



**2021 MBCA Mercedes Freude Event
 “The Joy of Everything Mercedes”
 Tuesday, November 2 – Friday, November 5, 2021**

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Welcome New Members!

We’re excited to have you as part of our Section, and look forward to seeing you at any of our events.

- ***Aiden Mohammadi***
- ***Jared Simons***
- ***Jenifer Clemens***

Thank You Loyal Members!

We sincerely thank you for renewing your membership and continued support of the Mile High Section MBCA.

- ***Adrian Palmer***
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President’s Message – ‘All About The Benz

By Stan Rios

Greetings Mile High Section Members! March is here! Spring is right around the corner. Warm temperatures bring fresh perspectives and a new car season.

March was supposed to be our Section Potluck and unfortunately, we were unable to acquire an indoor facility due to COVID restrictions. We are going to postpone until June. More information will be forthcoming on this event. Stay tuned.

On March 12, 2021, at 4:00pm MT, we are having our monthly Virtual Happy Hour. Please see the section in our newsletter called *March Virtual Happy Hour* on how to join the Zoom meeting.

I know there must be many of us that want to get out and take a nice drive to see the beautiful Colorado scenery. Well, it will be here before we know it!

We have a busy summer planned! Stay tuned for more details on these and many more fun-filled opportunities and motoring pleasures!

I hope to see you at one of our events soon! Stay safe and healthy in the days ahead!

Stan Rios
President
Mercedes-Benz Club of America | Mile High Section

February 2021 Virtual Happy Hour

Last month we had our Section monthly "Virtual Happy Hour" using Zoom, and we had a blast. We had conversations about many different topics and enjoyed it. I want to thank all of you who participated in the Zoom meeting.





2021 MBCA Renew Your Membership Special Incentives

By The National Business Office

Beginning March 1, 2021, running through May 31, 2021, we will be offering three special bonuses to members who renew their membership.

BONUS 1: One additional month added to your membership for every year you renew. You can earn up to an additional three months of extended membership for a three-year renewal (bonus months are added onto the expiration date of your membership).

BONUS 2: All members who renew their membership during this promotion will be eligible to win a \$50.00 gift card of their choice. (AMEX, VISA, or Amazon) Drawing to be held on June 2, 2021.

SPECIAL BONUS: If you enroll in Auto-Renew at the same time you renew, you will automatically be entered into the drawing for a \$50.00 gift card of your choice. (AMEX, VISA or Amazon) A drawing is held at every 1,000 auto-renew enrollment. The next drawing will be held at the 3,000 enrollment mark.

Don't delay, Renew today.

Renew online at <https://www.mbca.org/> or contact the National Business Office at 800.637.2360 and one of the staff will gladly assist you. (Disclaimer: This program is not retroactive.)

**Mercedes-Benz has made a 56-inch 'Hyperscreen' for its EQS electric car.
The AI adapts the cabin to your tastes.**

Text by J. Fingas, January 7, 2021
Submitted to *The Constellation* by Robert Unfug.



- Never mind the multi-display cabins in cars like the Porsche Taycan - Mercedes wants one giant display that practically dominates your view. The automaker has unveiled a 56-inch MBUX Hyperscreen that will span nearly the entire cabin width of its EQS luxury EV. It's not just meant to impress - it presents the instrument cluster, infotainment and passenger display in a seamless design that removes unused elements (such as the passenger view on a solo trip).
- The panel uses OLED covered in anti-reflective Gorilla Glass, and auto-adjusts brightness thanks to a camera and light sensor - it shouldn't distract you at night like some in-car displays. It should be responsive, too, with an (unspecified) eight-core CPU and 24GB of RAM.
- Hyperscreen's interface may be as important as the sheer size. Mercedes is focusing heavily on AI that surfaces and suggests features when you need them.
- The controls may be easier to use than in earlier MBUX-equipped cars. Mercedes is aiming for a "zero-layer" interface where common tasks are available right away - navigation is always at the center of the screen, for example.
- The company is still shy on exactly when you can expect to see the EQS beyond its vague 2021 target. However, the Hyperscreen teaser offers a clue as to what Mercedes has planned. This really will be an S-Class for the electric car era, including spare-no-expense cabin tech.

