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Testimonials



Gas Monkey Garage

Growing up in his dad's paint and body shop, KC Mathieu found the love for painting. At the age of 12, he painted his first car and has been painting on and off ever since. About five years ago he opened KC's Paint Shop in Burleson, Texas. Since opening, his work has been recognized by nationally known car enthusiasts and is now featured on television with Gas Monkey Garage. KC is using the De Beer 500 Solvent Base Series and loves it.

"Well, I think it's kind of interesting, because I think Valspar Automotive paint is underestimated for what it is. The coverage is good, everything works very well together, it's more simple than a lot of lines, the products are user-friendly and the customer service is great. The De Beer 500 Series is awesome so far.

The hardeners and reducers are universal, so you don't have to have shelves and shelves full of stuff to make everything work. The hardeners go along with everything and it's been nice knowing that it's that simple. It's nice that you have the De Beer line and you can move up to the 900+ Water line and there are base products out there that you don't have to pay as much for. Overall, the coverage is good, the clear is like glass and I love the primer."

—KC Mathieu, Painter at Gas Monkey Garage, featured on the Discovery Channel's *Fast N' Loud*



Eckert's Rod & Custom

David Eckert of Eckert's Rod & Custom has been in the field of custom restoration for about 30 years, including the past nine years with Eckert's Rod & Custom. Located in Molalla, Oregon, Eckert's Rod & Custom does custom restorations across the board including concourse and full custom restorations and concept cars. Eckert's Rod & Custom made the switch to Valspar Automotive products, both De Beer and Valspar Refinish, and has been happy with the results ever since. During SEMA 2012, Eckert's Ford Mach 40 Mustang, painted in Valspar Automotive's De Beer 500 Series, walked away with three awards, including the Mothers Shine Award, "Best Hot Rod" and the Gran Turismo "Best in Show" Award, earning a spot in future Gran Turismo video games.

"I like how easy it is to use and apply for one, it's pretty forgiving as far as temperature and climate go. The other thing about it is the cost; it is not the most expensive and it's not the least expensive. It's really on the high end for the price that you're paying. I like the repairability of it and how easy it is to use. The clears are awesome, because the clear is truly crystal clear, which is very important in our line of work as we basically abuse the products. We have been able to do that with Valspar's products and not really have any problems whatsoever, so that makes it very nice. Sometimes you'll have a little wave in the panel and we can actually come along and dump more clear on it to get the car perfectly straight.

I've been using your products for probably eight years now. We've seen the cars after eight years and they look as good as the day they left. There is no shrink back, no funny stuff going on with the paint, so we are absolutely thrilled with that; that's the reason why we insist on using it. The product speaks for itself. If you look at any of the cars that we have done throughout the years, you can look at them now and I can put them up against any other paint that is the same age and same use, and I would think Valspar would run head-to-head with them, if not better."

—David Eckert, Owner of Eckert's Rod & Custom, Molalla, Oregon



Legacy Ford Auto Body

For the past 10 years Brian Forester has worked his way through the collision industry, from painting to management. After taking over as manager of Legacy Ford Auto Body in Pasco, Washington, and switching to De Beer 900 Waterbourne in the last year, the body shop grew 45% and Forester couldn't be happier with the switch.

"When we brought De Beer 900 in, we were the first shop in Washington state spraying the 900 Series. Since we started spraying De Beer, I have had other shops in my region and across the U.S. call and ask about De Beer Waterbourne and transition over to it.

The color match and primers are great, there is no shrinkage, the basecoat covers well and the High Solids Clear is on the money. With the High Solids Clear, there is no dye back. Even on vehicles we did a year ago for repeat customers, our previous work looks like the vehicle just left the shop yesterday. It is easy to use for my entire Legacy Ford team, and I couldn't ask for a better product or support from Valspar. It's a fantastic product all the way around and has been a big part of our growth in the past year. In my opinion, De Beer 900 is the best paint on the market."

— Brian Forester, Manager at Legacy Ford Auto Body, Pasco, Washington



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