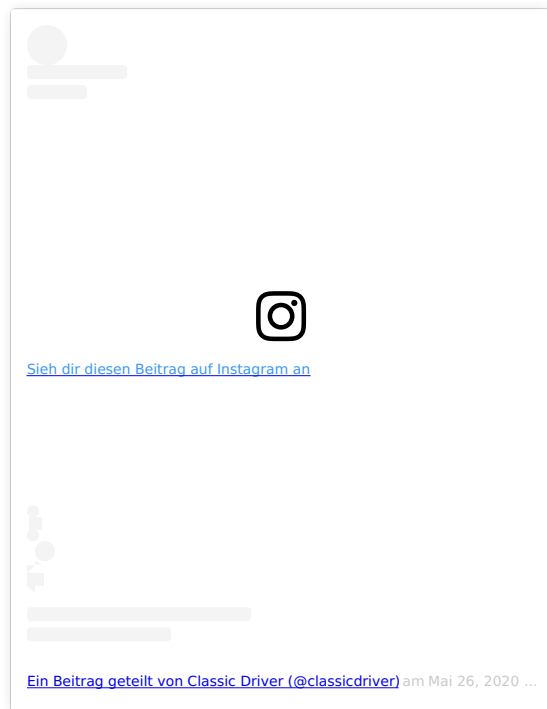


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We're delighted to announce that tonight's guest on Classic Driver Live is the founder of Singer Vehicle Design Rob Dickinson, the British-born, California-based rock star who took the concept of the restomod Porsche 911 and ran with it, garnering a cult following around the world along the way...



You're all familiar with the subtly flared arches and exquisitely thought out details of the Porsche 911s 'reimagined' by Rob Dickinson's Los Angeles company Singer Vehicle Design. The former frontman of British band *Catherine Wheel* actually studied automotive design at Coventry university, before the music presented the long-awaited chance to escape his native Norfolk and see the world. Singer was born in 2009 after Dickinson pursued his own personal vision for the ultimate air-cooled Porsche 911.

Shortly after relocating to California following *Catherine Wheel*'s split in 2000, he acquired a 1969 Porsche 911E from Hans Lapine, son of the great Porsche design chief Anatole Lapine. The resulting Bahama Yellow restomod garnered such positive reactions that Dickinson was encouraged to start restoring 911s for other people. Today, the Singer name is synonymous with a genre that's undergone a meteoric rise in popularity - the hot-rodded air-cooled Porsche 911 is now an expressive symbol of non-conformist identity and there are hundreds of companies around the world trying to emulate the dizzyingly high-quality work Singer produces. We can't express our excitement enough that Dickinson will be joining our host J. Philip Rathgen for tonight's instalment of Classic Driver Live. You really don't want to miss this one - tune in on our Instagram channel tonight from 1900 CET/1800 BST. If you can't catch it, however, you'll be able to watch the episode either on our IGTV account or right here in this very article from tomorrow.

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