

Smithsonian shows 100 years of electric car's past

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(AP) -- The history of electric cars is going on display at the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History with two "electrifying cars" from the early 20th century.

A 1904 Columbia electric runabout went on display Thursday with a 1913 Ford Model T touring car. The cars and other objects, including a [battery charger](#) for General Motors' EV1 electric car from the 1990s, are on view through January.

The Columbia was the best-selling U.S. car at the turn of the century, while the Model T was a gasoline car equipped with an electric starter and electric headlights.

A rare EV1 was displayed in the past. It was pulled from view in 2006, weeks before the movie "Who Killed the Electric Car?"

Last year, [electric cars](#) were reintroduced to the market.

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