

ART DECO SOCIETY of WASHINGTON

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Washington Modernism Show  
April 29 - 30  
Dulles Expo Center

## MODERNISM SHOW AND SALE

Exposition of 20th Century Decorative Arts

APRIL



29-30

Show Hours: Saturday, 9 AM - 6 PM  
Sunday, 11 AM - 5 PM

Location: North Hall, Dulles Expo Center  
4320 Chantilly Shopping Center  
Chantilly, VA 20151

Questions: 202 - 298 - 1100

# Airstream vs. Avion

## Airstream™ vs. Avion™: The Battle of the Travel Trailers

This year's show offers a side-by-side comparison of the iconic Art Deco Airstream travel trailer, introduced in 1936, and the mid-Century Avion travel trailer, introduced in 1956, on the sales floor.

The competitors-

- An Airstream owned by Joe Valenti of Flower Child Vintage, Cleveland, Ohio. Flower Child Vintage, recently selected by Yahoo as one of the nation's best vintage stores, will exhibit vintage fashions and mid-century furnishings in its premiere Washington appearance.
- A 1967 Avion trailer owned by Jeremy Fair of Chantilly's Fair Auction Company. The Company, which will exhibit mid-century furnishings, conducts frequent online auctions of mid-century furniture and collectibles.

The Airstream "Clipper," an aerodynamically-styled trailer with riveted aluminum body designed by Wallace Byam, was introduced in January 1936. The interior featured a tubular-steel dinette that could convert to a bed, had an enclosed galley, and was fitted with electric lighting.

The competitor, the Avion Travel Trailer, traces its roots to the early 1950s when brothers Robert and Loren Cayo set out to design a travel trailer that would improve on the Airstream. They designed a trailer that could be used with full hookups but could also be self-contained when no hookup was available.

The first Avion trailer was introduced in 1956. It was initially offered in three sizes-20-foot, 23-foot, and 26-foot. The original models used outer aluminum shells that could be polished to a mirror finish. They switched to a satin-finished anodized aluminum finish in 1963 that was more resistant to dents and scratches.

Airstream reportedly filed suit against Avion claiming patent infringement, but was unsuccessful.

Did I mention? **The Avion is for sale!** Just talk to Jeremy Fair at the Expo.

## Expo Fashion Shows Canceled

Plans to hold short fashion shows on the sales floor have been canceled because of limited participation of dealers and lack of interest expressed by ADSW members. Thanks to Lori Crandall for her efforts to pull the fashion shows together.

Among the fashion dealers participating in the Expo and the DC Big Flea are Kat's Caboodle (Booth 773), Bespoke Not Broke (Booth 776), Luna Blue (Booths 196-7), Flower Child Vintage (Booths 787-8), Somewhere in Time (Booths 769-70), Vallie's Vintage Jewellery, and Sweet Memories (Booth 759). Many other dealers, including Try to Remember (Booths 728-729), The Gallery Kathleen (Booths 737-738), Malabar Enterprises (Booth 739), Bizarre Bazaar (Booth 743), Mabel Emile Leitz Gallery (Booth 732), and Neiderkorn Silver (Booth 733) offer jewelry, perfume, and other accessories.

## Fidgety Feet to Perform Sunday

Washington's favorite swing dance troupe--Fidgety Feet-- will give demonstrations at 1 PM and 3 PM. Two couples, Thomas and Tricia Iveson and Bob and Debbie Lew, will perform.



The demonstrations will take place at the rear on the North Hall, between the Airstream and Avion trailers.

## Public Transportation to the Dulles Expo Center

Taking public transportation to the Dulles Expo Center isn't as hard as it seems.

Take Metro's Orange line to Vienna and then take the Fairfax Connector bus (Route 650) to the Chantilly Shopping Center/Dulles Expo Center on Willard Road. The Modernism Show is in the North Hall at the far end of the Expo Center.

The bus runs about every 50 minutes Saturday and Sunday starting at 7:25 AM.

