



Your Spring Checklist

Winter is over!! The days are getting longer and warmer. Spring is in the air and it's time to go out and play. And, as responsible and diligent car owners, we know exactly what we need to do...

1. Pull off the car cover.
2. Check the oil / water levels and tire pressures.
3. Investigate / address any leaks.
4. Make sure the battery is fully charged.
5. Turn the key and seize your first day of spirited motoring!!

Zakira's Garage is Growing!

Mike Wagner and Will Heard of Cornfield Customs join the team

Cincinnati's car enthusiasts enjoy a number of custom and classic car services supporting the fulfillment of all kinds of automotive dreams. In late 2018, Zakira's began discussing the advantages of combining efforts with one such shop, nationally renowned Cornfield Customs. The two shops boast strong talent and capabilities in a number of complementary areas and it quickly became clear that teaming up would be in the best interests of both shops as well as their clientele.

As a result of those talks, Cornfield's two employees, Mike Wagner and Will Heard, joined Zakira's effective February 15, 2019. With Mike and Will as part of the team, Zakira's can now add on-site custom bodywork and metal shaping as well as CNC plasma services to its already long list of capabilities, which includes welding, machining, restoration, repair and customization.



"We're building a one-stop shop, where you can bring your wildest idea or even just bits and pieces of a car. We'll turn that vision into something that puts a smile on your face," says Evan Frank, Zakira's business manager. Cornfield's project list has moved under Zakira's umbrella, streamlining the business logistics side of the total operation and allowing Mike and Will to focus on what they really love to do - work metal. Now technical and electrical project work take place concurrently with panel shaping. At the end of the day, customer dreams turn to reality faster than ever before!

But wait, there's more!

Mike and Will aren't the only experts who joined Zakira's team this February. Brandon Strock added his formidable skills and years of experience as a Lead Technician the very same week.

Brandon's interest in cars was first piqued when riding in a split window VW Beetle with his grandfather, who had swapped a Porsche flat six into the Beetle. They smoked a Corvette in a street race and that, as they say, was that! From that moment on, Brandon was hooked on cars.

Brandon's professional experience includes technician roles at Dubwerx, a local VW/Audi specialist shop, as well as at EP Werks and Bentley Zionsville, both in Indiana. He's also crewed for APR's Continental Tire Sports Car Challenge / Pirelli World Challenge teams. Brandon is an enthusiast of anything with two wheels, from dirt bikes to mountain bikes to sport bikes. Come by any time and meet the man himself!



Come See Us Twice in June!

Spring Open House on June 2nd, 1-5pm



Come one, come all! Zakira's Garage and Cornfield Customs are pleased to announce our Spring Open House this weekend, **June 2, 2019, 1-5pm**. The event will be held at Cornfield's original shop at **5907 Deerfield Road in Milford**. We'd love to show you all of our new capabilities. The shop is super cool and you'll love the collection of cars, tools and memorabilia. Plus, you'll get to meet Mike and Will!!!

the Cincinnati Concours d'Elegance on June 9th, 10am-4pm

A nationally recognized car show, this year's Cincinnati Concours d'Elegance focuses on Mid-Century Modern ~ American Style, 1948-1965, in majestic **Ault Park** on **June 9th, 10am-4pm**. In addition to all the spectacular cars, you'll be able to enjoy the formal gardens of the historic park as well as an automotive art show, brunch and a beer garden. For more information, go to ohioconcours.com.



Zakira's will be there in a vendor booth showcasing one of our most interesting projects of the year. What is it? Well, you'll have to come and find out! The photo at the top of the email and the one in this paragraph give you a sneak peek - can you guess year, make and model? Just know that it won't be nearly as pretty as all the finished cars on display. We want you to see what these cars look like in the process of restoration. Of course, you're welcome to stop by our shop any time to see any of our other projects!

The final pylon...

Spring is here and summer is nigh! Time to put on your driving shoes and exercise your four-wheeled steeds as they're meant to be exercised. On the open road. On the track, On the trail. Doesn't matter, really, as long you're out in your favorite vehicle driving your favorite drive!



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As always, if you need anything automotive, please call us at 513-272-2229, email us at info@zakiras.com, check out www.zakiras.com or just stop by the shop 8am-5pm Monday through Friday in Fairfax at **6219 Wooster Pike**, Cincinnati, OH 45227.

We thank you for your continued business and we're excited to see you at the Open House and the Concours!

Regards,
your Team at Zakira's