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## Life-size LEGO® Honda Civic Type R Makes Its Debut

- The LEGO® Civic Type R is an exact scale replica of the multi award-winning Honda hot hatch
- The LEGO® car took over 1,300 hours and a crew of nine to hand-build
- Over 320,000 LEGO® bricks were used in construction
- The LEGO® car rivals the weight of the actual Civic Type R at just over 1,300kg
- The LEGO® car has functioning lights including brake, fog and headlights operated by an iPad

**MELBOURNE, 24 April 2019** – One of the most iconic cars in the current Honda lineup, the Civic Type R, has been transformed into a life-size LEGO® model ahead of the much anticipated ‘LEGO® MASTERS’ show airing on Channel Nine from 28<sup>th</sup> April.

The passionate team behind the creation, led by global expert Ryan McNaught – LEGO® Certified Professional – used more than 320,000 LEGO® bricks in the build and took over 1,300 hours with a team of nine assembling each brick by hand.

Mr. McNaught expressed some exciting but technical challenges in building the Type R due to the unique shape and design of the vehicle – elements that attract award recognition worldwide.



“We’ve loved the challenge of this project. The car is shaped with a considerable amount of curved lines, making it a tough but interesting build. From the working lights and indicators to intricate LEGO® Honda logos, the detail on the model has been a fun one for us to work on”, said Mr. McNaught.

A steel frame supports the structure of LEGO® bricks, all glued together and is built completely by stock standard pieces. The car ‘comes to life’ with the help of an iPad which turns on the headlights, DRLs, fog lights, hazard lights, brake and reversing lights.

The LEGO® car was built from the ground up, layer by layer. The most challenging elements of the build were the window wipers due to their fragility, and the back spoiler which needed structure to allow it to float.

The impressive build celebrates Honda’s support of the upcoming show *LEGO® MASTERS*, which will see eight pairs of LEGO® fanatics fight it out in a high intensity building competition. McNaught will judge the show alongside Australian radio and TV personality, Hamish Blake, as host.

Honda Australia Director, Mr. Stephen Collins said, “Honda is a company that is all about creativity and innovation so it’s great to support a family show that mirrors these ideals so well. Through *LEGO® MASTERS* we’ll see some of the dreams of the contestants, and also fans, come to life – we’re proud to be helping drive that.”

The multi award-winning Civic Type R was the ideal choice of the Honda Australia range to build due to its challenging lines which lends themselves to one of the most rewarding driving experiences in the hot hatch segment.

The LEGO® Civic Type R will be making appearances across Australia over the coming months.

For more information and additional content, please visit the *LEGO® MASTERS* page on Honda Australia’s website [here](#).

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**Notes to Editor****About LEGO® MASTERS**

Australia's best LEGO® builders will battle it out in *LEGO® MASTERS* - the brand new blockbuster series that is unlike anything ever seen on Australian TV. Eight pairs of passionate creators will be let loose on The Brick Pit, where 2.5 million LEGO® bricks await, ready to build mind-blowing models and masterpieces that must be seen to be believed.