



SILICON VALLEY INTERNATIONAL
AUTO SHOW
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**THE 2008 SILICON VALLEY INTERNATIONAL AUTO SHOW TO
HAUL IN CNN "WARRIOR ONE" HUMMER**

Million-Dollar Hummer Journeys from Iraq to TLC's Chip Foose for Overhaulin'

SAN JOSE, Calif. – (December 12, 2007) The exciting CNN "Warrior One" Hummer will turn heads at the 2008 Silicon Valley International Auto Show taking place Thursday, January 10 through Sunday, January 13, at the San Jose McEnery Convention Center. This million-dollar Hummer H1 was initially used in Iraq by CNN network producers, video journalists and correspondents reporting on the war while embedded with the First Battalion, 7th Marines, before undergoing a design overhaul by hot rod Designer Chip Foose and his customization team from The Learning Channel (TLC) program *Overhaulin'*.

Damaged in a firefight outside of Baghdad, Foose and his team restored and modified "Warrior One," creating an unforgettable, artistic tribute featuring intricate airbrush artwork depicting journalists and military men and women on missions in Iraq. Additionally, the massive vehicle has been decked out with an extensive entertainment system including 7,500 watts of Kicker® audio power, 250-pounds of subwoofers, several LCD monitors and a DVD player.

After its revamp, "Warrior One" was purchased for one million dollars at the Barrett Jackson auction by RE/MAX International Co-Founders Dave and Gail Liniger, in support of Fisher House Foundation, an organization that provides housing to families of hospitalized service members across the country. Competing bidder, Dave Ressler, owner of Midwest car dealerships, added an additional \$250,000, bringing the Fisher House donation to an astounding \$1.25 million. RE/MAX International purchased this vehicle to raise awareness for the Sentinels of Freedom Foundation, a scholarship program aimed at helping wounded veterans re-adjust to civilian life. The

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outrageous design and story behind the "CNN Warrior One" RE/MAX Tour for the Troops exhibit will certainly make it a hit at the auto show.

The Silicon Valley International Auto Show is owned and presented by the Silicon Valley Auto Dealers Association, sponsored by the *San Jose Mercury News* and produced by Motor Trend Auto Shows, Inc. The auto show will be open to the public Thursday, January 10 through Sunday, January 13, at the San Jose McEnery Convention Center, located at 150 West San Carlos Street. Convention Center parking is available for a fee, or there are more than 21,000 free parking spaces in downtown San Jose. Parking information is subject to change. For the most up-to-date information on downtown parking, visit www.sjdowntownparking.com.

Show hours are Thursday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Admission is \$9 for adults, \$7 for students and military with ID, \$6 for seniors (62 & older) and \$5 for children (7-12). Children six and younger are admitted free with a paying adult. To avoid waiting in line at the box office, attendees are encouraged to buy their tickets online. Simply log onto www.SVAutoShow.com, purchase a ticket, bring it to the show and proceed directly to the entrance. Additional information, directions and discount admission coupons are available on the official auto show web site, www.SVAutoShow.com.

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