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The Man Cave of Westminster Event



On Saturday, May 15, 2021, at 10:00am, we will be having an event at The Man Cave of Westminster. Let's talk a little bit about The Man Cave. Man Cave Detail was founded in 2011 by Denver automotive icon, Michael Bergren. His vision is to provide collector car enthusiasts with a top-of-the-line detailing service. Accomplished Man Cave auto detailers use the finest equipment available to apply the industry's best automobile car-care products.

The Man Cave's prestigious Denver A-List rating is a powerful expression of how the area's auto enthusiasts feel about the quality work put out by The Man Cave. Dedicated to the most stringent set of performance criteria in the industry, The Man Cave's philosophy focuses on offering the highest quality possible in every phase of The Man Cave business. Whether it is a detailing project or a Man Cave product, customer satisfaction based on quality performance is the primary mission.

Michael Bergren (Man Cave – Mike), the owner of The Man Cave has been in the business of storing cars/detailing since 2007 and is very involved with the automotive culture here in Colorado. He has been a committee member and/or involved in some of the largest automotive events here including the Colorado Concours d'Elegance & Exotic Sports Car Show, Automezzi, Morgan Adams Concours, Drive for the Kids, and the British Conclave. He is also a founding member of the Telluride Festival of Cars which was named one of the top 10 car shows in the country on USA Today. He has also been the host of a radio show where he talks about upcoming car shows in the Denver metro area.

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- Vehicle Wraps – change the look of your vehicle with a 100% removable wrap.
- Paint Protection Film – commonly called Clear Bra, PPF protects your vehicle from stone chips on the front end.
- Paint Correction – restoring the paint finish to as close to a factory finish as possible. Removing surface scratches.

If you would like to check out the awesome work that The Man Cave has done, you can check out their website by clicking [here](#). This is an event you don't want to miss.

March Virtual Happy Hour



Please ensure that you have downloaded the Zoom app on your mobile device or Zoom client for either your Windows OS or Mac OS before joining this meeting.

Getting started with Zoom and/or Frequently Asked Questions:
<https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/206175806>

Stan Rios is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Mile High Section Virtual Happy Hour

Time: Mar 12, 2021 4:00 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

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MERCEDES FREUDE

“The Joy of Everything Mercedes”

MBCA’s newest & greatest National Event **EVER!**

Combining the best and most-popular activities of both **StarTech** & **StarFest** into one fabulous Gathering!

Location:
Omni Hilton Head Oceanfront Resort
Hilton Head Island, South Carolina

Dates:
Mercedes-Freude - Tuesday, November 2nd - Friday, November 5th, 2021
Legends of the Autobahn East - Saturday, November 6th (Port Royal Golf Course)
Hilton Head Island Concours d’Elegance - Sunday, November 7th (Port Royal Golf Course)

Along with our MBCA Event,
we will be able to experience the kickoff of Legends of the Autobahn-East,
as well as the renowned HHI Concours d’Elegance.

ACTIVITIES INCLUDED, BUT NOT LIMITED TO Welcome Reception, Historic Rally, Driving Events, Tech Sessions, MBCA Concours/Cars & Cocktails, MBCA Banquet, Golf, and a Special Limited Visit to the Robert Jepson Collection Tour.

*The hotel reservation link is open and available to book hotel rooms:
<https://www.omnihotels.com/hotels/hilton-head/meetings/mercedes-benz-club-of-america-10302021>
OR reservations can be made by calling Omni central reservation at 1-800-843-8884.
Ask for the group code: 110221MERCEDES. Cost per night, for a Resort View Studio Suite, is \$169,
plus taxes and daily discounted resort fee.*

Further details coming your way in the near future!

Rick Siefert
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Promotional Website Links

Mercedes Freude site:

This event site will be updated with more information as it becomes available.

<https://mercedes-freude.mbca.org/>

MBCA.org landing page and countdown clock for the event:

<https://www.mbca.org/mercedes-freude>

Hotel Information:

<https://mercedes-freude.mbca.org/mercedes-freude/omni>

Direct Hotel Booking:

<https://www.omnihotels.com/hotels/hilton-head/meetings/mercedes-benz-club-of-america-10302021>

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2021 Mile High Section Event Schedule

Events are subject to change due to COVID restrictions and shutdowns.

