

BIOGRAPHY

DAVID GOODING, PRESIDENT AND FOUNDER



David Gooding, 45, is the president and founder of California-based Gooding & Company, the acclaimed auction house renowned for selling the world's most significant and valuable collector cars. In addition to its three annual world-class automotive auctions, Gooding & Company offers a wide range of services, including private and estate sales, appraisals and collections management.

The official auction house of the prestigious Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance, Gooding & Company has a history of record-setting auctions to its credit. Last year, the auction house realized 37 world records, including those for the 1957 Ferrari 250 Testa Rossa Prototype that sold for \$16.39 million, the world's most valuable car ever sold at auction and the Whittell Coupe Duesenberg Model J that sold for \$10.34 million, the most valuable American car ever sold at auction. Already in 2012, the company has set 24 world records, including those for the 1973 Porsche 917/30 Can-Am Spyder that sold for \$4.4 million, a world auction record for Porsche, and the 1955 Mercedes-Benz 300 SL Alloy Gullwing that sold for \$4.62 million, a world auction record for an Alloy Gullwing and 300 SL. The company sold 297 collector cars last year, averaging \$441,218 per-car sold, at its auctions in Scottsdale, Arizona; Amelia Island, Florida and Pebble Beach, California.

Over the years, Gooding & Company has auctioned more than \$25 million in collector cars consigned to benefit charity, which has impacted various causes and foundations around the world. An exceptional philanthropic achievement in 2011, Gooding & Company and Sheryl Crow realized the record-breaking, charity-driven sale of the Grammy-award winning artist's 1959 Mercedes-Benz 190 SL, which sold for three times more than its estimate at the Pebble Beach Auctions.

David Gooding and his team have built Gooding & Company into a successful full-service collector car enterprise that also specializes in private and estate sales. In 2010, they brokered the historic private sale of the world's most valuable car, the 1936 Bugatti Type 57SC Atlantic, a sale that significantly impacted the international collecting community by validating automobiles as an art form.

Throughout his 20 years in the professional automotive auction business, David has established a reputation as one of the most knowledgeable appraisers of classic cars. He began his career with Christie's International Motor Car Department where he was responsible for the management of the auction at Pebble Beach. During his 11 influential years at Christie's, the auction at Pebble Beach became known as the premier car auction in the world. With these significant credentials, Gooding was promoted to managing director of the department, responsible for managing automotive auctions and staff in the United States, England and Continental Europe. He also served as president of RM Auctions, Inc. for three years.

Gooding & Company has been chosen to sell several of the automotive auction world's finest collections, including the Drendel Family Collection of road and racing Porsches that sold for more than \$17.7 million in 2012, the Dr. Peter and Susan Williamson Bugatti Collection that sold in 2008 for more than \$15.5 Million, the Richard J. Solove Rolls-Royce Collection that sold for \$14.3 Million in 2007 and the Otis Chandler Collection that sold for more than \$36 Million in 2006, the highest recorded single-day automotive collection sale in history. Additionally, Gooding & Company is responsible for selling the Greg Garrison Collection of historic Ferraris, the Van Kregten Collection and a number of significant cars from the collection of the highly-respected late John O'Quinn.

David Gooding has an impressive expertise in rare, unusual and high value automobiles. He also advises many of the top car collectors throughout the world on developing and maintaining their collections. He has accurately appraised thousands of cars for sale at auction, by private treaty and for insurance and charitable donation.