

"It's a never-ending battle of making your cars better and also trying to be better yourself."

Dale Earnhart

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From all of us here at Zakira's Garage, we hope you had a fantastic holiday season and survived "Snow-mageddon" 2025!

As we roll into the new year, we're excited to continue serving both your daily drivers and

classic cars with an expanded range of services.

Need winter tires mounted and balanced? We've got you covered. Battling potholes? Our alignment services will keep you on track. And when the salt starts taking a toll, our detailing services are here to help your car look its best.

## Zakira's 2025 Chili Cook-Off - January 25

Calling all chili champions and dessert bakers! There's still time to sign up for our 2025 Chili Cook-Off, happening on January 25th, 2025 from 1 PM to 3:30 PM. Whether you're part of a Car Club or an individual looking to showcase your culinary skills, we'd love to see you cook your best chili or bake your finest dessert.



Here are the chili categories for this year:

- People's Choice Chili Voted on by everyone attending, including both entrants and non-entrants. Ballots will be available, and votes will be tallied by Zakira's. 1 Winner
- Spiciest (but still edible) Chili Bring the heat! We're looking for the spiciest chili that still delivers great flavor. 1 Winner
- Most Unique Chili Think outside the pot! This category celebrates non-traditional styles like sweet potato venison, vegetarian, Thaiinspired, pineapple-infused, and more. 1 Winner
- Best Overall Chili Judged by Zakira's "expert" tasters based on five main criteria. This is the ultimate title for chili supremacy. 1 Winner

Desserts will also have their own separate category, so bakers, don't hold back! Store bought desserts will not be judged.

As always, our "expert" panel of Zakira's Judges will crown the winners, who'll receive custom hand-crafted trophies—and maybe even a roll of Tums. To add to the excitement, we'll also be streaming the Rolex 24 Hours of Daytona race during the event, so you can enjoy incredible cars and amazing food all in one place.

Don't wait—spots are filling up fast! For details and to secure your entry, email us at jenn@zakiras.com.

## 2025 Event Schedule

We're gearing up for an exciting 2025 filled with incredible events, and we hope you'll join us along the way! While this schedule is tentative and may adjust as new events in the Cincinnati area are announced, here's what we've got planned so far:

- January 25, 2025 Zakira's Garage Chili Cook-Off RSVP REQUIRED 1 PM -3:30 PM
- May 17, 2025 Zakira's Garage Open House / Cars 'n Coffee 9:30 AM -12:30 PM
- June 8, 2025 Cincinnati Concours d'Elegance Week
- June 12–14, 2025 Southern Ohio Forest Rally Week
- June 21, 2025 Zakira's Garage Cars 'n Coffee 9 AM 11 AM
- June 2025 Zakira's Garage at the Glendale Gathering Exact date TBD
- July 19, 2025 Zakira's Garage Cars 'n Coffee 9 AM 11 AM
- August 16, 2025 Zakira's Garage Cars 'n Coffee 9 AM 11 AM
- August 2025 Bellefontaine Hill Climb Revival (Zakira's Garage Tech will be Inspection Specialist) - Exact date TBD
- September 20, 2025 Zakira's Garage Cars 'n Coffee 9 AM 11 AM
- September 28, 2025 VW Porsche Reunion
- October 18, 2025 Zakira's Garage Cars 'n Coffee 9 AM 11 AM

**Zakira's Garage Cars 'n Coffee** takes place on the third Saturday of each month, May through October. Cars 'n Coffee is held in the back lot of Zakira's Garage. These casual gatherings are the perfect opportunity to enjoy great coffee, fantastic cars, and connect with fellow enthusiasts.

We're always looking to connect with the community through unique events. If you'd like Zakira's Garage to sponsor your event or host one here at the shop, we'd love to hear from you! Please reach out to jenn@zakiras.com with your event details.

Stay tuned as we update this schedule throughout the year. We're looking forward to a year filled with memorable moments, fantastic cars, and great company!

## Join the Team at Zakira's Garage



Are you a passionate car enthusiast with a talent for craftsmanship? Zakira's Garage is always on the lookout for skilled individuals to join our team. We specialize in automotive repair, restoration, and performance tuning, and we're searching for candidates with the following qualifications:

- **Experience:** 10+ years in automotive repair, restoration, and/or performance tuning.
- **Communication:** Ability to interact with customers to identify concerns, explain repair or modification strategies, and provide exceptional service.
- **Craftsmanship:** Skill in light fabrication of parts, with an exceptional eye for detail and a commitment to high-quality work.
- **Passion for Cars:** A genuine enthusiasm for automobiles and the work we do to keep them on the road.

If you think you'd be a great fit for this role and would like to join our team, we'd love to hear from you. Please email your resume to <a href="https://example.com">https://example.com</a> and tell us a bit about yourself.

Let's create something extraordinary together!

The Final Pylon...

From all of us here at Zakira's Garage, we hope you had a fantastic holiday season. We wish you a prosperous year of good health, memorable moments, and even better driving. Whatever the road ahead brings, we're here to help you stay on course.



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 9 AM - 5 PM Monday through Friday in Blue Ash at 4480 Lake Forest Dr., #314, Cincinnati, OH 45242.

We thank you for your continued business and we wish you all a spectacular spring!!

Regards,
your Team at Zakira's