



Dezerland Custom Cars

In the auto industry, custom cars were not something that began in the early part of the industry. Customization in those days was innovation, not taking a vehicle and changing its looks by paint or adding artistic accoutrements to the car.

"The custom car culture began in the garages and shops of southern California in the US in the mid-1950s. Terms such as tail draggers and lead sleds soon became familiar with people all over the United States. As the custom car craze spread, modifications began appearing on vehicles all around the world." <wise-geek.com>

As the popularity grew, the chopping or sectioning of cars took place. Special or intricate decorations were done during customization. <wise-geek.com>

According to <hotcars.com>, there are 20 terms associated with types of custom cars. They are low-rider, lowriders in the 40's-50s, stanced, highboy roadster & hot rod, gasser, deuce coupe, vicky, donk, rat rod, volksrod, flatrod, T-bucker, pony car, muscle car, funny car, midget race car, import tuner, shoebox Ford, lead sled, and the Woodie. <hotcars.com>

In the sources there are several articles about Elvis Presley and his love and ownership of cars.

Elvis died on August 16, 1977, age 42. Below is 1957 funny car dedicated to him





Clown, Characters & Conventional Custom Cars



Nautilus Car from 2003 movie “The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen” with Sean Connery



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