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A FOREWORD FROM CHEVROLET®
For some people, and certainly for us, the Corvette is art. And, like art, it is both important and fun. We felt these were reasons enough to use art as a theme for our 1989 Corvette brochure. We thoroughly enjoyed preparing it, and trust you will find it as pleasurable as it is informative.
The Corvette as Art

It's art you look at. It's art you look into. And it's art you get into. Art that silences off your senses.

Kitsch art, through which you experience not only again, but endlessly. Art that transports you as no other art does.

It may be viewed as the introduction of reality into an era that satisfies both artist and viewer. Accept no substitute and you are at your own risk. In 1953, the Corvette is an entirely different picture. It is a great pride whether or not the authors of the Corvette set out in 1953 to make a form of the automobile. But it's known that the man who was to become a great Perhaps, the Corvette did not act in the automotive age of conservative style and gadgets, and in a sense, it was written by itself fully. Life may cede an arena to the other, the world that Corvettes as little subject to us. What would we have used, through imagination and emotion, it would not be the realization of the fast but not a metaphor for the time. Life is not a pattern as it is seen as an arena to the other, the world that Corvettes did not act on the future. An automobile act not on how could be the plan. With the birth of Corvette, the automobile and open home and happy America could seek its origins of existence and somewhere and even ways to express that its nature. It may be seen that it is subordinated to an emotional and spiritual dimension of the time. Accordingly, the automobile became a hamstrung object that expresses human emotions in art and music, while perhaps it is proper subject for art, and a political art form itself. In 1953, the stories that Corvettes took shape in the novels and in the glowing images of Henry Ford's fashion, today mostly famous and a country car of the popular demand for "wheels" having been satisfied, as people were not then. When everything on an automobile might be, more likely that Henry Ford's dream was to design an automobile, to develop traditional characteristics, a sport design, and not to say that the Corvette that excited has become
In addition to the artwork displayed on various pages throughout this brochure, Chevrolet commissioned three artists of national stature to share their personal impressions of Corvette.

The exhibit, shown on these and forthcoming pages, reflects the highly individual approaches of artists involved, portraying serious (and not-so-serious) Corvette moods.

Robert Cunningham

"I've always admired the Corvette but this new generation appeals to my eye. It has a sensitivity of line, with the excitement of a sports car.

Robert Cunningham appreciates "the freedom, more with substance" his art allows because of the flexibility of its power and speed. With an economy of brushstrokes, he conveys impressive detail.

"This scene played out my concept of Corvette in Millstone, N.J. in Connecticut. It is a line soaring up to a sea side Corvette," says Cunningham. Robert Cunningham's illustrations have appeared in many of America's leading publications, including Art in America and The New York Times. His paintings have been exhibited at the Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, Phadri's Arena Cunningham as the designer of the U.S.A. 's 1980 Olympic state."
Robert Bixler
The paintings of Fire Angeles, a
paradise-like vision centered on
the Middle Ages, are so
representative of the "red
Corvette" genre that when the
attacks of the 1980s more
decisively oriented artists
necessarily met the market
with all its pressures and
invading engulfing allure, the
art of Bixler's series of paintings
on the subject of a Spanish
castle is automatically art and
enriched by the aura. "In the
1980s, Bob Bixler's work has been
continually evolving as well as
the influences from abroad. After
colleges at the Royal School of
Art in Philadelphia and graduated
from the Union Academy of Fine
Arts in Boston, Bixler has worked
as an advertising agency and
director of an advertising agency.
Bob Bixler's work has been
recognized in various shows and
exhibitions and has been widely
published in magazines and
catalogues.
OH, ROY... IS THERE...
ANOTHER?...
O, SOB

VAROOM!

Paul Goldin contributed the pop art screenprint and title lettering created into Covante's corporate identity. The cover design pattern and red, blue, yellow colors of the comic strip. Then I put the title pattern on a black-and-white pen and ink drawing. I wanted to express—
in a way—the excitement that is Covante.

Goldin was a lead artist for a recent

Artists Impressions
Sports car engineering has now been unequivocally elevated to a fine art. Corvette Coupe, the grand touring edition of America's exotic car, offers a stunning combination of advanced design, luxurious comfort and stellar performance. Think of it as an objet d'art with a 5.4 sec. 0-to-60.

The editors of leading automotive magazines agree: Corvette Coupe is one of the world's great cars. By way of example, Car and Driver magazine has included Corvette in its "Ten Best" list for four years running.

For those who prefer a closed sports car (and the majority of the world's "supercars" take this configuration), this Corvette offers a unique advantage: a one-piece removable roof panel that combines convertible flair with the security of a coupe. The Coupe is also the most aerodynamic Corvette, an important reason why this is the body style selected by professional racing teams. In fact, the current-generation Corvette Coupe, specially modified for racing, has won more SCCA-sanctioned competition events than any other car in its class.

Yet the street version of Corvette is one of the world's most refined grand touring automobiles, as composed on the interstate (or autobahn) as it is aggressive in wheel-to-wheel competition.

