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Part 1: Skyline is coming!

For more infos just check Johns perfect report: http://lamleydlm.blogspot.de/2016/02/its-coming-along-nicely-matchbox.html

We all did see the silver resin prototype the Matchbox team did show us:



Now the first shots of the real thing appeared and the car looks really good:







For me pretty close to the real thing:

Performance





Part 2: The Design Team does care

Never before the collectors had such influence ... Thank you Gerry & Team for letting us take a part. What happened? The first pics arrived us from the New Mazda MX5 Miata with the tri-spoke wheels – see pic:



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Collectors would like a more modern wheel more – so we will get a second run with changed wheel – check:



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Part 3: Boxes are back in stores

Problems with the distribution of the models are always a core topic. Rumors are that Target is dropping the standard models on blister cards – lets cross the fingers that it is only for the boxed version – these boxes do come out very good in my opinion!



Also the Best of models are available now!



Part 4: "New" Collectibles Series

Of course this is not a new series – Matchbox did stop the bigger scale collectible models in 2006 with the 50th anniversary of the Models of Yesteryear models. By the way its 60th birthday this year!

At the times of Matchbox Collectibles they do borrow models from other companies – sometimes to get useful additions to the sets.

Example European Minicars series called VEM stocked up with Vitesse castings:



Or the Oldies but goodies series:



Some additions were just nonsense like the real working train crescent:



Now I found models that also doesn't look like real Matchbox. They are bigger than normal Matchbox - about 15cm long. And they come in a collectible box showing the CAT company logo. Interesting find after at least 10 years. We guess the models are from 1999 – that would be 17 years without showing up!

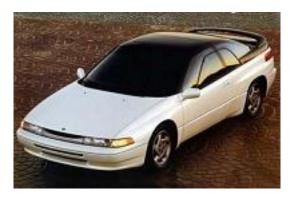


MODELS WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE MADE

(Second installment by: Larry Scaduto)

Good day and we now welcome February with open arms knowing Spring is not too far away. I'm not complaining about Winter, it has been unusually mild this season. But the Auto Shows have been ongoing bringing a nice new selection of fresh ideas for the future. I've had several collectors send me their ideas and I'm listing several below. Remember, if you want to have your idea here in my article you must send me a picture. (Not just the name & year of a vehicle) Only you know exactly what you want to see in the Matchbox lineup. I would only be guessing if you sent just a name. With that said, here is my e-mail..... matchboxamb10@outlook.com Thank you!

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1992 Subaru Alcyone SVX



2015 Ford Mondeo Ecoboost



2016 Jaguar XF



2016 Mercedes C-Class Coupe



Kia Telluride



Lexus LC500



Lamborghini Aventador Policia



2017 Chevy Cruz Hatchback



Acura Precision Concept



1958 Edsel Villager



1963 GMC Stepside



1968 International Loadstar 1600



Mercedes G63 AMG 6x6



2017 Cadillac Escalade ESV Platinum



2015 Toyota FCV Concept

And now we end with some ideas for liveries for the current or existing Matchbox models.....



1953 Jeep Willys MBX Fire Dept.



2015 Ford Contractor Pickup INC.