

PERFORMANCE BICYCLE OPENS NEW RALEIGH STORE WITH 'BIKE TUBE BLOW-OUT

Performance opens fifth North Carolina store in Raleigh; bike tube recycling drive seeks to save tons of rubber from local landfills

Chapel Hill – June 8, 2010 — Performance Bicycle, the country's largest specialty bike shop, is set to open a new store in Raleigh, its fifth store in North Carolina, with a bike tube recycling drive to make the city a little greener.

This weekend, from June 11 to June 13, Performance (www.performancebike.com) will celebrate the grand opening of its new location in Raleigh with the Bike Tube Blow-Out, a recycling program sponsored by Performance and Liberty Tire, the largest scrap tire recycler in the country. During the weekend, anyone can bring their used or blown-out inner tubes to the store and receive up to three \$5 money cards for each tube they recycle. The new Performance Bicycle is located at 6325 Falls of Neuse Road in the Sutton Square Shopping Center.

"We are absolutely committed to giving our hometown market the best bike shops around. Our Raleigh store joins our Chapel Hill and Cary stores in offering up a fun and friendly environment where bikers of every background can find what they need," said Jim Thompson, chief executive officer of Performance, Inc. "We want to see more people in Raleigh make cycling an everyday part of their lives and we are working hard to make Performance Bicycle the premier retail destination for avid cyclists, aspiring riders, and everyone who loves bikes as much as we do."

Performance designed its new Raleigh store to appeal to everyone from dedicated road bike racers to the casual or beginning rider. The store's [Spin Doctor](#)™ service department serves as a helpful guide for anyone interested in getting the most out of their bike—or getting back on one.

"Our goal at Performance is to demystify cycling," added Thompson. "The new Raleigh store is designed to make cycling retail fun and easy to understand. We are eager to be involved in a movement to help people discover or rediscover the thrill of riding a bike."

Thompson added that Performance makes it easy to:

- **Choose the right bike** – Every bike is clearly defined and placed into one of five major categories: Road, Mountain, Women, Path & Pavement and Kids.
- **Get fast, expert service with Spin Doctors™** – Performance's trained team of bike experts helps customers choose the right equipment and provides fast, reliable service.
- **Find top cycling brands at a great price** – Performance offers world-renowned brands such as Fuji, Pearl Izumi, Louis Garneau, GT and Shimano.
- **Get wide apparel and gear selection** – Performance sells more cycling shorts than any other bike retailer in the world; guests can choose from a wide range of apparel and accessories.

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Performance backs up every sale with a 100 percent satisfaction guarantee and 90-day Low Price Promise, including free lifetime adjustments. The [Kids Bike](#) Growth Guarantee allows families to trade up and get discounts on new bikes as children grow. Guests also can join the Team Performance® Buyer's Club, cycling's number one buyer's club, to get ten percent back on every purchase, free second-day shipping upgrades, and other exclusive offers.

Performance Bicycle offers three great ways to shop—by store, by catalog and online at PerformanceBike.com.

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CHECKLIST; RIDING SAFELY; AND BASIC EQUIPMENT GUIDE**

About Performance Bicycle

Performance Bicycle is the number one multi-channel bike specialty retailer in the U.S. and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Performance Inc. Performance provides a multi-channel cycling retail experience that spans catalogs, a website at www.performancebike.com and 86 nationwide stores that cater to both the avid biking enthusiast and the recreational rider. Performance Inc. is majority owned by North Castle Partners of Greenwich, Connecticut. For more information about Performance Bicycle, please visit www.performancebike.com.

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