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## Dancing, Drives, and Dazzling Displays at Classic Car Show

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Last year's show Photo Ohlen Alexander

The 11th Annual Orinda Classic Car Show will kick off Friday, Sept. 11 with a spirited beach party at the Community Center plaza, followed by a dazzling display of classic automobiles in Orinda Village from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12. The show's highlight will be a visit of original Shelby Cobras at 1 p.m., as they begin their annual 1,000-mile invitational trip around the country. "It's pretty rare to ever see an original Shelby Cobra, much less eight at one time!" said event organizer Chip Herman.

Nearly 200 American and European cars ranging from the 1920s to classics from the '50s and '60s will be on display, as well as modern exotics and motorcycles. The dance will feature drinks, a SoCal luau dinner, music, and dancing - as well as genuine woodies carrying surfboards to complete the beach party scene.

The Saturday show is free, but members of the public are invited to take a ride in one of the cars for a \$10 tax-deductible donation during the "Drive of the Classic Cars" at the close of the show. The "Drive of the Classics" will start their tour of

Orinda and Moraga at 3 p.m. "The best viewing will be on Orinda Way in Orinda Village," said Herman.

Proceeds of the show and dance party will benefit the Seniors Around Town transportation program and other local charities. More than \$300,000 has been raised for local charities by this annual event over the past 10 years.

Tickets for the dance start at \$100 for open seating, and tables are also available for groups. Parking will be available for the events. Further information is available at [www.orindacarshow.com](http://www.orindacarshow.com).

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