March 12	Virtual Happy Hour via Zoom	Stan Rios	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com
March 13	Section Potluck – postponed til June	Stan & Karen Rios	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com 720-862-6675 km80031@gmail.com
April 9	Virtual Happy Hour via Zoom	Stan Rios	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com
April 15	Board Meeting via Zoom	Stan Rios	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com
May 1	Scenic Drive Loveland to Estes Park	Whitlow Wong	720-220-1800 whitlowwong@comcast.net
May 14	Virtual Happy Hour via Zoom	Stan Rios	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com
May 15	The Man Cave of Westminster	Don Vollmer	303-835-2505 dmlvollmer@comcast.net
June 11	Virtual Happy Hour via Zoom	Stan Rios	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com

June 12	Early Morning Drive to Mount Evans / Brunch / New Members Event	<i>Mike & Karen Redel</i>	303-637-0219 mikeredel@outlook.com karenredel@outlook.com
July 9	Virtual Happy Hour via Zoom	<i>Stan Rios</i>	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com
July 9-12	Regional Event – Palisade Wine Tour / MB Vintage Restoration Tour	<i>Stan & Karen Rios</i>	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com 720-862-6675 km80031@gmail.com
July 15	Board Meeting via Zoom	<i>Stan Rios</i>	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com
July 24	Joint Section Picnic – Scenic Drive & Lunch/Ice cream social	<i>Whitlow Wong</i>	720-220-1800 whitlowwong@comcast.net
Aug 13	Virtual Happy Hour via Zoom	<i>Stan Rios</i>	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com
Aug 20-22	Gunnison Car Show	<i>Stan & Karen Rios</i>	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com 720-862-6675 km80031@gmail.com
Sept 9-14	South Dakota Road Trip – Mt Rushmore, Black Hills, Crazy Horse and more	<i>Stan & Karen Rios</i>	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com 720-862-6675 km80031@gmail.com
Oct 8	Virtual Happy Hour via Zoom	<i>Stan Rios</i>	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com
Oct 9	Annual Elections Dinner	<i>Michael Davison</i>	720-233-7411 mhd539@msn.com
Oct 14	Board Meeting via Zoom	<i>Stan Rios</i>	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com
Nov 12	Virtual Happy Hour via Zoom	<i>Stan Rios</i>	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com
Nov 13	2022 Section Events Planning Meeting via Zoom	<i>Stan Rios</i>	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com
Dec 5	Annual Holiday Party	<i>Michael Davison</i>	720-233-7411 mhd539@msn.com
Dec 10	Virtual Happy Hour via Zoom	<i>Stan Rios</i>	720-404-6362 rican6987@gmail.com

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Mile High Upcoming Events

March 12, 2021

Virtual Happy Hour via Zoom – 4:00 p.m.
Stan Rios – rican6987@gmail.com

March 13, 2021 *(postponed til June)*

Section Potluck
Location & Time: TBD
Stan Rios – rican6987@gmail.com
Karen Rios – km80031@gmail.com

April 9, 2021

Virtual Happy Hour via Zoom – 4:00 p.m.
Stan Rios – rican6987@gmail.com

Pikes Peak Upcoming Events

March 2, 2021

Board Meeting – 5:00 p.m.
Andrew Nelson – 719-217-9481

March 5, 2021

Jack Quinn's 5th@5 – 5:00 p.m.
Pete Kulzer – 719-338-9437

March 20, 2021

St. Patrick's Day Dinner – 5:00 p.m.
Pete Kulzer – 719-338-9437

April 5, 2021

Beasts & Brews 5th @5 – 5:00 p.m.
Steve Dierks – 719-659-9959

Questions? Call your Section President at 720-404-6362, or our National Business Office at 1-800-637-2360, Monday-Thursday, 8:00am – 4:30pm MT; Friday, 8:00am – 4:00pm MT. Or visit www.mbca.org. Visit us on the web at mbcamilehigh.org

Update on the Annual Car Show at Arapahoe Community College

Knowing that entrants, judges, volunteers and guests continue to face ongoing health concerns related to the COVID-19 pandemic, officials of the Colorado Concours d'Elegance and Ability Connection Colorado have decided to postpone the show, which was scheduled for June, 13, 2021. We are working with Arapahoe Community College on securing a September date. Currently, this option is still uncertain.

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