EXTERIOR DESIGN
The 1989 Coupe is unmistakably Corvette, from the dramatic sweep of the hood to the wraparound rear glass. Highlights of the exterior design include:
- Lustrous base-clear/clear-coat paint
- Newly standard 17" x 9½" cast-aluminum wheels and F275/40ZR17 directional Eagle tires
- Retractable headlamps, halogen fog lamps, and front and rear cornering lamps
- Frameless glass rear hatch with three remote releases
- And of course, corrosion-proof fiberglass body panels

THE CORVETTE INTERIOR
Corvette offers superbly luxurious and ergonomically correct seating for two. This exciting sports car environment includes:

- Standard sport cloth bucket seats are newly styled. New leather seats and new leather sport seats with power adjustments are optional.
- Complete electronic instrumentation with analog and digital displays.
- Standard air conditioning, AM/FM stereo with cassette player, power windows, power door locks, power mirrors, Tilt-Telescopic steering wheel and intermittent wipers.

*Corvette Coupe with 6-speed manual transmission. Results achieved on GM test track by professional drivers.
Simply put, its styling is like a breath of fresh air. Corvette Convertible provides a perfect balance of top-down exhilaration and performance technology unique to Corvette. And many drivers will have their Corvette no other way.

The emotional appeal of the convertible Corvette is undeniable—and enduring. Decades from now, this car will be remembered as a milestone achievement in automotive artistry.

CONVERTIBLE ENGINEERING
Significantly, this Corvette has been designed as a convertible. To ensure the highest quality standards, the Convertible is custom-crafted on a special final assembly line within the Bowling Green, Kentucky, Corvette plant. Convertible specifics include:

- A manually operated, aerodynamically designed convertible top with headliner and acrylic rear window. Choose from three top colors, depending on exterior color selected: Black, White or Saddle.
- A covered well into which the top completely disappears. There is no unsightly boot to mar the top-down appearance.
- Fully independent suspension tuned specifically for the Convertible.

Naturally, the Convertible is equipped with a full roster of luxury features, including air conditioning, Delco AM-FM stereo with cassette tape player, power windows and door locks, and Tilt-Telescopic steering wheel. Optional equipment includes the acclaimed Delco-Raytheon system, electronic control air conditioning and leather interior trim in a choice of five colors.
The king of the production sports cars is obviously intended on retaining its crown. Corvette is a creature of raw power, sophisticated performance features and style of the '65 sports car context. It continues to be a truly phenomenal machine—one designed to have its way with any road.
Electronic speed control.

Additional standard features include:
- Electronic speed control
- Dual vinyl top with roll bar
- Standard on all 1989 models.

The Convertible's soft top disappears below a fiberglass panel when lowered.
Corvette's 1989 exterior palette offers two exciting new shades of traditional favorites, White and Dark Red Metallic, plus six carryover hues. The paint quality of Corvette is exceptional, thanks to one of the world's most advanced paint operations. Base coat/clear coat paints are applied in a fully automated four-step process that results in vibrant finishes that display a deep "wet look" shine.

**STANDARD CLOTH SEAT**
This fully reclining bucket seat is deeply contoured and beautifully trimmed in rich sport cloth. Available colors: Black, Saddle.

**OPTIONAL LEATHER SEAT**
The luxury of genuine leather seating surfaces is optional at extra cost. Colors: Blue, Black, Gray, Red, Saddle.

**OPTIONAL LEATHER SPORT SEAT**
A new body-shaped leather sport seat with full lumbar power adjustment is optional on Corvette Coupe with the Z51 Performance Handling Package (requires two additional options: power side-way driver and passenger seat adjustments).
ENGINE
5.7 Liter (350 Cu. In.) V8 with Tuned-Port Fuel Injection
Block: Cast iron alloy
Pistons: Cast aluminum
Valve Lifters: Roller hydraulic
Bore: 4.00" Stroke: 3.48"
Horsepower: 245 net @ 4300 RPM*
Torque: 340 lb.-ft. @ 3200 RPM*
Recommended Fuel: Unleaded premium
Fuel Pump: Electric (in tank)
Fuel Tank Capacity (in gals.): 20

TIRES AND WHEELS — STANDARD
TIREs
P275 40ZR-17 B/W High-speed steel-belted radial Eagle ZR40 unidirectional (Goodyear)
WHEELs: 17" x 9½"
Type and Material: Left-right specific aluminum alloy road wheels with special vent design.

SUSPENSION — GENERAL
SHOCK ABSORBERS (front and rear)
TYPE: Standard — Gas pressurized

SUSPENSION — FRONT
TYPE AND DESCRIPTION
Independent, forged aluminum upper and lower control arms and steering knuckle, transverse monoleaf spring and steel stabilizer, spindle offset.
Spring Type and Material: Monoleaf filament-wound glass-epoxy composite.

