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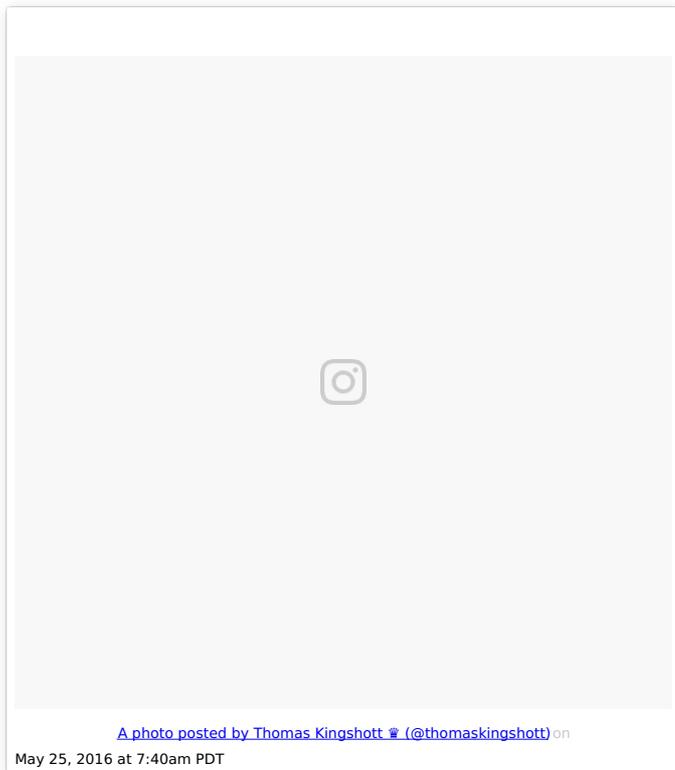
These are the photography kings of the Windsor Castle Concours

30 August 2016

Alex Easthope

Whittling down the near-200 entries we received for our 2016 Concours of Elegance photography competition on Instagram was no mean feat, but we think these 10 images, crowned by the wild Lamborghini Athon concept, beautifully define the grandeur and appeal of the world's finest concours events...

A classic concept



After much consideration, we decided - together with the Concours of Elegance's official photographer Tim Scott - that the winning image was this by Thomas Kingshott, of the spectacular Lamborghini Athon concept at Villa d'Este earlier this year. "I took this shot in the evening after most people had left," comments Thomas. "I saw the Athon pull up in front of the Villa and I loved the way the shapes of the steps and the colours matched and complemented the car." Not only will Thomas will spend the day as a VIP at Windsor Castle this weekend, he'll also receive a limited edition copy of the Pullman Gallery's Charles Avalon-designed Art Deco-style Concours of Elegance 2016 poster. Below are the 10 finalists' entries, all of whom will receive a pair of tickets to the Concours of Elegance.

With flying colours





[A photo posted by Alan Stewart Moffat \(@asm1photo\)](#) on

Sep 6, 2015 at 3:48am PDT

We don't think we've ever seen a bonnet ornament as graceful as this one, fitted to a vintage Hispano-Suiza.

French fancy



[A photo posted by Clément Bornat \(@clementbornat\)](#) on

Jan 26, 2015 at 5:14am PST

We'd defy anyone to not stop in their tracks upon seeing this wonderful pre-War Bugatti - the French really knew how to design an automobile in the 1920s and '30s.

La Dolce Vita



[A photo posted by Thomas Kingshott \(@thomaskingshott\)](#) on

May 30, 2015 at 4:50am PDT

Lake Como, beautiful weather, an achingly pretty 1960s drop-top Ferrari – what’s not to love?

Gandini’s finest



[A photo posted by Tommaso Carlo Pietro Bertotti \(@tobephoto\)](#) on

Feb 11, 2016 at 2:01pm PST

The Lamborghini Countach is arguably the most era-defining vehicle ever produced. Own up, who had a poster hung on their wall as a teenager?

