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A company called Advanced Automotive Technologies did just that starting in 2003 and continues today. To date Advanced Automotive Technologies have made over 150 1953-2003 Commemorative Edition Corvettes.

The 1953-2003 Commemorative Edition Corvettes combines the retro styling of the original 1953 Corvette with the modern power and comforts of today's Corvette. See images of this cool Corvette below.

<http://www.aatcars.com/home.html>

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And that's what they did. Magna Steyr, the original owners of the design, commissioned a showcar prototype with an eye toward having GM adopt it as "THE" 50th Anniversary Edition Corvette. GM decided on a more conservative strategy (see photo above) and Magna-Steyr abandoned the idea. Steve Pasteiner's company, [Advanced Automotive Technologies](#), purchased the rights to produce a limited edition series of this fantastic vehicle.

These beautiful 1953-2003 Commemorative Edition Corvettes are built based on a customer provided Chevrolet Corvette C5 convertible. All new body panels are installed by Advanced Automotive Technologies using the same attachment locations as production panels. With these 1953-2003 Commemorative Edition Corvettes there are no structural modifications and all safety related items remain intact.

Advanced Automotive Technologies is proud to announce the limited production of the 1953/2003 Commemorative Edition. Our 1953/2003 Commemorative Edition combines the retro styling of the original 1953 Corvette with the modern power and comforts of today's Corvette.

By blending the classic styling of the 1950's with performance, comfort, and technology of the 21st century, the 1953-2003 Commemorative Edition offers the best of both eras.

Advanced Automotive Technologies built the original show car and was a major contributor to the design. It is not an officially endorsed vehicle by General Motors.

The vehicle is based on a customer provided Chevrolet Corvette C5 convertible but could also be converted using a Corvette Hardtop (not hatchback). All new body panels are installed using the same attachment locations as production panels. A small recess cut into the rear trunk inner fiberglass to clearance the new deck lid contours is the only modification to production vehicle. There are no structural modifications. All safety related items remain intact.

Production of the 1953-2003 Commemorative Edition has begun, and to date we have delivered 155 vehicles.

More information and pictures are available at www.50thcommemorative.com
This is a web site that Chaz Cone, owner of CEC #11 has begun and shows where each vehicle has been shipped and many stories and pictures from each owner.

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