modifications is allowed.

11. Tuner...Any American or Foreign vehicle with 4- or 6-cylinder motor built to replicate the latest "Tuner" style.

12. Straight-Line Drag...1980 and later straight-line competition vehicles equipped with open, lift-off or flip-top bodies or quarter panels. Includes dragsters, funny cars, pro stock, pro mod and exhibition cars.

13. Nostalgia Drag...Drag vehicles using pre-1980 body styles and design, although with possibly newer safety equipment. Includes front engine dragsters, gassers, altered wheelbase cars, funny cars, roadsters, etc.

14. Utility Vehicle...Any all-terrain vehicle, Sport utility vehicle, Pickup, 4-wheel drive, Jeep, Van or Sedan Delivery without commercial markings.

15. Light Commercial...Service vehicles such as delivery, police, fire & rescue, etc. with 1 ton or less capacity. **Shall** have appropriate markings.

16. Heavy Commercial...Service vehicles such as trucking, construction, fire & rescue, etc. with over 1-ton capacity. **Should** have appropriate markings.

17. Small Scale...1/100 to 1/32. No restrictions on type of motor vehicle.

18. Intermediate Scale...1/20 to 1/12. No restrictions on type of motor vehicle.

19. Large Scale...Larger than 1/12. No restrictions on type of motor vehicle.

20. Pro Street...Competition inspired but street legal vehicles modeled in the pro street style.

21. Curbside...Model which does not employ an opening hood, doors, or trunk, and is not meant to display engine or chassis detail. Judged as if parked without access to the underside. Any vehicle.

22. Slammer...Model which does not employ an opening hood, doors, or trunk, and the interior is fully enclosed by a top and blacked-out windows. Judged for visual impact only. Any vehicle.

23. Diorama (Dan & Monica Cozine Award)...A scene or display that depicts a specific moment in time or tells a story. Any operational elements needing electricity must be powered by batteries located within or near the entry. For dioramas over 2 ft. in dimension, make arrangements with the contest organizers.

24. Motorcycle... 2- or 3-wheeled vehicles **ANY SCALE.**

25. Open Wheel Racing...ANY open- wheeled racing car, including land speed cars—except drag racing. **ANY SCALE.**

26. Closed Fender Racing...ANY closed fender racing car, including land speed cars and NASCAR – except drag racing. **ANY SCALE.**

27. Miscellaneous...Any non-military vehicle that does not fit into any other class. **ANY SCALE.**

28. Military (automotive related)...any non-track, automotive-style vehicle used by any military force from any nation. **ANY SCALE.**

29. Slot Car...Any vehicle outfitted with functional slot car features allowing it to be "driven" on a slot car track. Can be built as Curbside or Slammer (see class descriptions). Out-of-box, commercially available or "Thingie" slot cars are **NOT** allowed.

MASTER AWARDS

Best Drag (Glue Brothers)	Best Engine	Best Detail
Best Paint	Best Interior (Don Goodman Award)	
People's Choice	Best Ford	Best MOPAR (K. Barns Award)
Best Chevy	Best Foreign	Long Distance
Award Theme – "TRUCKS"		Best of the Rest
	Titus-Kendrick Concept Design	

HEARTLAND NATIONALS CHAMPION (Clyde Young Award)

CONTEST RULES & TIPS

All contest models must be the product of the entrant's own craftsmanship. Judges cannot be expected to be familiar with every kit or vehicle produced. Provide any information you can about your model to ensure those things are not overlooked. The best thing you can do is print a listing of what you did to the model & how you did it. List kits, parts used techniques, modifications, and noteworthy details. This applies to all classes. 4x6 note cards are good, or use the space on the registration slip. Models may be picked up by the judges for closer inspection. If your model needs special handling, note it on the entry form and contact an event Judge.

There will be no class "sweeps," which means that no one person can take 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places in any one class. Also, no repeat 1st place winning models from previous Heartland Shows.

"TRUCKS" – All kinds from mini-pickups to Dump Trucks, Monster Trucks, Semis, Flat beds, Tanker Trucks, all kinds of Pickups, Kustom Trucks, Show Trucks, Vintage Trucks, Mining Trucks, Tow Trucks, Panel Trucks, Fire Trucks, Log Trucks, Garbage Trucks, Car Haulers, Haul Trucks...YOU NAME IT! If it's a truck, build it and bring it to our 34th Heartland Show.