Schedule: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/connector/pdf/schedule/650.pdf>

## Expo Guide to Participating Dealers

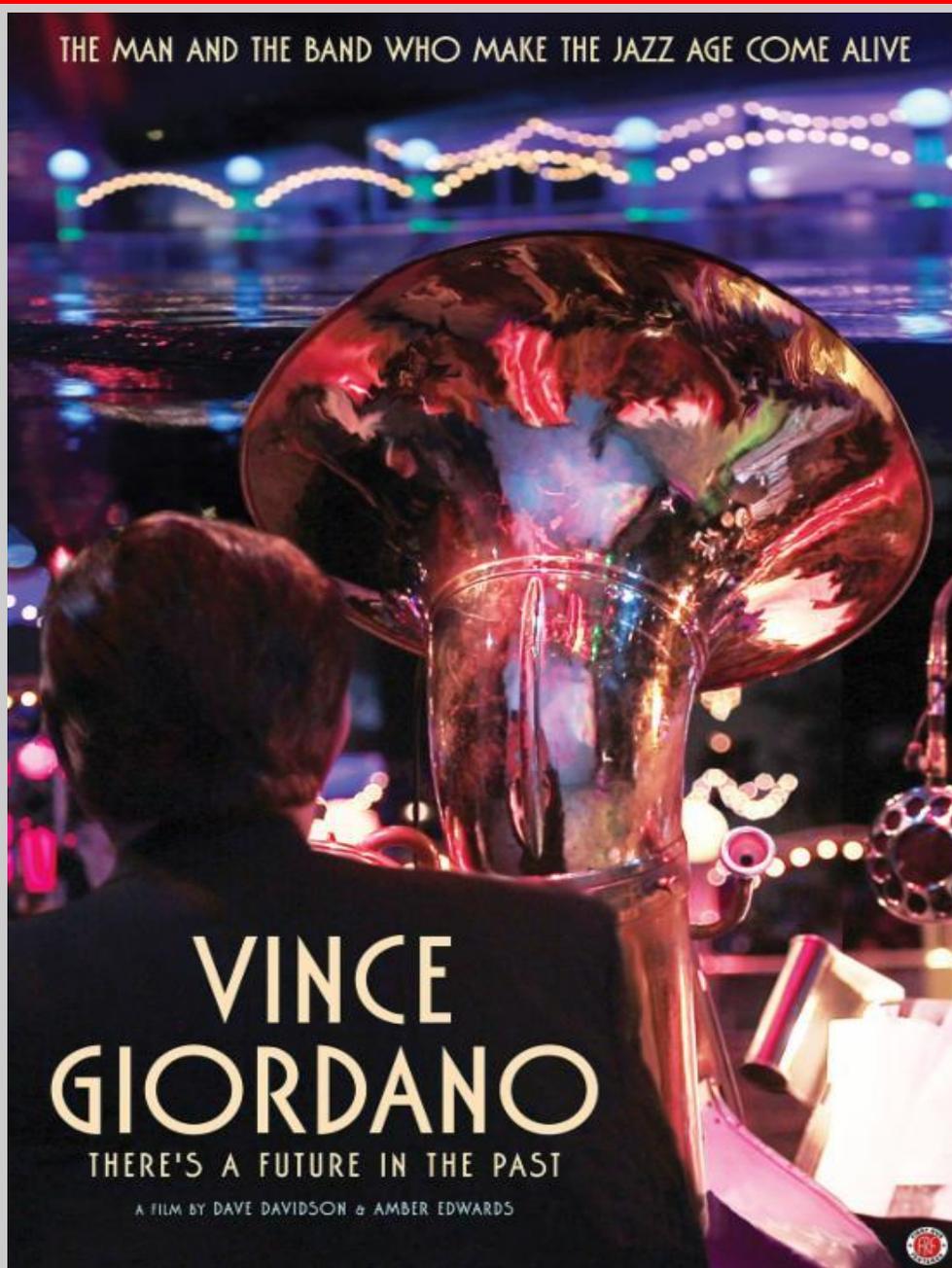
Check out the list of participating dealers in the show [program](#) and support both the dealers and advertisers.

## ADSW Facebook Page Showcases Dealer Items

With the assistance of Mindy Cawley of Vintage Mid-Century Frederick, participating dealers are showcasing some of the special items they plan to sell at the Expo on the ADSW Facebook page.

Among the items featured are an incredible Sparton Nocturne radio. Check out some of the items [Available at the Expo](#) and share them with your friends.

**Tickets on Sale at the Expo! Save \$1**  
**Saturday, June 24, 2017 @3 PM**  
**Vince Giordano Live in Concert!**



ADSW, in partnership with the AFI Silver Theatre and Cultural Center will present a special program June 24th featuring

- A showing of the highly acclaimed new documentary "Vince Giordano: There's a Future in the Past"
- A 30-minute Q/A session with Vince
- A 2-hour performance by Vince Giordano and the Nighthawks

Click to watch the trailer. [There's A Future in the Past](#)

Buy your [tickets online](#) for \$41 or get them at the Expo for \$40 (cash/check only).

I hope to see you at the Expo!

Cheers,

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