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Concorso d'Eleganza Villa d'Este 2017: Jury decides on the first special prizes.

The best-preserved pre-war and post-war automobiles, the most elegant vehicle of the Rolls-Royce marque, the best iconic vehicle, the car driven from farthest away, the most sensitive restoration, exceptional craftsmanship from its time, the most exciting body styling and the most impressive interior design were awarded with special prizes +++ Awards for the winners of the eight classes for automobiles and five motorcycle categories will be presented on Sunday +++ The presentation of the Trofeo BMW Group for the Best of Show will bring the Festival of Elegance to a close.

Munich /Cernobbio. The Jury of the Concorso d'Eleganza Villa d'Este 2017 responsible for the appraisal of historic automobiles announced its initial decisions on Saturday with awards for the winners of numerous prestigious special prizes. The awards made over and above the individual classes have the purpose of acknowledging outstanding attributes according to specific criteria relevant for the evaluation of classic vehicles. The international experts granted awards for criteria including the greatest sensitivity applied in restoration, a particularly spectacular exterior and an exceptional interior. The Jury was also looking for examples of outstanding craftsmanship from its time among all the competitors participating in the show and for the best iconic vehicle. Other prizes were awarded for the best preserved pre-war and post-war automobiles in the competition, the most elegant Rolls-Royce, and for the car driven from farthest away. Here is a list of the winning vehicles including the model, body designer, year of manufacture and owner:

Special Prizes

Trofeo FIVA

For the best preserved pre-war car Hispano-Suiza, T 49, Weymann Sport Saloon, H. J. Muliner, 1927, Marco Gastaldi, IT

Trofeo ASI

For the best preserved post-war car Abarth, 1000 Bialbero Record, Closed Monoposto, Pinin Farina, 1960, Luca Bertolero, IT

Special Prizes by the Jury

Trofeo BMW Group Classic

For the most sensitive restoration Bentley, MK VI Cresta, Coupé, Pinin Farina, 1948, Fred Kriz, MC

Trofeo Rolls-Royce

For the most elegant Rolls-Royce Rolls-Royce, Phantom I, Brougham de Ville, Charles Clark, 1926, Chris Meany, AU

Trofeo Vranken Pommery

For the best iconic car Ferrari, 250 GT Berlinetta SWB Competizione, Berlinetta, Pinin Farina, 1960, Destriero Collection, MC

Trofeo Julius Baer

For the car which showcases exceptional craftsmanship from its time Ghia, L 6.4, Coupé, Ghia, 1962, Jack Braam-Ruben, NL

Trofeo Foglizzo

For the best interior design Tatra, 77, Streamlined Saloon, Tatra, 1934, Tomáš Hoferek, CZ

Trofeo Auto & Design

For the most exciting design Shelby, Cobra 427, Roadster, AC, 1966, Brendan M. Finn, US

Trofeo Automobile Club di Como

For the car driven from farthest away Lagonda, Rapide, Four-Door Saloon, Touring, 1962, Edouard Mignon, CH Media representatives will find additional information under

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