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***Fast Tracks from The Washington Auto Show®:***

## **Entertainment, Celebrities Share Spotlight with 700 New Models**

Washington, D.C. (December 10, 2004) – The 700 cars, trucks, minivans and SUVs on display at **The 2005 Washington Auto Show** (Dec. 26, 2004 – Jan. 2, 2005, Washington Convention Center) are enough to keep even the most passionate car lover entranced for more than a few hours, providing the other members in the group the perfect opportunity to enjoy the celebrity guests, entertainment, contests and family activities also on tap at the annual auto extravaganza.

The Washington Area New Automobile Dealers Association (WANADA), hosts of this 63<sup>rd</sup> auto show, has planned eight days of entertainment for all ages, including new car give-away's, children's attractions and interactive exhibits. Visitors won't want to miss:

- The Washington Auto Show Hands On Contest, sponsored by Toyota, begins Dec. 27 and will award four 2005 Toyotas, with the finale at 6:00 p.m., on Sun., Jan. 2.
- The Washington Auto Show/D.C. Lottery Second Chance Drawing, awarding a grand prize of a 2005 Ford Escape Hybrid, the world's first full hybrid SUV, at 4:30 p.m. on Sun., Jan. 2.
- John Force, 12-time National Hot Rod Association Champion and drag racing's most prolific winner, appearing on Dec. 28.
- Jeanette Lee, Women's Billiards Champion, the most recognizable pool player in the world, appearing Jan. 1.
- Four of the hottest WWE Divas, including Trish Stratus, Stacey Keebler, Victoria and Lita
- Brendan Hayward, Washington Wizards, rebounding and shot blocking star, appearing Jan. 1.

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- Alexa Havins, who plays Babe Chandler on *All My Children*. Dec. 26
- Justin Bruening, *All My Children's* Jamie Martin, Dec. 26
- Rock-It, the 9 foot Techno Robot\*
- The Washington Redskins Cheerleaders, Jan. 1
- Benny Parsons, former NASCAR Nextel Cup Champion and NBC NASCAR commentator
- Maximum Velocity, Extreme Sports Stunt Team performing four times daily throughout the show.
- Twenty-five professional sports mascots and cartoon character walk-about.\*
- Daily musical entertainment from the XM Satellite Radio Stage.\*

\*appearing throughout the run of the show

**The 2005 Washington Auto Show: "Driven by Design"** will bring more than 700 new cars, trucks, mini-vans and sport utility vehicles from over 37 domestic and import automakers to the Washington Convention Center from Dec. 26, 2004 through Jan. 2, 2005. For auto show operating hours, ticket information and discounted "e-tickets," visit the Washington Auto Show online at [www.washingtonautoshow.com](http://www.washingtonautoshow.com) or contact WANADA at 1-866-WASH-AUTO or 202.237.7200.

Now entering its 88<sup>th</sup> year of existence, WANADA represents dealerships throughout the Washington, D.C., Maryland and Virginia area.

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