Just our Type



[A photo posted by DR | Berlin \(@onofftrack\)](#) on

Aug 1, 2016 at 1:34pm PDT

We were beguiled by the patina on this Grand Prix Bugatti’s oval grille – if only cars could talk, we’re sure this one would have many a tale to tell.

The Queen of Pebble Beach



[A photo posted by Dima Barsky, Photographer \(@petrolportraits\)](#) on

Aug 18, 2016 at 5:09am PDT

Interest in pre-War cars might be tailing off in the salerooms, but at events such as Pebble Beach, we think majestic beasts such as this one will always reign on the concours lawns.

Tour de Force



[A photo posted by Paul Thompson \(@valvebounce\)](#) on

Jul 23, 2016 at 4:55am PDT

This moody shot from the Concours of Elegance at Holyroodhouse Palace in 2015 entices you to get lost in its splendour.

Black and yellow

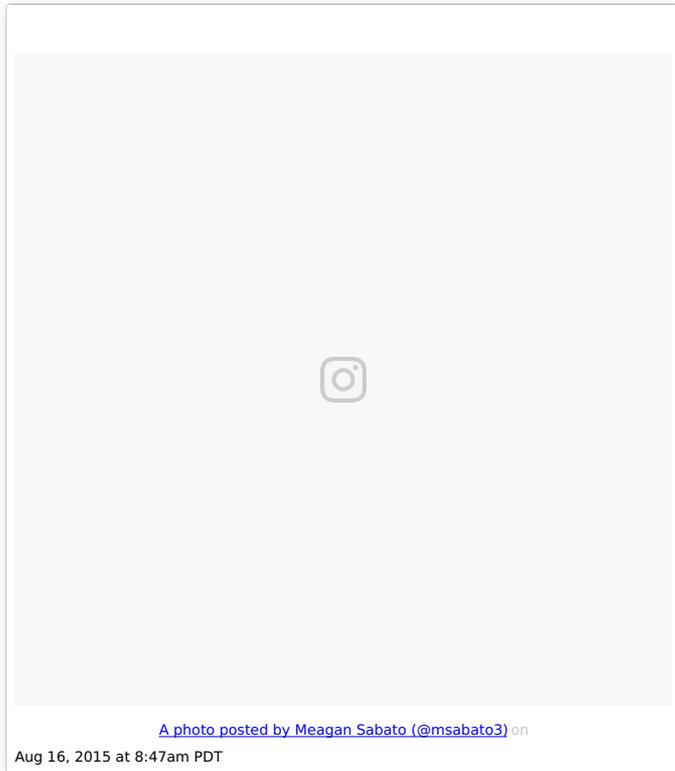


[A photo posted by Paul Howse \(@paulhowse\)](#) on

Aug 13, 2016 at 10:57am PDT

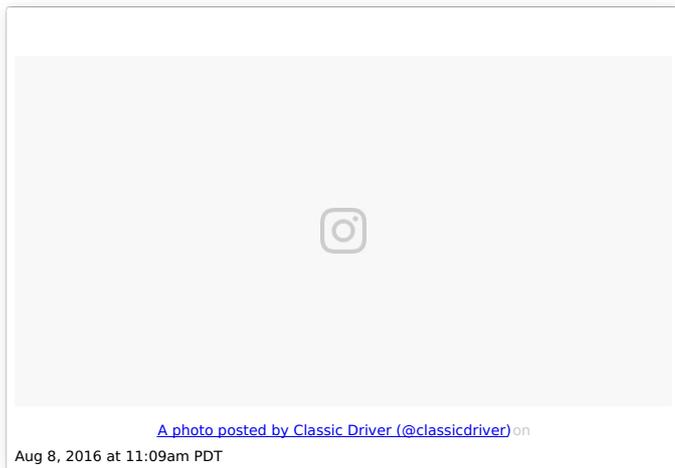
Audacious, extravagant and, if disrespected, capable of giving a nasty sting, the wasp really is the insect equivalent of the Lamborghini Countach.

Dawn patrol



As many previous Pebble Beach-goers will attest to, 'Dawn Patrol' as the cars roll onto the concours lawn is arguably the most memorable part of the event.

A gentle reminder



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