



*Women in the Winner's Circle:
The Traveling Exhibit*



PIONEERS

1900's-1930's

TRAILBLAZERS

1940's-1970's

MODERN

1980's-2000

HERE WE ARE

2000-2009

THE FUTURE

PIONEERS

(1900's-1930's)

Pioneering Women included:

Camille duGast - 1st woman to race in the great Paris-Madrid Race.

Elisabeth Junek - Grand Prix Racer. Had fantastic performances in the Targa Florio.

Hèllè Nice - Known as the Bugatti Queen, competed in more than 70 different high-echelon events.

"When you practice a dangerous sport like racing, you always risk paying the price one day."

- **Kay Petre**

Set 1933 Speed Record of 134.34MPH

Kay Petre - Set a speed record of 134.34 miles per hour at Brooklands in the U.K. in 1933.



Mariette Hélène Delangle (Hèllè Nice)



Betty Skelton



Shirley Muldowney

TRAILBLAZERS

(1940's-1970's)

Trailblazing Women included:

Louise Smith - Won 38 stock car races in her 11 year career.

Betty Skelton - Set numerous records in closed course, stock car, land speed and transcontinental races.

Shirley Muldowney - 1st driver to win three NHRA Top Fuel Championships.

Janet Guthrie - 1st woman to race in the Indianapolis 500 and the 1st woman to race in the NASCAR Daytona 500.

Denise McCluggage - Newspaper journalist who raced against many of the very best drivers in the world in sports cars.

**"Change is the only constant.
Hanging on is the only sin."**

- Denise McCluggage
Newspaper Journalist/Racer



Paula Murphy



Lyn St. James

"Whenever I get to a low point, I go back to the basics. I ask myself, 'Why am I doing this?' It always comes down to passion."

- Lyn St. James

First Woman Indianapolis 500

Rookie of the Year

MODERN

(1980's-2000)

Modern Women Included:

Desire Wilson - 1st and only woman to win in a Formula One race of any kind.

Michèle Mouton - Won the world famous Pikes Peak Hillclimb in 1985.

Shawna Robinson - 1st woman to qualify on the pole at a NASCAR Busch Series race.

Lyn St. James - Set world closed course speed records, had victories in the IMSA Camel GT Series, and was the first woman to win the Indianapolis 500 Rookie of the Year in 1992.

Desire Wilson



Kristal Loescher



HERE WE ARE

(2000 - 2009)

Women Who Are Here Now Include:

Jutta Kleinschmidt - Winner of the 2001 Paris to Dakar Rally.

Melanie Troxel - Only woman racer to win the Women's Sports Foundation Professional Athlete of the Year.

Sarah Fisher - Only woman to qualify on the pole of an IndyCar race at Kentucky Speedway.

Danica Patrick - 1st woman driver to lead laps at the Indianapolis 500 and to win an IndyCar race at Twin Ring Motegi in Japan.



"I don't feel like there's anything that I need to do for anybody else. I want to win bad enough for myself."

- Danica Patrick - 1st woman driver to lead laps at the Indy 500

Danica Patrick

THE FUTURE

There are young women all over the world right now... racing quarter midgets, junior dragsters, go karts, mini sprints and sprint cars and they are dreaming.

They are dreaming of making it to the top levels of racing...

and they will fulfill their dreams!

Brianna Hershey



Women IN THE WINNER'S CIRCLE FOUNDATION

Founded in 1994 by Lyn St. James, the Women in the Winner's Circle Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization that focuses on worldwide activities and programs for driver development, advocacy, diversity and education, particularly for women who aspire to become race car drivers.

The Foundation is dedicated to making a difference and reaching the point in time when "opportunity" and "diversity" are no longer concerns – they are taken for granted.

Providing leadership, vision, resources and financial support to help create an environment of opportunity for women's growth in the automotive and competitive motor sports fields.

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