SUSPENSION — REAR
TYPE AND DESCRIPTION
Independent 5-link design with toe and camber adjustment, forged aluminum control arms, knuckles and struts, transverse monoleaf spring steel tie-rod and stabilizer. Tubular U-jointed drive shafts.
Spring Type and Material: Monoleaf, filament-wound glass-epoxy composite.

BRAKES
DESCRIPTION
Aluminum caliper with nodular iron reaction bracket; pad reaction through bracket.
Self-adjusting.
TYPE
Front: Disc with sliding-head caliper, low drag.
Rear: Disc with sliding-head caliper, low drag.
Special Valving: Proportioning — integral with master cylinder.
Power Brakes: Standard.
Anti-Lock Braking System: Electronic 4-wheel, 3-channel (standard).

ELECTRICAL — SUPPLY SYSTEM
BATTERY
Make: Delco
Model: 75-630
Voltage: 12 volts
Amps at 0°F Cold Crank: 630 cold-cranking amps (CCA)
Minutes, Reserve Capacity: 90
Location: Engine compartment directly behind left wheel opening.

ALTERNATOR
Type and Rating: 105 amps

ELECTRICAL — Starting System
STARTER MOTOR
Current Drain at 0°F: 350 amps

ELECTRICAL — Ignition System
Type: High Energy Ignition
Coil: Integral with distributor.
SPARK PLUG
Make: AC
Model: FR5LS
Gap: .089mm (0.035 in.)

BODY
STRUCTURE
Integral perimeter-frame birdcage forms unitized body structure.

ANTI-CORROSION TREATMENT
All-encompassing corrosion protection including extensive use of aluminum, galvanization; use of specially treated fasteners; austenitic stainless steel or specially coated brackets, clamps, clips and braces; use of aluminumized steel.

STEERING
Power: Standard
Adjustable Steering Wheel: (Standard)
Black-leather-wrapped two-spoke steering wheel; Tilt-Telescopic.
Turning Diameter: 40.4 ft.
Steering Type: Alloy rack-and-pinion
Overall Ratio: 13:1

FRAME
All-welded steel body-frame construction, 100% galvanized.

DIMENSIONS AND WEIGHTS
EXTERIOR
Width: 710"
Front Tread: 59.6"
Rear Tread: 60.4"
Wheelbase: 96.2"
Overall Length: 176.5"
Height: 46.7" (46.4" Conv)
Minimum Ground Clearance: 4.9"

INTERIOR
Head Room: 36.4" (36.5" Conv)
Leg Room: 42.6"
Shoulder Room: 54.1"
Hip Room: 49.3"
Cargo Volume: 17.9 cu. ft. (6.6 cu. ft. Conv)
Curb Weight: 6-speed manual: 3,257 lbs. (3,269 lbs. Conv)
Automatic: 3,223 lbs. (3,263 lbs. Conv)

*240 HP at 4300 RPM and 335 ft.-lbs. torque at 3200 RPM on Coupe with 2.55 axle and all Cowlvent.

*Tyre chains should not be used because they may cause damage to your car.
Optional Equipment

Electronic air conditioning lets you set desired temperature digitally.

Electronic Noise Control is one of the finest sound systems available in a production automobile.

Electronic Noise Control

Electronic Noise Control System is completely independent of the car's main electrical system and has its own battery for reliability. If any feature of this system fails, it will not affect the performance of your car. This system is specifically designed and developed for the Corvette sports car. It reduces noise levels by 10 dB (decibels) or more, compared to the sound level of a production automobile.

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SAFETY FEATURES

OCCUPANT PROTECTION
- Manual lap/shoulder safety belts for driver and right front passenger, driver side includes visual and audible warning system
- Energy-absorbing steering column
- Energy-absorbing instrument panel
- Laminated safety windshield glass
- Safety interlocking door latches
- Side-guard door beam
- Passenger-guard inside door lock handles
- Safety armrests
- Head restraints, driver and right front passenger

ACCIDENT AVOIDANCE
- Side marker lights and reflectors
- Parking lamps that illuminate with headlamps
- Four-way hazard warning flasher
- Back-up lights
- Center high-mounted stop lamp
- Directional signal control with lane-change feature
- Windshield defroster, washer and multi-speed wipers (pulsed-type)
- Inside rearview mirror
- Dual electric remote outside rearview mirrors
- Brake system with dual master cylinder and warning light
- Starter safety switch
- Low-glow finish on inside windshield moldings, wiper arms and blades, metallic steering wheel surfaces
- Illuminated heater and defrost controls
- Illuminated windshield washer and wiper controls
- Tires with built-in tread-wear indicators

THEFT DETERRENCE
- Audible reminder for ignition key removal
- Theft-deterrent steering column lock
- Visible vehicle identification number
- Vehicle Anti-Theft System (VATS)
- Audio alarm system with starter-interrupt feature
- Locking roof panel with theft-deterrent mount (Corvette Coupe only)
- Theft-deterrent wheel lugs

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