



News Advisory

Kansas City, MO (November 18, 2024) - After careful consideration and analysis of the circumstances, the Board of Directors of the Automobile Dealers Association of Kansas City has made the difficult decision to cancel the 2025 edition of the Kansas City Auto Show.

As the calendar continued to inch closer to show time (March 13-16), it became apparent that the limited number of brand commitments versus those brands who had opted out or were yet to determine their participation made proceeding with the event impractical and untenable for consumers, exhibitors, and other stakeholders.

"It is with disappointment and frustration that we had to make this choice, but the uncontrollable obstacles and hurdles were too steep to overcome," said Larry Carl, Producer of the Kansas City Auto Show and CEO of the Automobile Dealers Association of Kansas City. "We want all of our participants and attendees to benefit from a memorable, educational, and successful auto show. The path we were on could not ensure that outcome."

Auto show industry advocates believe a recalibration of brands' outlook on auto shows will shift more positively in the future. Carl added, "this Kansas City Auto Show hiatus is temporary...we'll be back"