



WORLD CAR AWARDS

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AND NOW THERE IS ONE

KIA EV6 GT – 2023 WORLD PERFORMANCE CAR

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THE ROAD TO WORLD CAR 2023 and the **WORLD CAR FINALS POWERED BY BREMBO** concluded today with the live announcement of the winners in six award categories at the [New York International Auto Show](#).

The **2023 World Performance Car** is the **KIA EV6 GT**.

A [jury of 100 distinguished international automotive journalists](#) from 32 countries selected the winners by secret ballot based on their evaluation of each eligible vehicle as part of their on-going professional work. The vote results were tabulated by [KPMG](#).

President and CEO of Kia Ho Sung Song said: “To be recognized in this way by the World Car Awards’ judges is a tremendous honor. As Kia transitions to become a world-leading sustainable solutions provider, we are leaving no stone unturned to create vehicles which deliver exceptional practicality while also inspiring customers through their ingenuity, technology, and design. This latest prestigious accolade provides further confirmation of the success of our strategy.”

The World Performance Car trophy was created by legendary automotive designer **IAN CALLUM**’s design and engineering consultancy [CALLUM](#). “The World Car Awards are held in the highest regard by the industry and as a recipient, I appreciate how much it means to a design team to have it proudly on display in the studio,” says **Ian Callum**. “Reimagining both the design and manufacture is a huge privilege and just the opportunity the team at CALLUM relish.”

All seven of the new CALLUM designed trophies were produced by [REPLIQUE](#) using the first fully encrypted 3D printing platform that offers OEMs a secure and sustainable means of providing parts on demand, anytime, anywhere. “We are proud to be chosen as the manufacturer of this year’s World Car Awards, and by that take part in such an important event within the automotive industry,” says **Henrike Wonneberger**, co-founder of Replique.

The **KIA EV6 GT** was chosen from an initial entry list of eight (8) vehicles from all over the world then a short list of three finalists as announced on March 7th. The 2023 **Top Three in the World finalists** are the Kia EV6 GT, the Nissan Z and the Toyota GR Corolla.

Vehicles eligible for **World Performance Car** must be produced in volumes of at least 1,000 units/year, must be overtly performance-focused in overall character, and must be “on-sale” in at least two major markets (China, Europe, India, Japan, Korea, Latin America, USA) on at least two separate continents within the period January 1, 2022 and March 30, 2023. Substantially revised variations of existing models, specifically designed to enhance overall performance characteristics, may be eligible, at the discretion of the organizers.

For a complete list of previous winners in all categories, please visit our [web site](#).

The World Car Awards thanks Brembo for hosting the World Car Finals for the fifth year in a row. “Our heartfelt congratulations to the winners in each category as representatives of automotive excellence. We are honored to be associated with the World Car finals, an event that recognizes and celebrates innovation so meaningfully, and thrilled to be part of a community that shares our values and passion for making a difference,” said **Daniele Schillaci, CEO of Brembo**.

2023 marks the 18th year of the World Car Awards’ partnership with the [New York International Auto Show](#).

“We salute this year’s finalists and are pleased to be part of the most important automotive awards program on the planet,” said **New York Auto Show president, Mark Schienberg**. “For nearly two decades the partnership between World Car and the New York Auto Show has recognized the very best the auto industry has to offer. We’re looking forward to once again co-hosting the awards ceremony during the opening of the 2023 Show in April. Congratulations and best of luck to all the finalists!”

The Road to the World Car Awards is an annual journey that follows 100 of our international jurors as they test-drive, and vote on, the eligible vehicles for the 2023 awards. The jurors’ road-test journey is captured virtually on [World Car TV](#). The jurors provide viewers with reviews and commentary on the awards’ eligible vehicles in the six categories listed above.

The World Car Awards program would not be possible without the support of our official partners: [AITASTIC Research & Consult](#), [BREMBO](#), the [NEW YORK International Auto Show](#), [KPMG](#) and [Newspress](#) – our official media partner. Thank you to our partners.

[PHOTOS](#) are on the [WEB SITE](#)

[VIDEO](#) will be on [World Car TV](#) later today

THE ROAD TO WORLD CAR 2023
Began September 6, 2022

Ended today at the New York International Auto Show #RoadtoNYC

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ABOUT: [World Car Awards](#)

It is the mission of the World Car Awards and its 100+ global jurors to recognize, reward and inspire automotive excellence, leadership and innovation in a rapidly changing automotive industry on a global scale.

To that end we test drive and evaluate new or fully redesigned vehicles that are for sale in multiple markets on more than one continent each year, voting to determine the World Car Design, World Luxury Car, World Performance Car, World Urban Car, World Electric Vehicle and World Car of the Year. Full vehicle eligibility requirements and our annual timeline can be found on our [website](#).

Now in their 19th year, the annual World Car Awards are the number one awards program in the world for the tenth consecutive year in terms of media reach and analysis of forty-seven top global markets.

The awards were inaugurated in 2003, and officially launched in January 2004, to reflect the reality of the global marketplace.

The awards are intended to complement, not compete, with existing national and regional Car of the Year programs.

New York International Auto Show

The New York International Automobile Show, North America’s first and largest-attended auto show, is an amazing combination of new ideas, technological innovation, and nearly 1,000 of the latest new cars and trucks on display. The Show is owned and produced by the Greater New York Automobile Dealers Association each spring in Manhattan.

2023 Auto Show Dates

Press Preview: April 5-6, 2023 (credentials required)

Public Show Date: April 7 – 16, 2023

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